# 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): September 29, 2019

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

#### **Spin-Off and Related Agreements**

On October 1, 2019 (the "<u>Distribution Date</u>"), Nuance Communications, Inc. ("<u>Nuance</u>") completed the previously announced complete legal and structural separation and distribution to its stockholders of all of the outstanding shares of Cerence Inc. ("<u>Cerence</u>" and, together with its consolidated subsidiaries, "<u>we</u>," "<u>us</u>," "<u>our</u>" or the "<u>Company</u>") in a tax free spin-off (the "<u>Spin-Off</u>"). The distribution was made in the amount of one share of the Company's common stock for every eight shares of Nuance common stock (the "<u>Distribution</u>") owned by Nuance's stockholders as of 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on September 17, 2019, the record date of the Distribution.

On September 30, 2019, in connection with the Spin-Off, the Company entered into several agreements with Nuance that set forth the principal actions taken or to be taken in connection with the Spin-Off and that govern the relationship of the parties following the Spin-Off, including the following:

- a Separation and Distribution Agreement;
- a Tax Matters Agreement;
- a Transition Services Agreement;
- an Employee Matters Agreement;
- an Intellectual Property Agreement; and
- a Transitional Trademark License Agreement.

The descriptions included below of the Separation and Distribution Agreement, Tax Matters Agreement, Transition Services Agreement, Employee Matters Agreement, Intellectual Property Agreement and Transitional Trademark License Agreement do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the full text of such Separation and Distribution Agreement, Tax Matters Agreement, Transition Services Agreement, Employee Matters Agreement, Intellectual Property Agreement and Transitional Trademark License Agreement, respectively, which are attached as Exhibits 2.1, 10.1, 10.2, 10.3, 10.4 and 10.5, respectively, to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

# **Separation and Distribution Agreement**

We entered into a Separation and Distribution Agreement with Nuance in advance of the Distribution. The Separation and Distribution Agreement sets forth our agreements with Nuance regarding the principal actions to be taken in connection with the Spin-Off. It also sets forth other agreements that govern aspects of our relationship with Nuance following the Spin-Off.

# Transfer of Assets and Assumption of Liabilities

The Separation and Distribution Agreement identifies certain transfers of assets and assumptions of liabilities that were necessary in advance of our separation from Nuance so that we and Nuance retain the assets of, and the liabilities associated with, our respective businesses. The Separation and Distribution Agreement generally provides that the assets comprising our business consist of those primarily related to our current business and operations (except for intellectual property assets, which are allocated to provide us with intellectual property rights with respect to technologies exclusively used by Nuance's automotive business, and those intellectual property rights for which the development, enhancement and maintenance has historically been conducted by Nuance's automotive business). The liabilities we assumed in connection with the Spin-Off generally consist of those related to the past and future operations of our business, including our locations used in our current operations. The Separation and Distribution Agreement also provides for the settlement or extinguishment of certain liabilities and other obligations between us and Nuance.

#### Reorganization Transactions

The Separation and Distribution Agreement describes certain actions related to our separation from Nuance that occurred prior to the Distribution. As part of the internal restructuring actions taken by us and Nuance, the following transactions occurred: (i) pursuant to a series of internal transfers to certain foreign subsidiaries that are now held under a Netherlands holding company, the non-U.S. assets and operations relating to our business were separated from the other non-U.S. assets and operations of Nuance, and the Netherlands holding company was in turn distributed to Nuance in an internal spin-off, (ii) the U.S. assets and operations of our business was contributed to a new U.S. holding company, (iii) employees relating to our business that were previously employed by Nuance subsidiaries that did not become subsidiaries of Cerence became employees of the appropriate Cerence subsidiaries, (iv) both of the new holding companies were contributed to Cerence, and (v) on the Distribution Date prior to the Distribution, Cerence incurred indebtedness and distributed the proceeds to Nuance.

#### **Intercompany Arrangements**

All agreements, arrangements, commitments and understandings, including most intercompany accounts payable or accounts receivable, between us, on the one hand, and Nuance, on the other hand, terminated and/or were repaid effective as of the Distribution Date or shortly thereafter, except specified agreements and arrangements that are intended to survive the Distribution.

# Credit Support

We agreed to use reasonable best efforts to arrange, prior to the Distribution, for the replacement of all guarantees, covenants, indemnities, surety bonds, letters of credit or similar assurances of credit support, other than certain specified credit support instruments, currently provided by or through Nuance or any of its subsidiaries for the benefit of us or any of our subsidiaries.

#### Representations and Warranties

In general, neither we nor Nuance made any representations or warranties regarding any assets or liabilities transferred or assumed, any consents or approvals that may be required in connection with these transfers or assumptions, the value or freedom from any lien or other security interest of any assets transferred, the absence of any defenses relating to any claim of either party or the legal sufficiency of any conveyance documents. Except as expressly set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement, all assets have been transferred on an "as-is," "where-is" basis.

#### Further Assurances

The parties will use reasonable best efforts to effect any transfers contemplated by the Separation and Distribution Agreement that have not been consummated prior to the Distribution as promptly as practicable following the Distribution Date. In addition, the parties will use reasonable best efforts to effect any transfer or re-transfer of any asset or liability that was improperly transferred or retained as promptly as practicable following the Distribution.

# The Distribution

The Separation and Distribution Agreement governs Nuance's and our respective rights and obligations regarding the proposed Distribution. Prior to the Distribution, Nuance delivered all of the issued and outstanding shares of our common stock held by Nuance to the distribution agent. Following the Distribution Date, the distribution agent will electronically deliver all of the shares of our common stock previously held by Nuance to Nuance stockholders based on the distribution ratio. The Nuance board of directors, in its sole and absolute discretion, determined the record date, the Distribution Date and the terms of the Spin-Off. In addition, Nuance could have, at any time until the Distribution, decided to abandon the Distribution or modify or change the terms of the Distribution.

#### Conditions

The Separation and Distribution Agreement also provided that several conditions must be satisfied or, to the extent permitted by law, waived by Nuance, in its sole and absolute discretion, before the Distribution could occur.

#### **Exchange** of Information

We and Nuance agreed to provide each other with information reasonably necessary to comply with reporting, disclosure, filing or other requirements of any national securities exchange or governmental authority, for use in judicial, regulatory, administrative and other proceedings and to satisfy audit, accounting, litigation and other similar requests. We and Nuance also agreed to use reasonable best efforts to retain such information in accordance with our respective record retention policies as in effect on the date of the Separation and Distribution Agreement. Each party also agreed to use its reasonable best efforts to assist the other with its financial reporting and audit obligations.

#### **Termination**

The Nuance board of directors, in its sole and absolute discretion, could have terminated the Separation and Distribution Agreement at any time prior to the Distribution.

# Release of Claims

We and Nuance each agreed to release the other and its affiliates, successors and assigns, and all persons that prior to the Distribution have been the other's stockholders, directors, officers, members, agents and employees, and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, from any claims against any of them that arise out of or relate to events, circumstances or actions occurring or failing to occur or any conditions existing at or prior to the time of the Distribution. These releases are subject to exceptions set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.

# Indemnification

We and Nuance will each agree to indemnify the other and each of the other's current, former and future directors, officers and employees, and each of the heirs, administrators, executors, successors and assigns of any of them, against certain liabilities incurred in connection with the Spin-Off and our and Nuance's respective businesses. The amount of either Nuance's or our indemnification obligations will be reduced by any insurance proceeds the party being indemnified receives. The Separation and Distribution Agreement also specifies procedures regarding claims subject to indemnification.

# **Tax Matters Agreement**

We entered into a Tax Matters Agreement with Nuance that governs the respective rights, responsibilities and obligations of Nuance and us after the Distribution with respect to all tax matters (including tax liabilities, tax attributes, tax returns and tax contests).

The Tax Matters Agreement generally provides that we are responsible and will indemnify Nuance for all taxes, including income taxes, sales taxes, VAT and payroll taxes, relating to our business for all periods following the Distribution; and Nuance is responsible and will indemnify us for all taxes relating to our business for all periods preceding the Distribution. In addition, the Tax Matters Agreement addresses the allocation of liability for taxes that were incurred as a result of restructuring activities

undertaken to effectuate the Spin-Off. Nuance has the right to control any audit or contest relating to any taxes with respect to all periods prior to the Distribution, but we have the right to review and comment on Nuance's conduct of any such audit or contest, to the extent that we could be liable for taxes under the Tax Matters Agreement as a result of such audit or contest.

In addition, the Tax Matters Agreement provides that we are required to indemnify Nuance for any taxes (and reasonable expenses) resulting from the failure of the Spin-Off and related internal transactions to qualify for their intended tax treatment under U.S. federal, state and local income tax law, as well as foreign tax law, where such taxes result from (a) breaches of covenants and representations we made and agreed to in connection with the Spin-Off, (b) the application of certain provisions of U.S. federal income tax law to the these transactions or (c) any other action or omission (other than actions expressly required or permitted by the Separation and Distribution Agreement, the Tax Matters Agreement or other ancillary agreements) we take after the Distribution that gives rise to these taxes. Nuance has the exclusive right to control the conduct of any audit or contest relating to these taxes, but we have the right to review and comment on Nuance's conduct of any such audit or contest, to the extent that we could be liable for taxes under the Tax Matters Agreement as a result of such audit or contest.

The Tax Matters Agreement imposes certain restrictions on us and our subsidiaries (including restrictions on share issuances, redemptions or repurchases, business combinations, sales of assets and similar transactions) that are designed to address compliance with Section 355 and related provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and are intended to preserve the tax-free nature of the Spin-Off. Under the Tax Matters Agreement, these restrictions apply for two years following the Distribution, unless we or Nuance obtain a private letter ruling from the IRS or an opinion of counsel, in each case acceptable to Nuance in its reasonable discretion, that the restricted action would not impact the non-recognition treatment of the Spin-Off, or unless Nuance otherwise gives its consent for us to take a restricted action. Even if we do obtain such a private letter ruling or opinion, or Nuance does otherwise consent to our taking an otherwise restricted action, we will remain liable to indemnify Nuance in the event such restricted action gives rise to an otherwise indemnifiable liability. These restrictions may limit our ability to pursue strategic transactions or engage in new businesses or other transactions that may maximize the value of our business, and might discourage or delay a strategic transaction that our stockholders may consider favorable.

# **Transition Services Agreement**

We entered into a Transition Services Agreement pursuant to which Nuance will provide us, and we will provide Nuance, with certain specified services for a limited time to help ensure an orderly transition following the Distribution. For a limited time after the Spin-Off, we may request that additional services in the same functional categories as the specified services be provided by Nuance to us so long as such additional services were provided historically by Nuance to our business. The services are generally intended to be provided for a period no longer than twelve months following the Distribution, with a possibility to extend the term of each service up to an additional twelve months. Each party may terminate the agreement in its entirety in the event of a material breach of the agreement by the other party that is not cured within a specified time period. Each recipient party may also terminate the services on an individual basis upon prior written notice to the party providing the service.

The service recipient is required to pay to the service provider a fee equal to the cost of service specified for each service, which is billed on a monthly basis.

We agreed to indemnify and hold Nuance harmless from any damages to the extent arising out of Nuance's provision of the services unless such damages are the result of Nuance's gross negligence, willful misconduct, breach of the agreement or violation of law in providing services. Additionally, Nuance's liability is generally subject to a cap in the amount of fees actually received by Nuance from us in connection with the provision of the services. We also generally indemnify Nuance for all liabilities to the extent arising out of Nuance's provision of the services unless such liabilities are the result of Nuance's gross negligence, willful misconduct, breach of the agreement or violation of law in providing services, in which case, Nuance indemnifies us for such liabilities. These indemnification and liability terms are customary for agreements of this type.

Given the short-term nature of the Transition Services Agreement, we are in the process of increasing our internal capabilities to eliminate reliance on Nuance for the transition services it will provide us as quickly as possible following the Spin-Off.

# **Employee Matters Agreement**

We entered into an Employee Matters Agreement with Nuance that addresses employment and employee compensation and benefits matters. The Employee Matters Agreement addresses the allocation and treatment of assets and liabilities relating to employees and compensation and benefit plans and programs in which our employees participated prior to the Spin-Off. Except as specifically provided in the Employee Matters Agreement, we are generally responsible for all employment and employee compensation and benefits-related liabilities relating to our employees, former employees and other service providers. In particular, we assumed certain assets and liabilities with respect to our current and former employees under certain of Nuance's U.S. and non-U.S. defined benefit pension plans (with assets and liabilities allocated based on formulas specified in the Employee Matters Agreement for each pension plan). Generally, except as may be provided in the Transition Services Agreement, each of our employees cease active participation in Nuance compensation and benefit plans as of the Spin-Off. The Employee Matters Agreement also provides that we establish certain compensation and benefit plans for the benefit of our employees following the Spin-Off, including a 401(k) savings plan, which accepts direct rollovers of account balances from the Nuance 401(k) savings plan for any of our employees who elect to do so. Generally, following the Spin-Off, we assume and are responsible for any annual bonus payments, including with respect to the year in which the Spin-Off occurs, and any other cash-based incentive or retention awards to our current and former employees. Nuance long-term incentive compensation awards, including stock options and restricted stock units, held by Cerence employees are treated as described in "Executive and Director Compensation—Equity Plan" in Amendment No. 1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 10 (File No. 001-39030), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on September 4, 2019 (the "Form 10"). The Employee Matters Agreement incorporates the indemnification provisions contained in the Separation and Distribution Agreement and described above. In addition, the Employee Matters Agreement provides that we indemnify Nuance for certain employee-related liabilities associated with the Transition Services Agreement.

# **Intellectual Property Agreement**

We entered into an Intellectual Property Agreement with Nuance, pursuant to which we granted to Nuance, and Nuance granted to us, perpetual, non-exclusive, royalty-free licenses to certain patents and technology, as well as certain other intellectual property that have historically been shared between us and Nuance. The intellectual property licensed to us under the Intellectual Property Agreement includes patents, software and technologies that have generally been more significant to the business of Nuance, but are used in our business following the Spin-Off, and are technologies in the general areas of automatic speech recognition and natural language understanding.

The patent and technology licenses are generally limited to the respective licensee's defined field of use, and after the fifth anniversary of the Spin-Off, the technology licenses will extend to all fields. The field of use for intellectual property licensed from Nuance to Cerence is generally for the automotive industry and certain ancillary fields, including (i) providing customer service and call center solutions to vehicle manufacturers and transportation service providers and (ii) providing certain internet of things devices for the greater China market (excluding the healthcare and enterprise solutions markets). The field of use for intellectual property licensed from Cerence to Nuance is generally for industries other than the automotive industry. The Intellectual Property Agreement also provides arrangements for each of us and Nuance to utilize certain data used by both us and Nuance. In addition, we agreed not to challenge Nuance's rights in its existing intellectual property rights or act to impair such intellectual property rights, and Nuance agreed not to challenge our rights in our existing intellectual property rights or act to impair such intellectual property rights. The non-exclusive license to us will generally be transferable with any sale or transfer of an entity or line of business of Nuance that utilizes our intellectual property.

The Intellectual Property Agreement also contains certain provisions relating to the recordation of the transfers of intellectual property rights set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.

# Transitional Trademark License Agreement

We entered into a Transitional Trademark License Agreement with Nuance, pursuant to which Nuance granted us a non-exclusive, royalty free license to continue using certain of Nuance's trademarks, trade names and service marks with respect to the "Nuance" and "Dragon" brands in connection with the sale, marketing and other commercialization of our products and services. The term of the licenses generally do not exceed six months. The Transitional Trademark License Agreement also provides that we use commercially reasonable efforts to cease using the licensed trademarks as soon as reasonably practicable. The license to us is generally transferable with any sale or transfer of an entity or line of business of ours that utilizes Nuance's trademarks.

#### Senior Credit Facilities

Also in connection with the Spin-Off, on October 1, 2019 (the "<u>Financing Closing Date</u>"), the Company entered into a Credit Agreement, by and among the Company (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the lenders and issuing banks party thereto and Barclays Bank PLC, as administrative agent (the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"), which provides for senior secured financing of \$345.0 million, consisting of:

- a five-year senior secured term loan facility in an aggregate principal amount of \$270.0 million (the "Term Loan Facility"); and
- a 54-month senior secured first-lien revolving credit facility in an aggregate principal amount of \$75.0 million (the "Revolving Facility" and, together with the Term Loan Facilities, the "Senior Credit Facilities").

Up to the equivalent of \$15.0 million may be utilized under the Revolving Facility for the issuance of letters of credit to the Borrower or any of its subsidiaries. Letters of credit are available for issuance under the Credit Agreement on terms and conditions customary for financings of this kind, which issuances will reduce availability under the Revolving Facility.

The Borrower borrowed an aggregate amount of \$270.0 million under the Term Loan Facility on the Financing Closing Date. The letters of credit and Revolving Facility are available for working capital and other general corporate purposes from time to time after the Financing Closing Date prior to the final maturity of the Revolving Facility. No amounts were drawn under the Revolving Facility at the time of the Spin-Off.

# Use of Proceeds

In connection with the consummation of the Spin-Off, the Borrower transferred approximately \$153 million of the net proceeds of the Term Loan Facility to Nuance and paid fees and expenses in connection with the transactions, after which Cerence will have approximately \$110.0 million left on its balance sheet.

#### **Guarantees and Security**

The Borrower's obligations under the Credit Agreement are jointly and severally guaranteed by certain of its direct and indirect wholly owned domestic subsidiaries (the "Guarantors") that entered into a subsidiary guarantee agreement (the "Subsidiary Guarantee Agreement") with Barclays Bank PLC, as administrative agent. The Borrower and the Guarantors also entered into a collateral agreement (the "Collateral Agreement") with Barclays Bank PLC, as collateral agent. Pursuant to the Collateral Agreement, all obligations of the Borrower and the Guarantors are secured by substantially all tangible and intangible personal property and material real property of the Borrower and Guarantors, including a perfected first-priority pledge of all (or, in the case of foreign subsidiaries or subsidiaries ("FSHCO") that own no material assets other than equity interests in foreign subsidiaries that are "controlled foreign corporations" or other FSHCOs, 65%) of the equity securities of each subsidiary of the Borrower held by any loan party, subject to certain customary exceptions and limitations.

#### Maturity

The Revolving Facility matures 54 months after the Financing Closing Date, with certain extension rights in the discretion of each lender. The Term Loan Facility matures five years after the Financing Closing Date, with certain extension rights in the discretion of each lender.

# **Interest Rate and Fees**

The Senior Credit Facilities are subject to an interest rate, at the option of the Borrower, of either (a) base rate determined by reference to the highest of (1) the rate of interest last quoted by The Wall Street Journal as the "prime rate" in the United States, (2) the federal funds effective rate, plus 0.5% and (3) the one month adjusted LIBOR rate, plus 1% per annum ("ABR") or (b) an adjusted LIBOR rate ("LIBOR") (which shall not be less than 1% per annum), in each case, plus an applicable margin. The applicable margins for the Senior Credit Facilities are 6.00% per annum (for LIBOR loans) and 5.00% per annum (for ABR loans). Accordingly, the interest rates for the Senior Credit Facilities will fluctuate during the term of the Credit Agreement based on changes in the ABR or LIBOR. Interest payments with respect to the Senior Credit Facilities are required either on a quarterly basis (for ABR loans) or at the end of each interest period (for LIBOR loans) or, if the duration of the applicable interest period exceeds three months, then every three months.

In addition to paying interest on outstanding borrowings under the Revolving Facility, we are required to pay a quarterly commitment fee based on the unused portion of the Revolving Facility.

We are obligated to make quarterly principal payments in an aggregate annual amount equal to 3.5% of the original principal amount of the Term Loan Facility during the first two years of the Term Loan Facility, and 10% of the original principal amount of the Term Loan Facility thereafter, with the balance payable at the maturity date thereof. Such amortization payments may be reduced from time to time in accordance with the terms of the Credit Agreement as a result of the application of loan prepayments made by us, if any, prior to the scheduled date of payment thereof.

#### **Prepayments**

The Borrower may voluntarily prepay borrowings under the Credit Agreement without premium or penalty, subject to a 1.00% prepayment premium in connection with any repricing transaction with respect to the Term Loan Facility in the first six months after the effective date of the Credit Agreement and customary "breakage" costs with respect to LIBOR loans. The Borrower may also reduce the commitments under the Revolving Facility, in whole or in part, in each case, subject to certain minimum amounts and increments.

The Credit Agreement also contains certain mandatory prepayment provisions in the event that we incur certain types of indebtedness, receive net cash proceeds from certain non-ordinary course asset sales or other dispositions of property or generate excess cash flow, starting with the fiscal year ending on September 30, 2020, 75% of excess cash flow on an annual basis (with step-downs to 50%, 25% and 0% subject to compliance with certain net first lien leverage ratios), in each case subject to terms and conditions customary for financings of this kind.

#### Representations and Warranties

The Credit Agreement contains certain representations and warranties (subject to certain agreed qualifications), including, among others, (i) status, binding obligations, non-conflict with other obligations, power and authority, validity and enforceability and ranking, (ii) no insolvency, taxation and no litigation, (iii) financial statements and financial information, (iv) property ownership, (v) investment company status, (vi) security interests, (vii) government approvals, (viii) environmental matters and (ix) compliance with sanctions and anti-corruption laws.

#### **Certain Covenants**

The Credit Agreement contains certain affirmative and negative covenants customary for financings of this type that, among other things, limit the Borrower and the Borrower's subsidiaries' ability to incur additional indebtedness or liens, to dispose of assets, to make certain fundamental changes, enter into restrictive agreements, to designate subsidiaries as unrestricted, to make certain investments, loans, advances, guarantees and acquisitions to prepay certain indebtedness and to pay dividends, to make other distributions or redemptions/repurchases, in respect of the Borrower and the Borrower's subsidiaries' equity interests, to engage in transactions with affiliates or to amend certain material documents.

In addition, the Credit Agreement contains a financial covenant requiring the maintenance of a net first lien leverage ratio of not greater than 6.00 to 1.00.

# **Events of Default**

The Credit Agreement contains customary events of default, including with respect to a failure to make payments under the Senior Credit Facilities, cross-default, certain bankruptcy and insolvency events and customary change of control events.

The foregoing descriptions of the Credit Agreement, the Subsidiary Guarantee Agreement and the Collateral Agreement do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the full text of such agreements, which are attached as Exhibits 10.6, 10.7 and 10.8, respectively, to this Current Report on Form 8-K and 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 set forth under Item 1.01 above is incorporated into this Item 2.03 by reference.

# Item 3.02. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities.

In connection with Nuance's series of internal reorganization transactions, pursuant to which, among other transactions, we now hold, directly or through our subsidiaries, Nuance's automotive technology business, on September 29, 2019 we issued 33,269,740 shares of our common stock, and on September 30, 2019 we issued 2,470,969 shares of our common stock, in each case, in a transaction exempt from registration pursuant to Section 4(a) (2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, to Nuance, in exchange for the contribution to us by Nuance of certain of its subsidiaries.

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

The information set forth under Item 5.03 below is incorporated into this Item 3.03 by reference.

# Item 5.01. Changes in Control of Registrant.

The information set forth under Item 1.01 above is incorporated into this Item 5.01 by reference.

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

As previously reported in the Company's Information Statement filed as Exhibit 99.1 to the Form 10 (the "<u>Information Statement</u>"), on or prior to October 1, 2019, the persons set forth in the table below assumed their positions as directors on the Company's Board of Directors (our "<u>Board</u>"). Also on or prior to October 1, 2019, Kristi Ann Matus (Chair), Sanjay Jha and Alfred Nietzel assumed positions as members of the Audit Committee; Sanjay Jha (Chair), Marianne Budnik and Thomas Beaudoin assumed positions as members of the Compensation Committee; and Arun Sarin (Chair), Marianne Budnik and Alfred Nietzel assumed positions as members of the Nominating and Governance Committee. Each director will hold office until a successor is elected and qualified or until the director's death, resignation or removal.

Name	Age	Committee Appointment
Thomas Beaudoin	65	Compensation Committee
Marianne Budnik	50	Compensation Committee and Nominating and Governance Committee
Sanjay Dhawan	55	N/A
Sanjay Jha	57	Audit Committee and Compensation Committee
Kristi Ann Matus	51	Audit Committee
Alfred Nietzel	57	Audit Committee and Nominating and Governance Committee
Arun Sarin	64	Nominating and Governance Committee

As previously reported in the Information Statement, effective on October 1, 2019, the following persons were appointed to the offices of the Company set forth beside each person's name:

Name	Age	Position(s)
Sanjay Dhawan	55	Chief Executive Officer
Leanne Fitzgerald	54	General Counsel
Mark Gallenberger	55	Chief Financial Officer
Stefan Ortmanns	56	Executive Vice President

Information regarding the background of each other directors and executive officer of the Company is included in the Information Statement under the caption "Management," of which pertinent pages 100 through 102 are included as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and are deemed incorporated herein by reference.

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

In connection with the Distribution, on September 30, 2019, the Company filed an Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation ("Charter") with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, which became effective on October 1, 2019. The Amended and Restated By-laws of the Company (the "By-Laws") also became effective on October 1, 2019. The Charter and By-Laws were previously approved by our Board and Consolidated Mobile Corporation ("Consolidated Mobile"), a previously wholly owned subsidiary of Nuance, in its capacity as sole stockholder of the Company.

A summary of the material provisions of the Charter and By-Laws can be found in the section titled "Description of Our Capital Stock" of the Information Statement, of which pertinent pages 119 through 123 are included as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and are deemed incorporated herein by reference. This summary does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Charter and By-laws, incorporated by reference to Exhibits 3.1 and 3.2 of this Current Report on Form 8-K, and incorporated herein by reference.

# Item 8.01. Other Events.

On October 1, 2019, the Company issued a press release announcing the completion of the Spin-Off from Nuance and the beginning of regular-way trading of the Company's common stock on the Nasdaq Global Select Market. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.3 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

# Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

# (d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
2.1	Separation and Distribution Agreement, dated September 30, 2019, between Nuance Communications, Inc. and Cerence Inc.
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation.
3.2	Amended and Restated By-laws.
10.1	Tax Matters Agreement, dated as of September 30, 2019, between Nuance Communications, Inc. and Cerence Inc.
10.2	<u>Transition Services Agreement, dated as of September 30, 2019, between Nuance Communications, Inc. and Cerence Operating Company.</u>
10.3	Employee Matters Agreement, dated as of September 30, 2019, between Nuance Communications, Inc. and Cerence Inc.
10.4	Intellectual Property Agreement, dated as of September 30, 2019, between Nuance Communications, Inc. and Cerence Inc.
10.5	Transitional Trademark License Agreement, dated as of September 30, 2019, between Nuance Communications, Inc. and Cerence Inc.
10.6	<u>Credit Agreement, dated as of October 1, 2019, among Cerence Inc., Barclays Bank PLC, as administrative agent, and the other lenders and financial institutions party thereto.</u>
10.7	Subsidiary Guarantee Agreement, dated as of October 1, 2019, among the subsidiaries of Cerence Inc. named therein and Barclays Bank PLC, as administrative agent.
10.8	Collateral Agreement, dated as of October 1, 2019, among Cerence Inc., the subsidiary loan parties thereto and Barclays Bank PLC, as collateral agent.
99.1	Pertinent pages 100 through 102 from Exhibit 99.1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 10, dated and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 4, 2019.
99.2	Pertinent pages 119 through 123 from Exhibit 99.1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 10, dated and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 4, 2019.
99.3	Press Release dated October 1, 2019, issued by the Company.

# **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: October 1, 2019 CERENCE INC.

By: <u>/s/ Leanne Fitzgerald</u>
Name: Leanne Fitzgerald
Title: General Counsel

# SEPARATION AND DISTRIBUTION AGREEMENT

by and between

Nuance Communications, Inc.

and

Cerence Inc.

Dated as of September 30, 2019

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SEPARATION AND DISTRIBUTION AGREEMENT, dated as of September 30, 2019, by and between Nuance Communications, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Nuance</u>"), and Cerence Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>SpinCo</u>"). Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the respective meanings assigned to them in <u>Article I</u>.

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, the board of directors of Nuance has determined that it is in the best interests of Nuance and its stockholders to create a new publicly traded company that will operate the SpinCo Business (as defined below);

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the foregoing, the board of directors of Nuance has determined that it is appropriate and desirable to effect the Separation Transactions (as defined below);

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Separation Step Plan (as defined below) and the terms of this Agreement (as defined below), among other things (i) Nuance will contribute, convey, sell and otherwise transfer (and cause its Subsidiaries to contribute, convey, sell and otherwise transfer) the SpinCo Assets (as defined below) to SpinCo and the other members of the SpinCo Group (as defined below) in exchange for (a) the assumption by one or more members of the SpinCo Group of the SpinCo Liabilities (as defined below) and (b) the issuance by SpinCo to Nuance of SpinCo Common Stock (as defined below) (the "Contribution") and (ii) Nuance will make the Distribution (as defined below);

WHEREAS, SpinCo has been incorporated solely for these purposes and has not engaged in activities except in preparation for the Spin-Off (as defined below);

WHEREAS, Nuance and SpinCo have prepared, and SpinCo has filed with the Commission (as defined below), the Form 10 (as defined below), which includes the Information Statement (as defined below) and sets forth appropriate disclosure concerning SpinCo and the Distribution;

WHEREAS, Nuance and SpinCo intend (i) that the Separation Transactions qualify for the applicable intended tax treatment set forth in the Tax Opinions/Rulings (as defined below) (or if not so described in the Tax Opinions/Rulings, in the Separation Step Plan (as defined below)), (ii) that the Spin-Off qualify for Tax-Free Status (as defined below) and (iii) for this Agreement to constitute a plan of reorganization within the meaning of Sections 1.368-1(c) and 1.368-2(g) of the Treasury Regulations (as defined below) with respect to the applicable steps referred to in clause (i) and the Spin-Off referred to in clause (ii); and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate and desirable to set forth the principal corporate transactions required to effect the Spin-Off and certain other agreements that will govern certain matters relating to the Spin-Off and the relationship of Nuance, SpinCo and their respective Subsidiaries following the Distribution.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements, provisions and covenants contained in this Agreement, the Parties (as defined below), intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE I

#### **DEFINITIONS**

- Section 1.01 <u>Definitions</u>. For the purposes of this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following meanings:
- "Action" means any claim, complaint, petition, hearing, charge, demand, action, suit, countersuit, arbitration, inquiry, proceeding or investigation by or before any Governmental Authority or any federal, state, local, foreign or international arbitration or mediation tribunal.
- "Adversarial Action" means (i) an Action by a member of the Nuance Group, on the one hand, against a member of the SpinCo Group, on the other hand, or (ii) an Action by a member of the SpinCo Group, on the one hand, against a member of the Nuance Group, on the other hand.
- "Affiliate" of any Person means a Person that controls, is controlled by or is under common control with such Person. As used herein, "control" of any entity means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of such entity, whether through ownership of voting securities or other interests, by Contract or otherwise; provided, however, that (i) SpinCo and the other members of the SpinCo Group shall not be considered Affiliates of Nuance or any of the other members of the Nuance Group shall not be considered Affiliates of SpinCo or any of the other members of the SpinCo Group.
- "Agent" means the distribution agent appointed by Nuance to distribute to the Record Holders, pursuant to the Distribution, the shares of SpinCo Common Stock held by Nuance.
  - "Agreement" means this Separation and Distribution Agreement, including the Schedules hereto.
- "Ancillary Agreements" means the TMA, the EMA, the IPA, the Trademark License Agreement and the TSA and any other instruments, assignments, documents and agreements executed in connection with the implementation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.
- "Assets" means all assets, properties and rights of every kind and nature (including goodwill), wherever located (including in the possession of vendors or other third parties or elsewhere), whether real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible, or accrued or contingent, in each case whether or not recorded or reflected or required to be recorded or reflected on the books and records or financial statements of any Person, including the following:
- (a) all accounting and other books, records and files, whether in paper, microfilm, microfiche, computer tape or disc, magnetic tape, electronic recording or any other form;

- (b) all apparatus, computers and other electronic data processing equipment, fixtures, machinery, furniture, office and other equipment, including hardware systems, circuits and other computer and telecommunication assets and equipment, automobiles, trucks, aircraft, rolling stock, vessels, motor vehicles and other transportation equipment, special and general tools, test devices, prototypes and models and other tangible personal property;
  - (c) all inventories of materials, parts, raw materials, supplies, work-in-process and finished goods and products;
- (d) all interests in real property of whatever nature, including buildings, land, structures, improvements and fixtures thereon, and all easements and rights-of-way appurtenant thereto, and all leasehold interests, whether as owner, mortgagee or holder of a Security Interest in real property, lessor, sublessor, lessee, sublessee or otherwise;
- (e) all interests in any capital stock or other equity interests of any Subsidiary or any other Person; all bonds, notes, debentures or other securities issued by any Subsidiary or any other Person; all loans, advances or other extensions of credit or capital contributions to any Subsidiary or any other Person; all other investments in securities of any Person; and all rights as a partner, joint venturer or participant;
- (f) all license agreements, leases of personal property, open purchase orders for raw materials, supplies, parts or services, unfilled orders for the manufacture and sale of products and other Contracts and all rights arising thereunder;
  - (g) all deposits, letters of credit, performance bonds and other surety bonds;
- (h) all written technical information, data, specifications, research and development information, engineering drawings, operating and maintenance manuals and materials and analyses prepared by consultants and other third parties;
- (i) all Intellectual Property Rights, and attorney opinions or reports related thereto concerning freedom-to-practice, technology due diligence and technology landscapes (whether held internally or by external counsel);
- (j) all Contracts pursuant to which any license, option or similar right relating to Intellectual Property Rights has been granted or the use of Intellectual Property Rights is materially restricted (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, contracts terminated pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement);
- (k) all websites, databases, content, text, graphics, images, audio, video, data and other copyrightable works or other works of authorship including all translations, adaptations, derivations and combinations thereof, in each case to the extent not included in clause (i) of this definition;
- (l) all cost information, sales and pricing data, customer prospect lists, supplier records, customer and supplier lists, subscriber, customer and vendor data, correspondence and lists, product literature and other advertising and promotional materials, artwork, design, development and manufacturing files, vendor and customer drawings, formulations and

specifications, server and traffic logs, quality records and reports and other books, records, studies, surveys, reports, plans, business records and documents, in each case to the extent not included in clause (i) of this definition;

- (m) all prepaid expenses, trade accounts and other accounts and notes receivable (whether current or non-current);
- (n) all claims or rights against any Person arising from the ownership of any other Asset, all rights in connection with any bids or offers, all Actions, judgments or similar rights, all rights under express or implied warranties, all rights of recovery and all rights of setoff of any kind and demands of any nature, in each case whether accrued or contingent, whether in tort, contract or otherwise and whether arising by way of counterclaim or otherwise;
  - (o) all rights under insurance policies and all rights in the nature of insurance, indemnification or contribution;
- (p) all licenses (including radio and similar licenses), permits, consents, approvals and authorizations that have been issued by any Governmental Authority and all pending applications therefor;
  - (q) cash, bank accounts, lockboxes and other deposit arrangements;
  - (r) interest rate, currency, commodity or other swap, collar, cap or other hedging or similar agreements or arrangements; and
  - (s) all goodwill as a going concern and other intangible properties.

"Cash" means cash, cash equivalents, bank deposits and marketable securities, whether denominated in United States dollars or otherwise.

"Cash Management Arrangements" means all cash management arrangements pursuant to which Nuance or its Subsidiaries automatically or manually sweep cash from, or automatically or manually transfer cash to, accounts of SpinCo or any member of the SpinCo Group.

"Commission" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Consents" means any consents, waivers, authorizations, ratifications, permissions, exemptions or approvals from, or notification requirements to, any Person other than a member of either Group.

"Contract" means any oral or written contract, agreement or other legally binding instrument, including any note, bond, mortgage, deed, indenture, commitment, undertaking, promise, lease, sublease, license or sublicense or joint venture.

"Contribution" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"Credit Support Instruments" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.01(a).

- "D&O Policies" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.06.
- "Dispute" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.02.
- "<u>Distribution</u>" means the distribution by Nuance to the Record Holders, on a *pro rata* basis, of all of the outstanding shares of SpinCo Common Stock held by Nuance.
  - "Distribution Date" means the date, determined by Nuance in accordance with Section 5.03, on which the Distribution occurs.
  - "EMA" means the Employee Matters Agreement dated as of the date of this Agreement by and between Nuance and SpinCo.
  - "Exchange" means the NASDAQ Global Select Market.
  - "Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, together with the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.
  - "Expected Surviving Guarantees" has the meaning set forth on Schedule XX.
  - "Final Determination" has the meaning set forth in the TMA.
  - "First Post-Distribution Report" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.11.
- "Form 10" means the registration statement on Form 10 filed by SpinCo with the Commission to effect the registration of SpinCo Common Stock pursuant to the Exchange Act in connection with the Distribution, as such registration statement may be amended or supplemented from time to time.
- "Former Business" means any terminated, divested or discontinued businesses, operations or properties of either the Nuance Group, the SpinCo Group, any of their respective members or any of their respective predecessors, in each case, prior to the Distribution.
- "Governmental Approvals" means any notices, reports or other filings to be given to or made with, or any Consents, registrations or permits to be obtained from, any Governmental Authority.
- "Governmental Authority" means any federal, state, local, foreign, international or multinational court, government, quasi-government, department, commission, board, bureau, agency, official or other legislative, judicial, tribunal, commission, regulatory, administrative or governmental authority.
  - "Group" means either the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group, or both, as the context requires.
- "<u>Hazardous Materials</u>" means (i) any natural or artificial substance (whether solid, liquid, gas or other form of matter) that could cause harm to human health or the environment, including petroleum, petroleum products and byproducts, asbestos-containing materials,

perfluoroalkyl substances, urea formaldehyde foam insulation, carcinogens, endocrine disrupters, lead-based paint, electronic, polychlorinated biphenyls, radon gas, radioactive substances, greenhouse gases and ozone-depleting substances and (ii) any other chemical, material, substance or waste that could result in Liability under, or that is prohibited, limited or regulated by or pursuant to, any HSE Law.

"HSE Law" means any Law or Governmental Approvals, or any standard used by a Governmental Authority pursuant to any Law or Governmental Approvals, relating to (i) pollution, or protection of the environment, natural resources or human health and safety, (ii) the transportation, treatment, storage or Release of, or exposure to, hazardous or toxic materials or (iii) the registration, manufacturing, sale, labeling or distribution of hazardous or toxic materials or products containing such materials.

"HSE Liabilities" means all Liabilities relating to Hazardous Materials or relating to, arising out of or resulting from any applicable HSE Law or Governmental Approvals required or issued thereunder (including in either case any such Liability for corrective actions, removal, remediation or cleanup costs, investigation, monitoring or sampling obligations or costs, response costs, financial assurance obligations or costs, natural resources damages, medical and other costs related to personal injuries, property damage, costs, fines, penalties or other sanctions).

"Indemnifying Party" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.04(a).

"Indemnitee" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.04(a).

"Indemnity Payment" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.04(a).

"Information" means information, whether or not patentable, copyrightable or protectable as a trade secret, in written, oral, electronic or other tangible or intangible forms, stored in any medium now known or yet to be created, including studies, reports, records, books, Contracts, instruments, surveys, analyses, discoveries, ideas, concepts, know-how, techniques, designs, specifications, drawings, blueprints, diagrams, models, prototypes, samples, flow charts, data, computer data, disks, diskettes, tapes, computer programs or other software, marketing plans, customer names, communications (including those by or to attorneys (whether or not subject to the attorney-client privilege)), memos and other materials (including those prepared by attorneys or under their direction (whether or not constituting attorney work product)) and other technical, financial, employee or business information or data, documents, correspondence, materials and files, in each case excluding any Intellectual Property Rights therein.

"Information Statement" means the Information Statement sent to the holders of Nuance Common Stock in connection with the Distribution, as such Information Statement may be amended from time to time.

"Insurance Proceeds" means those monies:

(a) received by an insured (or its successor-in-interest) from an insurance carrier;

- (b) paid by an insurance carrier on behalf of the insured (or its successor-in-interest); or
- (c) received (including by way of setoff) from any third party in the nature of insurance, contribution or indemnification in respect of any Liability;

in any such case net of (x) any applicable premium adjustments (including reserves and retrospectively rated premium adjustments), (y) any costs or expenses incurred in the collection thereof and (z) any Taxes resulting from the receipt thereof.

"Intellectual Property Rights" has the meaning set forth in the IPA.

"Intercompany Accounts" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.03(a).

"Intercompany Agreements" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.03(a).

"Intercompany Leases" means the real property leases by and between (i) a member of the Nuance Group, as lessor, and a member of the SpinCo Group, as lessee, or (ii) a member of the SpinCo Group, as lessor, and a member of the Nuance Group, as lessee, in each case, as set forth on Schedule XII under the caption "Leases."

"Intercompany Real Estate Licenses" means the real property licenses by and between a member of the Nuance Group and a member of the SpinCo Group as set forth on Schedule XII under the caption "Real Estate Licenses."

"Intercompany Subleases" means the real property subleases (i) by and between a member of the Nuance Group, as sublessor, and a member of the SpinCo Group, as sublessor, and a member of the Nuance Group, as sublessee (if any), in each case as set forth on Schedule XII under the caption "Subleases."

"IPA" means the Intellectual Property Agreement dated as of the date of this Agreement by and between Nuance and SpinCo.

"Joint Actions" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.11(c).

"Known Counsel" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.10.

"Law" means any statute, law, regulation, ordinance, rule, judgment, rule of common law, order, decree, Governmental Approval, concession, grant, franchise, license, agreement, directive, guideline, policy, requirement or other governmental restriction or any similar form of decision of, or determination by, or any interpretation or administration of any of the foregoing by, any Governmental Authority, whether now or hereinafter in effect and, in each case, as amended.

"<u>Lease Assignments</u>" means the assignments of real property leases and subleases by and between a member of the Nuance Group, as assignor, and a member of the SpinCo Group, as assignee, in each case as set forth on <u>Schedule XII</u> under the caption "Lease Assignments."

"<u>Liabilities</u>" means any and all claims, debts, demands, actions, causes of action, suits, damages, fines, penalties, obligations, prohibitions, accruals, accounts payable, reckonings, bonds, indemnities and similar obligations, agreements, promises, guarantees, make-whole agreements and similar obligations, and other liabilities and requirements, including all contractual obligations, whether absolute or contingent, matured or unmatured, liquidated or unliquidated, accrued or unaccrued, known or unknown, whenever arising, and including those arising under any Law, Action, threatened or contemplated Action or any award of any arbitrator or mediator of any kind, and those arising under any Contract, including those arising under this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement, in each case, whether or not recorded or reflected or required to be recorded or reflected on the books and records or financial statements of any Person. For the avoidance of doubt, Liabilities shall include attorneys' fees, the costs and expenses of all assessments, judgments, settlements and compromises, and any and all other costs and expenses whatsoever reasonably incurred in connection with anything contemplated by the preceding sentence (including costs and expenses incurred in investigating, preparing or defending against any such Actions or threatened or contemplated Actions).

"Local Transfer Agreement" means any agreement set forth on Schedule XXII.

"Managing Party" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.11(e).

"Mixed Action" means (x) any Action identified on Schedule XVI or (y) any other Action in respect of which an Indemnifying Party may be obligated to provide indemnification pursuant to this Agreement that involves both Nuance Assets or Nuance Liabilities, on the one hand, and SpinCo Assets or SpinCo Liabilities, on the other hand.

"Nuance" has the meaning set forth in the preamble.

"Nuance Account" means any bank, brokerage or similar account owned by Nuance or any other member of the Nuance Group, including the Nuance Accounts listed or described on Schedule X.

"Nuance Assets" means (a) all Assets of the Nuance Group (other than Intellectual Property Rights), (b) the Nuance Retained Assets, (c) any Assets held by a member of the SpinCo Group that are determined by Nuance, in good faith, to be primarily related to or used primarily in connection with the business or operations of the Nuance Business (unless otherwise expressly provided in connection with this Agreement), (d) all interests in the capital stock of, or other equity interests in, the members of the Nuance Group (other than Nuance), (e) the rights related to the Nuance Portion of any Shared Contract and (f) the Nuance IP. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Nuance Assets shall not include the SpinCo Assets.

"Nuance Business" means the businesses and operations as currently or formerly conducted by Nuance and its predecessors and its Subsidiaries other than the SpinCo Business.

"Nuance Common Stock" means the common stock, \$0.001 par value per share, of Nuance.

"Nuance Credit Support Instruments" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.01(a).

"Nuance Disclosure Sections" means all information set forth in or omitted from the Form 10 or Information Statement to the extent relating to (a) the Nuance Group, (b) the Nuance Liabilities, (c) the Nuance Assets or (d) the substantive disclosure set forth in the Form 10 relating to Nuance's board of directors' consideration of the Spin-Off, including the section entitled "Reasons for the Spin-Off."

"Nuance Group" means Nuance and each of its Subsidiaries, but excluding any member of the SpinCo Group.

"Nuance HSE Liabilities" means any HSE Liability, whether occurring or arising prior to, on or after the Distribution Date, to the extent (a) relating to, arising out of or resulting from (i) any compliance or non-compliance with any HSE Law in connection with the operation of the Nuance Business or any Nuance Asset, (ii) any Release of any Hazardous Material at, on, under, from or to any real property constituting a Nuance Asset, (iii) any Release, transportation, storage, disposal, treatment or recycling (or arrangement for such activities) of Hazardous Material in connection with the operation of the Nuance Business or (iv) any alleged personal or property exposure to Hazardous Materials (including those contained in any products currently or formerly manufactured, sold, distributed or marketed) in connection with clauses (i) through (iii) or the operation of the Nuance Business or Any Nuance Asset or (b) otherwise relating to, arising out of or resulting from the Nuance Business or Nuance Asset.

"Nuance Indemnitees" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.02.

"Nuance IP" has the meaning set forth in the IPA.

"Nuance Liabilities" means, without duplication, the following Liabilities:

- (a) all Liabilities of the Nuance Group;
- (b) all Liabilities to the extent relating to, arising out of or resulting from:
- (i) the operation or conduct of the Nuance Business as conducted at any time prior to the Distribution (including any Liability to the extent relating to, arising out of or resulting from any act or failure to act by any director, officer, employee, agent or representative (whether or not such act or failure to act is or was within such Person's authority), which act or failure to act relates to the Nuance Business);
- (ii) the operation or conduct of the Nuance Business or any other business conducted by Nuance or any other member of the Nuance Group at any time after the Distribution (including any Liability relating to, arising out of or resulting from any act or failure to act by any director, officer, employee, agent or representative (whether or not such act or failure to act is or was within such Person's authority)); or
  - (iii) the Nuance Assets;
  - (c) the Nuance Retained Liabilities;
  - (d) all Nuance HSE Liabilities;

- (e) any obligations related to the Nuance Portion of any Shared Contract;
- (f) any Liabilities that are determined by Nuance, in good faith prior to the Distribution, to be primarily related to the business or operations of the Nuance Business (unless otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement); and
- (g) all Liabilities to the extent relating to, arising out of or resulting from any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or omission or alleged omission to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, with respect to the Nuance Disclosure Sections.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Nuance Liabilities shall not include the SpinCo Liabilities.

"Nuance Policy Pre-Separation Insurance Claim" means any (a) claim made against the SpinCo Group or Nuance Group and reported to the applicable insurer(s) prior to the Distribution Date in respect of an act or omission occurring prior to the Distribution Date that results in a Liability under a "claims-made-based" insurance policy of the Nuance Group in effect prior to the Distribution Date or any extended reporting period thereof or (b) Action (whether made prior to, on or following the Distribution Date) in respect of a Liability occurring prior to the Distribution Date under an "occurrence-based" insurance policy of any member of the Nuance Group in effect prior to the Distribution Date.

"Nuance Portion" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.05(a).

"Nuance Retained Assets" means the Assets to be retained by the Nuance Group set forth on Schedule II.

"Nuance Retained Liabilities" means the Liabilities to be retained by the Nuance Group set forth on Schedule III.

"Non-Managing Party" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.11(e).

"Occupant" means an individual transported (or to be transported) in a Vehicle, whether as operator (driver, pilot or other operator) or passenger, in the individual's capacity as operator or passenger.

"Party" means either party hereto, and "Parties" means both parties hereto.

"Person" means an individual, a general or limited partnership, a corporation, an association, a trust, a joint venture, an unincorporated organization, a limited liability company, any other entity and any Governmental Authority.

"Real Estate Separation Documents" means the Intercompany Leases, the Intercompany Subleases, the Intercompany Real Estate Licenses and the Lease Assignments.

"Record Date" means the close of business on the date determined by the Nuance board of directors as the record date for determining the shares of Nuance Common Stock in respect of which shares of SpinCo Common Stock will be distributed pursuant to the Distribution.

"Record Holders" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.01(b).

- "Release" means any actual or threatened release, spill, emission, discharge, flow, leaking, pumping, pouring, dumping, injection, deposit, disposal, dispersal, leaching or migration into or through the indoor or outdoor environment.
  - "Representation Letter" has the meaning set forth in the TMA.
  - "Representative" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.09(a).
- "<u>Security Interest</u>" means any mortgage, security interest, pledge, lien, charge, claim, option, right to acquire, voting or other restriction, right-of-way, covenant, condition, easement, encroachment, restriction on transfer or other encumbrance of any nature whatsoever.
- "Separation Step Plan" means the global step plan setting forth the specific transactions undertaken in anticipation and furtherance of the Spin-Off, attached as Schedule I hereto, as subsequently adjusted or revised by the Parties (including to set forth the intended tax treatment of relevant transactions).
- "Separation Transactions" means the Contribution, the Distribution and the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Separation Step Plan.
- "Shared Contract" means any Contract of any member of either Group with a third party that relates in any material respect to both the SpinCo Business and the Nuance Business, in each case that is set forth on Schedule VIII.
  - "Spin-Off" means the Contribution and the Distribution, taken together.
  - "SpinCo" has the meaning set forth in the preamble.
- "SpinCo Account" means any bank, brokerage or similar account owned by SpinCo or any other member of the SpinCo Group, including the SpinCo Accounts listed or described on Schedule IX.
  - "SpinCo Assets" means, without duplication, the following Assets:
  - (a) all Assets held by the SpinCo Group (other than Intellectual Property Rights);
- (b) all interests in the capital stock of, or other equity interests in, the members of the SpinCo Group (other than SpinCo) and all other equity, partnership, membership, joint

venture and similar interests set forth on Schedule IV under the caption "Joint Ventures and Minority Investments";

- (c) all Assets reflected on the SpinCo Business Balance Sheet, and all Assets acquired after the date of the SpinCo Business Balance Sheet that, had they been acquired on or before such date and owned as of such date, would have been reflected on the SpinCo Business Balance Sheet if prepared in accordance with GAAP applied on a consistent basis, subject to any dispositions of such Assets subsequent to the date of the SpinCo Business Balance Sheet:
  - (d) the Assets listed or described on Schedule V;
  - (e) the rights related to the SpinCo Portion of any Shared Contract;
  - (f) the SpinCo Real Property;
  - (g) the SpinCo IP;
- (h) all other Assets that are expressly provided by this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement as Assets to be assigned to or retained by, or allocated to, any member of the SpinCo Group; and
- (i) all Assets held by a member of the Nuance Group that are determined by Nuance, in good faith prior to the Distribution, to be primarily related to or used or held for use primarily in connection with the business or operations of the SpinCo Business (unless otherwise expressly provided in connection with this Agreement).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the SpinCo Assets shall not include (i) any Nuance Retained Assets or (ii) any Assets that are determined by Nuance, in good faith prior to the Distribution, to arise primarily from the business or operations of the Nuance Business (unless otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement).

"SpinCo Business" means the business of providing to SpinCo Customers: (1) hardware, software solutions or connected services (or combinations thereof) in support of, in each case, conversational and cognitive artificial intelligence that facilitates interactions by Occupants with or through Vehicles or Vehicle Specific Equipment and sold by the SpinCo Group primarily for use in or with Vehicles or Vehicle Specific Equipment (collectively, the "SpinCo Technology"), and (2) related software solutions or connected services (or combinations thereof) marketed and sold by the SpinCo Group primarily for use with the SpinCo Technology, as conducted by Nuance and its Affiliates prior to the Distribution, including as described in the Information Statement; provided that the SpinCo Business shall not include any Former Business.

"SpinCo Business Balance Sheet" means the balance sheet of the SpinCo Business, including the notes thereto, as of June 30, 2019, included in the Information Statement.

"SpinCo Common Stock" means the common stock, \$0.01 par value per share, of SpinCo.

"SpinCo Credit Support Instruments" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.02(a).

"SpinCo Customers" means any Person whose primary business is the manufacture and sale of Vehicles, Vehicle Specific Equipment or Transportation Service Providers.

"SpinCo Entities" means the entities, the equity, partnership, membership, limited liability, joint venture or similar interests of which are set forth on Schedule IV under the caption "Joint Ventures and Minority Investments."

"SpinCo Group" means (a) SpinCo, (b) each Person that will be a Subsidiary of SpinCo immediately prior to the Distribution, including the entities set forth on Schedule IV under the caption "Subsidiaries" and (c) each Person that becomes a Subsidiary of SpinCo after the Distribution, including in each case any Person that is merged or consolidated with or into SpinCo or any Subsidiary of SpinCo.

"SpinCo HSE Liabilities" means any HSE Liability, whether occurring or arising prior to, on or after the Distribution Date, (x) of the SpinCo Group or (y) to the extent (a) relating to, arising out of or resulting from (i) any compliance or non-compliance with any HSE Law in connection with the operation of the SpinCo Business or any SpinCo Real Property, (ii) any Release of any Hazardous Material at, on, under, from or to any SpinCo Real Properties, (iii) any Release, transportation, storage, disposal, treatment or recycling (or arrangement for such activities) of Hazardous Material in connection with the operation of the SpinCo Business or (iv) any exposure to Hazardous Materials with respect to clauses (i) through (iii) or otherwise in connection with the SpinCo Business or any SpinCo Asset or (b) otherwise relating to, arising out of or resulting from the SpinCo Business or any SpinCo Asset.

"SpinCo Indemnitees" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.03.

"SpinCo IP" has the meaning set forth in the IPA.

"SpinCo Liabilities" means, without duplication, the following Liabilities:

- (a) all Liabilities of the SpinCo Group and the SpinCo Entities;
- (b) all Liabilities to the extent relating to, arising out of or resulting from:
- (i) the operation or conduct of the SpinCo Business as conducted at any time prior to the Distribution (including any Liability to the extent relating to, arising out of or resulting from any act or failure to act by any director, officer, employee, agent or representative (whether or not such act or failure to act is or was within such Person's authority), which act or failure to act relates to the SpinCo Business);
- (ii) the operation or conduct of the SpinCo Business or any other business conducted by SpinCo or any other member of the SpinCo Group at any time after the Distribution (including any Liability relating to, arising out of or resulting from any act or failure to act by any director, officer, employee, agent or representative (whether or not such act or failure to act is or was within such Person's authority)); or
  - (iii) the SpinCo Assets;
- (c) all Liabilities reflected as liabilities or obligations on the SpinCo Business Balance Sheet, and all Liabilities arising or assumed after the date of the SpinCo Business Balance Sheet that, had they arisen or been assumed on or before such date and been existing obligations

as of such date, would have been reflected on the SpinCo Business Balance Sheet if prepared in accordance with GAAP applied on a consistent basis, subject to any discharge of such Liabilities subsequent to the date of the SpinCo Business Balance Sheet;

- (d) all SpinCo HSE Liabilities;
- (e) the Liabilities listed or described on Schedule VI;
- (f) the obligations related to the SpinCo Portion of any Shared Contract;
- (g) all other Liabilities that are expressly provided by this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement as Liabilities to be assumed or retained by, or allocated to, any member of the SpinCo Group; and
- (h) all Liabilities to the extent relating to, arising out of or resulting from any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or omission or alleged omission to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, with respect to all information contained in, or incorporated by reference into, the Form 10 and any other documents filed with the Commission in connection with the Spin-Off or as contemplated by this Agreement, other than with respect to the Nuance Disclosure Sections.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the SpinCo Liabilities shall not include (i) any Nuance Retained Liabilities or (ii) any Liabilities that are determined by Nuance, in good faith prior to the Distribution, to be primarily related to the business or operations of the Nuance Business (unless otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement).

"SpinCo Policy Pre-Separation Insurance Claim" means any (a) claim made against the SpinCo Group or Nuance Group and reported to the applicable insurer(s) prior to the Distribution Date in respect of an act or omission occurring prior to the Distribution Date that results in a Liability under a "claims-made-based" insurance policy of the SpinCo Group in effect prior to the Distribution Date or any extended reporting period thereof or (b) Action (whether made prior to, on or following the Distribution Date) in respect of a Liability occurring prior to the Distribution Date under an "occurrence-based" insurance policy of any member of the SpinCo Group in effect prior to the Distribution Date.

"SpinCo Portion" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.05(a).

"SpinCo Real Property" means the real property and real property interests identified on Schedule VII, and any fixtures or appurtenances associated therewith.

"Subsidiary" of any Person means any corporation or other organization, whether incorporated or unincorporated, of which at least a majority of the securities or interests having by the terms thereof ordinary voting power to elect at least a majority of the board of directors or others performing similar functions with respect to such corporation or other organization, is directly or indirectly owned or controlled by such Person or by any one or more of its Subsidiaries, or by such Person and one or more of its Subsidiaries.

- "Surviving Nuance Credit Support Instruments" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.01(a).
- "Surviving SpinCo Credit Support Instruments" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.02(a).
- "Tax" or "Taxes" has the meaning set forth in the TMA.
- "Tax-Free Status" has the meaning set forth in the TMA.
- "Tax Opinions/Rulings" has the meaning set forth in the TMA.
- "Third-Party Claim" means any written assertion by a Person (including any Governmental Authority) who is not a member of the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group of any claim, or the commencement by any such Person, of any Action, against any member of the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group.
  - "Third-Party Proceeds" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.04(a).
  - "TMA" means the Tax Matters Agreement dated as of the date of this Agreement by and between Nuance and SpinCo.
- "Trademark License Agreement" means the Transitional Trademark License Agreement dated as of the date of this Agreement between Nuance and SpinCo.
- "<u>Transportation Service Provider</u>" means any Person whose primary business is (i) the provision of transportation to or for occupants in Vehicles, (ii) the provision of hardware, software or connected services (or combinations thereof) to enable Occupants to access and use software or connected services for or within a Vehicle or (iii) the provision of Vehicles used for the transportation of Occupants.
  - "Treasury Regulations" has the meaning set forth in the TMA.
  - "TSA" means the Transition Services Agreement dated as of the date of this Agreement between Nuance and SpinCo.
- "<u>Vehicle</u>" means automobiles, trucks (including semi-trucks), boats, water craft, motorcycles, aircraft and vehicles that run on tracks or air bearings (i.e., vactrains and hyperloops), together with any vehicles that are enhanced versions or natural evolutions of any of the foregoing.
- "<u>Vehicle Specific Equipment</u>" means equipment marketed or sold primarily for use with, or embedded or installed in or on, a Vehicle, including smart mirrors, personal navigation devices and motorcycle helmets; provided, however, that Vehicle Specific Equipment excludes mobile phones, general purpose mobile devices and general purpose Internet-connected physical device, including Internet-connected speakers, thermostats, lightbulbs and refrigerators.

# ARTICLE II

# THE SEPARATION

#### Section 2.01 <u>Transfer of Assets and Assumption of Liabilities</u>.

- (a) In accordance with the Separation Step Plan and to the extent not effected prior to the date of this Agreement, subject to Section 2.01(d), prior to the Distribution, the Parties shall, and shall cause their respective Group members to, execute such instruments of assignment or transfer and take such other corporate actions as are necessary to:
  - (i) transfer and convey to one or more members of the SpinCo Group all of the right, title and interest of the Nuance Group in, to and under all SpinCo Assets not already owned by the SpinCo Group;
  - (ii) transfer and convey to one or more members of the Nuance Group all of the right, title and interest of the SpinCo Group in, to and under all Nuance Assets not already owned by the Nuance Group;

- (iii) cause one or more members of the SpinCo Group to assume all of the SpinCo Liabilities to the extent such Liabilities would otherwise remain obligations of any member of the Nuance Group; and
- (iv) cause one or more members of the Nuance Group to assume all of the Nuance Liabilities to the extent such Liabilities would otherwise remain obligations of any member of the SpinCo Group, in each case of clauses (i) through (iv) in the manner contemplated by the Separation Step Plan.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, neither Party shall be required to transfer any Information except as required by <u>Article VII</u> or any insurance policies which are the subject of <u>Article VIII</u>.

- (b) In the event that it is discovered after the Distribution that there was an omission of (i) the transfer or conveyance by SpinCo (or a member of the SpinCo Group) to, or the acceptance or assumption by, Nuance (or a member of the Nuance Group) of any Nuance Asset or Nuance Liability, as the case may be, (ii) the transfer or conveyance by Nuance (or a member of the Nuance Group) to, or the acceptance or assumption by, SpinCo (or a member of the SpinCo Group) of any SpinCo Asset or SpinCo Liability, as the case may be, or (iii) the transfer or conveyance by one Party (or any other member of its Group) to, or the acceptance or assumption by, the other Party (or any other member of its Group) of any Asset or Liability, as the case may be, that, had the Parties given specific consideration to such Asset or Liability prior to the Distribution, would have otherwise been so transferred, conveyed, accepted or assumed, as the case may be, pursuant to this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement, the Parties shall use reasonable best efforts to promptly effect such transfer, conveyance, acceptance or assumption of such Asset or Liability, as the case may be. Any transfer, conveyance, acceptance or assumption made pursuant to this Section 2.01(b) shall be treated by the Parties for all purposes as if it had occurred prior to the Distribution, except as otherwise required by applicable Law or a Final Determination.
- (c) In the event that it is discovered after the Distribution that there was a transfer or conveyance (i) by SpinCo (or a member of the SpinCo Group) to, or the acceptance or assumption by, Nuance (or a member of the Nuance Group) of any SpinCo Asset or SpinCo Liability, as the case may be, or (ii) by Nuance (or a member of the Nuance Group) to, or the acceptance or assumption by, SpinCo (or a member of the SpinCo Group) of any Nuance Asset or Nuance Liability, as the case may be, the Parties shall use reasonable best efforts to promptly transfer or convey such Asset or Liability back to the transferring or conveying Party or to rescind any acceptance or assumption of such Asset or Liability, as the case may be. Any transfer or conveyance made or acceptance or assumption rescinded pursuant to this Section 2.01(c) shall be treated by the Parties for all purposes as if such Asset or Liability had never been originally transferred, conveyed, accepted or assumed, as the case may be, except as otherwise required by applicable Law or a Final Determination.
- (d) To the extent that any transfer or conveyance of any Asset (other than Shared Contracts, which are governed solely by Section 2.05; or the leasehold interests, subleasehold interests, license interests or other real property interests under the Real Estate Separation Documents, which are governed solely by Section 2.04); or acceptance or assumption

of any Liability (other than Shared Contracts, which are governed solely by Section 2.05; or the leasehold interests, subleasehold interests, license interests or other real property interests under the Real Estate Separation Documents, which are governed solely by Section 2.04) required by this Agreement to be so transferred, conveyed, accepted or assumed shall not have been completed prior to the Distribution, the Parties shall use reasonable best efforts to effect such transfer, conveyance, acceptance or assumption as promptly following the Distribution as shall be practicable. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to require the transfer or conveyance of any Assets or the acceptance or assumption of any Liabilities which by their respective terms (or the terms of any Contract relating to such Asset or Liability) or operation of Law cannot be so transferred, conveyed, accepted or assumed; provided, however, that the Parties shall use reasonable best efforts to obtain any necessary Governmental Approvals and other Consents for the transfer, conveyance, acceptance or assumption (as applicable) of all Assets and Liabilities required by this Agreement to be so transferred, conveyed, accepted or assumed. In the event that any such transfer, conveyance, acceptance or assumption (as applicable) has not been completed effective as of the Distribution, the Party retaining such Asset or Liability (or the member of the Party's Group retaining such Asset or Liability) shall thereafter hold such Asset for the use and benefit of the Party entitled thereto (at the expense of the Party entitled thereto) and retain such Liability for the account, and at the expense, of the Party by whom such Liability should have been assumed or accepted pursuant to this Agreement, and take such other actions as may be reasonably requested by the Party to which (or to the Group of which) such Asset should have been transferred or conveyed, or by whom (or by the Group of whom) such Liability should have been assumed or accepted, as the case may be, in order to place such Party or the member of its Group, insofar as reasonably possible, in the same position as would have existed had such Asset or Liability been transferred, conveyed, accepted or assumed (as applicable) as and when contemplated by this Agreement, including in respect of possession, use, risk of loss, potential for gain and control over such Asset or Liability, as the case may be. As and when any such Asset or Liability becomes transferable or assumable, as the case may be, each Party shall, and shall cause the members of its Group to, use reasonable best efforts to promptly effect such transfer, conveyance, acceptance or assumption (as applicable). Any transfer, conveyance, acceptance or assumption made pursuant to this Section 2.01(d) shall be treated by the Parties for all purposes as if it had occurred immediately prior to the Distribution, except as otherwise required by applicable Law or a Final

- (e) The Party retaining any Asset or Liability due to the deferral of the transfer and conveyance of such Asset or the deferral of the acceptance and assumption of such Liability pursuant to this <u>Section 2.01</u> or otherwise shall not be obligated by this Agreement, in connection with this <u>Section 2.01</u>, to expend any money or take any action that would require the expenditure of money unless and to the extent the Party or the member of the Party's Group entitled to receive such Asset or intended to assume such Liability, as applicable, advances or agrees to reimburse it for the applicable expenditures.
- (f) Without limiting any other provision hereof, each of Nuance and SpinCo will take, and will cause each member of its respective Group to take, such actions as are reasonably necessary to consummate the transactions contemplated by the Separation Step Plan (whether prior to, at or after the Distribution). The Parties agree that the steps described in the Separation Step Plan shall be effected in the order and manner prescribed in the Separation Step Plan.

(g) In the event that Nuance determines to seek novation with respect to any SpinCo Liability, SpinCo shall reasonably cooperate with, and shall cause the members of the SpinCo Group to reasonably cooperate with, Nuance and the members of the Nuance Group (including, where necessary, entering into appropriate instruments of assumption and, where necessary, SpinCo providing parent guarantees in support of the obligations of other members of the SpinCo Group) to cause such novation to be obtained, on terms reasonably acceptable to SpinCo, and to have Nuance and the members of the Nuance Group released from all liability to third parties arising after the date of such novation and, in the event SpinCo determines to seek novation with respect to any Nuance Liability, Nuance shall reasonably cooperate with, and shall cause the members of the Nuance Group to reasonably cooperate with, SpinCo and the members of the SpinCo Group (including, where necessary, entering into appropriate instruments of assumption and, where necessary, Nuance providing parent guarantees in support of the obligations of other members of the Nuance Group) to cause such novation to be obtained, on terms reasonably acceptable to Nuance, and to have SpinCo and the members of the SpinCo Group released from all liability to third parties arising after the date of such novation; provided that neither Party nor any member of its Group shall be required to contribute capital, pay or grant any consideration or concession in any form (including providing any letter of credit, guaranty or other financial accommodation) to any Person in order to cause such novation to be obtained (other than reasonable out-of-pocket expenses, attorneys' fees and recording or similar fees, all of which shall be reimbursed by the Party or the member of the Party's Group entitled to such Asset or intended to assume such Liability, as applicable, as promptly as reasonably practicable).

Section 2.02 Certain Matters Governed Exclusively by Ancillary Agreements. Each of Nuance and SpinCo agrees on behalf of itself and the members of its Group that, except as explicitly provided in this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement, (a) the TMA shall exclusively govern all matters relating to Taxes between such parties (except to the extent that tax matters relating to employee and employee benefits-related matters are addressed in the EMA), (b) the EMA shall exclusively govern the allocation of Assets and Liabilities related to employee and employee compensation and benefits-related matters, including the outstanding awards (equity- and cash-based) under existing equity plans with respect to employees and former employees of members of both the Nuance Group and the SpinCo Group (except to the extent that employee compensation and benefits-related reimbursements are addressed in the TSA) (it being understood that any such Assets and Liabilities, as allocated pursuant to the EMA, shall constitute SpinCo Assets, SpinCo Liabilities, Nuance Assets or Nuance Liabilities, as applicable, hereunder and shall be subject to Article VI hereof), (c) the IPA shall exclusively govern the recordation of the transfers of any registrations or applications of Nuance IP and SpinCo IP that is allocated hereunder, as applicable, and the use and licensing of certain Intellectual Property Rights identified therein between members of the Nuance Group and members of the SpinCo Group, (d) the Trademark License Agreement shall exclusively govern all matters relating to the use and licensing of certain trademarks identified therein between members of the Nuance Group and the SpinCo Group and (e) the TSA shall exclusively govern all matters relating to the provision of certain services identified therein to be provided by each Party to the other on a transitional basis following the Distribution. Except as set forth in this Section 2.02, in the event and to the extent that there shall be a conflict between the provisions of this Agre

#### Section 2.03 Termination of Agreements.

- (a) Except as set forth in Section 2.03(b) or Section 2.03(c) or as otherwise provided by the Separation Step Plan, in furtherance of the releases and other provisions of Section 6.01, effective as of the Distribution, SpinCo and each other member of the SpinCo Group, on the one hand, and Nuance and each other member of the Nuance Group, on the other hand, hereby terminate any and all Contracts, arrangements, commitments and understandings, oral or written between such parties and in existence as of the Distribution Date ("Intercompany Agreements"), including all intercompany accounts payable or accounts receivable in effect or accrued as of the Distribution Date ("Intercompany Accounts"). No such terminated Intercompany Agreement or Intercompany Account (including any provision thereof that purports to survive termination) shall be of any further force or effect after the Distribution Date. Each Party shall, at the reasonable request of the other Party, take, or cause to be taken, such other actions as may be necessary to effect the foregoing. The Parties, on behalf of the members of their respective Groups, hereby waive any advance notice provision or other termination requirements with respect to any Intercompany Agreement.
- (b) The provisions of Section 2.03(a) shall not apply to any of the following Intercompany Agreements or Intercompany Accounts (or to any of the provisions thereof): (i) this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements (and each other Intercompany Agreement or Intercompany Account expressly contemplated by this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement to be entered into by either Party or any other member of its Group); (ii) any Intercompany Agreements to which any third party is a party, including any Shared Contracts; (iii) any other Intercompany Agreements or Intercompany Accounts that this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement expressly contemplates will survive the Distribution Date; and (iv) those Intercompany Agreements and Intercompany Accounts set forth on Schedule XIII.
- (c) In connection with the termination of Intercompany Accounts described in Section 2.03(a), each of Nuance and SpinCo shall cause each Intercompany Account between a member of the SpinCo Group, on the one hand, and a member of the Nuance Group, on the other hand, outstanding as of the close of business on the business day immediately prior to the date of the Distribution to be settled on a net basis (whether via a dividend, a capital contribution, a combination of the foregoing or as otherwise agreed), in each case prior to the close of business on the date of the Distribution (except for any such intercompany payables or receivables arising pursuant to an Ancillary Agreement or any other Intercompany Agreement that this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement expressly contemplates will survive the Distribution Date, which shall instead be settled in accordance with the terms of such Ancillary Agreement or other Intercompany Agreement); provided, that all intercompany balances set forth on Schedule XXI shall be forgiven without any settlement or other action on the part of either of the Parties or the respective members of their respective Groups.

(d)

(i) Nuance and SpinCo each agree to take, or cause the respective members of their respective Groups to take, prior to the Distribution (or as promptly as reasonably practicable thereafter), all actions necessary to amend all contracts or agreements governing (x) the Nuance Accounts so that such Nuance Accounts, if linked

(whether by automatic withdrawal, automatic deposit or any other authorization to transfer funds from or to, hereinafter "<u>linked</u>") to any SpinCo Account, are de-linked from such SpinCo Accounts and (y) the SpinCo Accounts so that such SpinCo Accounts, if linked to any Nuance Account, are de-linked from such Nuance Accounts.

- (ii) With respect to any outstanding checks issued by, or payments made by, Nuance, SpinCo or any of their respective Subsidiaries prior to the Distribution, such outstanding checks shall be honored from and after the Distribution by the Person or Group owning the account on which the check is drawn, without limiting the ultimate allocation of Liability for such amounts under this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement.
- (iii) As between Nuance and SpinCo (and the members of their respective Groups), except to the extent prohibited by applicable Law or a Final Determination, all payments and reimbursements received after the Distribution by either Party (or a member of its Group) to which the other Party (or a member of its Group) is entitled under this Agreement, shall be held by such Party (or the applicable member of its Group) in trust for the use and benefit of the Person entitled thereto and, within sixty (60) days of receipt by such Party (or the applicable member of its Group) of any such payment or reimbursement, such Party shall pay over, or shall cause the applicable member of its Group to pay over to the other Party (or the applicable member of its Group), the amount of such payment or reimbursement without right of setoff.
- (e) Each of Nuance and SpinCo shall, and shall cause each of their respective Subsidiaries to, take all necessary actions to remove each of SpinCo and SpinCo's Subsidiaries from all Cash Management Arrangements to which it is a party, in each case prior to the close of business on the business day immediately prior to the Distribution Date.

Section 2.04 Real Estate Separation Documents. Prior to the Distribution, the Parties shall, and shall cause their respective applicable Group members to, use reasonable best efforts to obtain and make any necessary Consents and enter into the Real Estate Separation Documents to make the Real Estate Separation Documents effective at or prior to the Distribution; provided, however, that nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to require entering into any Real Estate Separation Document unless and until any necessary Consents are obtained or made, as applicable; provided, further, that neither Party nor any member of its Group shall be required to contribute capital, pay or grant any consideration or concession in any form (including providing any letter of credit, guaranty or other financial accommodation or the relinquishment or forbearance of any rights) to any Person in order to obtain or make any such Consent (other than reasonable out-of-pocket expenses, attorneys' fees and recording or similar fees). In the event any such Consents have not been obtained prior to the Distribution, the Parties shall use reasonable best efforts (subject to the terms of this Section 2.04) to obtain or make such Consent as promptly as reasonably practicable following the Distribution and, upon receipt of such Consent, shall execute the applicable Real Estate Separation Document; provided, however, that neither Party nor any member of its Group shall be required to contribute capital, pay or grant any consideration or concession in any form (including providing any letter of credit, guaranty or other financial accommodation or the relinquishment or forbearance of any rights) to any Person in order to obtain or make any such Consent (other than reasonable out-of-pocket expenses, attorneys' fees and

recording or similar fees). If any Real Estate Separation Document is not effective prior to the Distribution, then the Parties shall, and shall cause their respective Group members to, cooperate in any reasonable and permissible arrangement to provide that, following the Distribution and until such time as the effectiveness of the applicable Real Estate Separation Document shall cease (or, with respect to any Lease Assignment, until the expiration or earlier termination of the real property lease subject to such Lease Assignment), a member of the SpinCo Group shall receive the interest in the benefits and obligations of SpinCo or the applicable member of the SpinCo Group under the proposed terms of such Real Estate Separation Document and a member of the Nuance Group shall receive the interest in the benefits and obligations of Nuance or the applicable member of the Nuance Group under the proposed terms of such Real Estate Separation Document. In the event of a conflict between this Agreement and any Real Estate Separation Document, the applicable Real Estate Separation Document shall govern. To the extent any matter is not addressed in a Real Estate Separation Document, but is addressed in this Agreement, the terms of this Agreement shall control as to such matter.

#### Section 2.05 Shared Contracts.

- (a) Except as set forth on Schedule VIII, the Parties shall, and shall cause the members of their respective Groups to, use their respective reasonable best efforts to work together (and, if necessary and desirable, to work with the third party to such Shared Contract) in an effort to divide, partially assign, modify or replicate (in whole or in part) the respective rights and obligations under and in respect of any Shared Contract, such that (a) a member of the SpinCo Group is the beneficiary of the rights and is responsible for the obligations related to that portion of such Shared Contract relating to the SpinCo Business (the "SpinCo Portion"), which rights shall be a SpinCo Asset and which obligations shall be a SpinCo Liability, and (b) a member of the Nuance Group is the beneficiary of the rights and is responsible for the obligations related to such Shared Contract not relating to the SpinCo Business (the "Nuance Portion"), which rights shall be a Nuance Asset and which obligations shall be a Nuance Liability. Nothing in this Agreement shall require the division, partial assignment, modification or replication of a Shared Contract unless and until any necessary Consents are obtained or made, as applicable. If the Parties, or their respective Group members, as applicable, are not able to enter into an arrangement to formally divide, partially assign, modify or replicate such Shared Contract prior to the Distribution as contemplated by the previous sentence, then the Parties shall, and shall cause their respective Group members to, cooperate in any reasonable and permissible arrangement to provide that, following the Distribution, a member of the SpinCo Group shall receive the interest in the benefits and obligations of the SpinCo Portion under such Shared Contract, it being understood that no Party shall have Liability to the other Party for the failure of any third party to perform its obligations under any such Shared Contract.
- (b) Nothing in this <u>Section 2.05</u> shall require either Party or any member of each of their respective Groups to contribute capital, pay or grant any consideration or concession in any form (including providing any letter of credit, guaranty or other financial accommodation) to any Person (other than reasonable out-of-pocket expenses, attorneys' fees and recording or similar fees, all of which shall be reimbursed by the Party or the member of the Party's Group entitled to such Asset or intended to assume such Liability, as applicable, as promptly as

reasonably practicable). For the avoidance of doubt, reasonable out-of-pocket expenses and recording or similar fees shall not include any purchase price, license fee, or other payment or compensation for the procurement of any asset secured to replace an Asset in the course of a Party's obligation under <u>Section 2.05(a)</u>.

Section 2.06 <u>Disclaimer of Representations and Warranties</u>. Each of Nuance (on behalf of itself and each other member of the Nuance Group) and SpinCo (on behalf of itself and each other member of the SpinCo Group) understands and agrees that, except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, any Ancillary Agreement or the Representation Letter, no party to this Agreement, any Ancillary Agreement or any other agreement or document contemplated by this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement is representing or warranting in any way as to any Assets or Liabilities transferred or assumed as contemplated hereby or thereby, as to the sufficiency of the Assets or Liabilities transferred or assumed hereby or thereby for the conduct and operations of the SpinCo Business or the Nuance Business, as applicable, as to any Governmental Approvals or other Consents required in connection therewith or in connection with any past transfers of the Assets or assumptions of the Liabilities, as to the value or freedom from any Security Interests of, or any other matter concerning, any Assets or Liabilities of such party, or as to the absence of any defenses or rights of setoff or freedom from counterclaim with respect to any claim or other Asset, including any accounts receivable, of any such party, or as to the legal sufficiency of any assignment, document or instrument delivered hereunder to convey title to any Asset or thing of value upon the execution, delivery and filing hereof or thereof, and each of Nuance (on behalf of itself and each other member of the Nuance Group) and SpinCo (on behalf of itself and each other member of the SpinCo Group) has relied only on the representations and warranties expressly contained in Section 11.01(c), in any Ancillary Agreement or the Representation Letter. Except as may expressly be set forth herein or in any Ancillary Agreement, any such Assets are being transferred on an "as is," "where is" basis and the respective transferees shall bear the economic and legal risks that (a) any conveyance shall prove to be insufficient to vest in the transferee good and marketable title, free and clear of any Security Interest and (b) any necessary Governmental Approvals or other Consents are not obtained or that any requirements of Laws or judgments are not complied with.

Section 2.07 <u>Waiver of Bulk-Sale and Bulk-Transfer Laws</u>. SpinCo hereby waives compliance by each and every member of the Nuance Group with the requirements and provisions of any "bulk-sale" or "bulk-transfer" Laws of any jurisdiction that may otherwise be applicable with respect to the transfer or sale of any or all of the SpinCo Assets to any member of the SpinCo Group. Nuance hereby waives compliance by each and every member of the SpinCo Group with the requirements and provisions of any "bulk-sale" or "bulk-transfer" Laws of any jurisdiction that may otherwise be applicable with respect to the transfer or sale of any or all of the Nuance Assets to any member of the Nuance Group.

Section 2.08 Cash Adjustment. Each of Nuance and SpinCo agrees to take the actions set forth on Schedule XI.

#### **ARTICLE III**

#### CREDIT SUPPORT

# Section 3.01 Replacement of Nuance Credit Support.

- (a) SpinCo shall use reasonable best efforts to arrange, at its sole cost and expense and effective on or prior to the Distribution Date, the termination or replacement of all guarantees, covenants, indemnities, surety bonds, letters of credit or similar assurances of credit support ("Credit Support Instruments") provided by, through or on behalf of Nuance or any other member of the Nuance Group for the benefit of SpinCo or any other member of the SpinCo Group ("Nuance Credit Support Instruments"), other than any of the Nuance Credit Support Instruments set forth on Schedule XIV (the "Surviving Nuance Credit Support Instruments"), with alternate arrangements that do not require any credit support from Nuance or any other member of the Nuance Group, and shall use reasonable best efforts to obtain from the beneficiaries of such Credit Support Instruments written releases (which in the case of a letter of credit or bank guarantee would be effective upon surrender of the original Nuance Credit Support Instrument to the originating bank and such bank's confirmation to Nuance of cancelation thereof) indicating that Nuance or such other member of the Nuance Group will, effective upon the consummation of the Distribution, have no liability with respect to such Credit Support Instruments, in each case, reasonably satisfactory to Nuance.
- (b) In furtherance of Section 3.01(a), to the extent required to obtain a removal or release from a Nuance Credit Support Instrument, SpinCo or an appropriate member of the SpinCo Group shall execute an agreement substantially in the form of the existing Nuance Credit Support Instrument or such other form as is agreed to by the relevant parties to such agreement, except to the extent that such existing Nuance Credit Support Instrument contains representations, covenants or other terms or provisions (i) with which SpinCo or the appropriate member of the SpinCo Group would be reasonably unable to comply or (ii) which would be reasonably expected to be breached by SpinCo or the appropriate member of the SpinCo Group.
- (c) If SpinCo is unable to obtain, or to cause to be obtained, all releases from Nuance Credit Support Instruments pursuant to Sections 3.01(a) and 3.01(b) on or prior to the Distribution, (i) without limiting SpinCo's obligations under Article VI, SpinCo shall cause the relevant member of the SpinCo Group that has assumed the Liability with respect to such Credit Support Instrument to indemnify and hold harmless the guarantor or obligor for any Liability arising out of, resulting from or relating thereto in accordance with the provisions of Article VI and to, as agent or subcontractor for such guarantor or obligor, pay, perform and discharge fully all the obligations or other Liabilities of such guarantor or obligor thereunder, (ii) except as set forth on Schedule XIV, with respect to such Credit Support Instrument, each of Nuance and SpinCo, on behalf of themselves and the members of each of their respective Groups, agree, except as otherwise expressly required by the terms of a Contract with a third party in effect as of the

Distribution, not to renew or extend the term of, increase its obligations under or transfer to a third Person, any loan, guarantee, lease, sublease, license, Contract or other obligation for which the other Party or any member of the other Party's Group is or may be liable under such Credit Support Instrument unless all obligations of the other Party and the other members of the other Party's Group with respect thereto are thereupon terminated by documentation reasonably satisfactory in form and substance to the other Party and (iii) with respect to the Expected Surviving Guarantees, Nuance and SpinCo shall take the actions set forth on Schedule XX. The provisions of clauses (i) and (ii) of the foregoing sentence shall also apply to all Surviving Nuance Credit Support Instruments.

# Section 3.02 Replacement of SpinCo Credit Support.

- (a) Nuance shall use reasonable best efforts to arrange, at its sole cost and expense and effective on or prior to the Distribution Date, the termination or replacement of all Credit Support Instruments provided by, through or on behalf of SpinCo or any other member of the SpinCo Group for the benefit of Nuance or any other member of the Nuance Group ("SpinCo Credit Support Instruments"), other than any of the SpinCo Credit Support Instruments set forth on Schedule XV (the "Surviving SpinCo Credit Support Instruments"), with alternate arrangements that do not require any credit support from SpinCo or any other member of the SpinCo Group, and shall use reasonable best efforts to obtain from the beneficiaries of such Credit Support Instruments written releases (which in the case of a letter of credit or bank guarantee would be effective upon surrender of the original SpinCo Credit Support Instrument to the originating bank and such bank's confirmation to SpinCo of cancelation thereof) indicating that SpinCo or such other member of the SpinCo Group will, effective upon the consummation of the Distribution, have no liability with respect to such Credit Support Instruments, in each case reasonably satisfactory to SpinCo.
- (b) In furtherance of Section 3.02(a), to the extent required to obtain a removal or release from a SpinCo Credit Support Instrument, Nuance or an appropriate member of the Nuance Group shall execute an agreement substantially in the form of the existing SpinCo Credit Support Instrument or such other form as is agreed to by the relevant parties to such agreement, except to the extent that such existing SpinCo Credit Support Instrument contains representations, covenants or other terms or provisions (i) with which Nuance or the appropriate member of the Nuance Group would be reasonably unable to comply or (ii) which would be reasonably expected to be breached by Nuance or the appropriate member of the Nuance Group.
- (c) If Nuance is unable to obtain, or to cause to be obtained, all releases from SpinCo Credit Support Instruments pursuant to Sections 3.02(a) and 3.02(b) on or prior to the Distribution, (i) without limiting Nuance's obligations under Article VI, Nuance shall cause the relevant member of the Nuance Group that has assumed the Liability with respect to such Credit Support Instrument to indemnify and hold harmless the guarantor or obligor for any Liability arising from or relating thereto in accordance with the provisions of Article VI and to, as agent or subcontractor for such guarantor or obligor, pay, perform and discharge fully all the obligations or other Liabilities of such guarantor or obligor thereunder, (ii) with respect to such Credit Support Instruments that are in the form of a letter of credit or bank guarantee, Nuance shall provide SpinCo with letters of credit or guarantees, in each case issued by a bank reasonably acceptable to SpinCo, against losses arising from all such Credit Support Instruments or, if SpinCo

agrees in writing, cash collateralize the full amount of any outstanding Credit Support Instrument with respect to which such release has not been obtained and (iii) except as set forth on Schedule XV, with respect to such Credit Support Instrument, each of Nuance and SpinCo, on behalf of themselves and the members of each of their respective Groups, agree, except as otherwise expressly required by the terms of a Contract with a third party in effect as of the Distribution, not to renew or extend the term of, increase its obligations under or transfer to a third Person, any loan, guarantee, lease, sublease, license, Contract or other obligation for which the other Party or any member of the other Party's Group is or may be liable under such Credit Support Instrument unless all obligations of the other Party and the other members of the other Party's Group with respect thereto are thereupon terminated by documentation reasonably satisfactory in form and substance to the other Party. The provisions of clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) of the foregoing sentence shall also apply to all Surviving SpinCo Credit Support Instruments.

Section 3.03 <u>Manner of Indemnification</u>. Any claims for indemnification under this <u>Article III</u> shall be made in the manner set forth in <u>Section 6.05</u> and <u>Section 6.06</u> and are subject to the provisions set forth in <u>Sections 6.07</u>, <u>6.08</u> and <u>6.09</u>.

#### ARTICLE IV

# ACTIONS PENDING THE DISTRIBUTION

# Section 4.01 Actions Prior to the Distribution.

- (a) Subject to the conditions specified in <u>Section 4.02</u> and subject to <u>Section 5.03</u>, Nuance and SpinCo shall use reasonable best efforts to consummate the Distribution. Such efforts shall include taking the actions specified in this Section 4.01.
  - (b) Prior to the Distribution, Nuance shall mail the Information Statement to the Record Holders.
- (c) SpinCo shall prepare, file with the Commission and use its reasonable best efforts to cause to become effective any registration statements or amendments thereto required to effect the establishment of, or amendments to, any employee benefit and other plans necessary or appropriate in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or any of the Ancillary Agreements.
- (d) Nuance and SpinCo shall take all such action as may be necessary or appropriate under the securities or blue sky laws of the states or other political subdivisions of the United States or of other foreign jurisdictions in connection with the Distribution.
- (e) SpinCo shall prepare and file, and shall use reasonable best efforts to have approved prior to the Distribution, an application for the listing of the SpinCo Common Stock to be distributed in the Distribution on the Exchange, subject to official notice of distribution.
- (f) Prior to the Distribution, Nuance, in its capacity as sole stockholder of SpinCo, shall have duly elected to the SpinCo board of directors the individuals listed as members of the SpinCo board of directors in the Information Statement, and such individuals shall be the members of the SpinCo board of directors effective as of immediately after the Distribution;

<u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that to the extent required by any Law or requirement of the Exchange or any other national securities exchange, as applicable, one independent director shall be appointed by the existing board of directors of SpinCo prior to the date on which "when-issued" trading of the SpinCo Common Stock begins on the Exchange and begin his or her term prior to the Distribution and shall serve on SpinCo's Audit Committee, Compensation Committee and Nominating and Governance Committee.

- (g) Prior to the Distribution, Nuance shall deliver or cause to be delivered to SpinCo resignations, effective as of immediately after the Distribution, of each individual who will be an employee of any member of the Nuance Group after the Distribution and who is an officer or director of any member of the SpinCo Group immediately prior to the Distribution.
- (h) Immediately prior to the Distribution, the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and the Amended and Restated By-laws of SpinCo, each in substantially the form filed as an exhibit to the Form 10, shall be in effect.
- (i) Nuance and SpinCo shall, subject to <u>Section 5.03</u>, take all reasonable steps necessary and appropriate to cause the conditions set forth in <u>Section 4.02</u> to be satisfied and to effect the Distribution on the Distribution Date.
- (j) Prior to the Distribution, SpinCo shall make capital and other expenditures and operate its cash management, accounts payable and receivables collection systems in the ordinary course of business consistent with prior practice except as required in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements.
- Section 4.02 <u>Conditions Precedent to Consummation of the Distribution</u>. Subject to <u>Section 5.03</u>, as soon as practicable after the date of this Agreement, the Parties shall use reasonable best efforts to satisfy the following conditions prior to the consummation of the Distribution. The obligations of the Parties to consummate the Distribution shall be conditioned on the satisfaction, or waiver by Nuance, of the following conditions:
- (a) The board of directors of Nuance shall have authorized and approved the Contribution and Distribution and not withdrawn such authorization and approval, and shall have declared the dividend of SpinCo Common Stock to Nuance stockholders.
  - (b) Each Ancillary Agreement shall have been executed by each party to such agreement.
- (c) The SpinCo Common Stock shall have been accepted for listing on the Exchange or another national securities exchange approved by Nuance, subject to official notice of issuance.
- (d) The Commission shall have declared effective the Form 10, no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Form 10 shall be in effect and no proceedings for that purpose shall be pending before or threatened by the Commission.

- (e) Nuance shall have received the written opinion of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP, which shall remain in full force and effect, that, subject to the accuracy of and compliance with the relevant Representation Letter, the Distribution will qualify for Tax-Free Status.
- (f) The Separation Transactions shall have been completed in accordance with the Separation Step Plan (other than those steps that are expressly contemplated to occur at or after the Distribution).
- (g) No order, injunction or decree issued by any Governmental Authority of competent jurisdiction or other legal restraint or prohibition preventing the consummation of the Distribution shall be in effect, and no other event outside the control of Nuance shall have occurred, or failed to occur, that prevents the consummation of the Distribution.
- (h) No other events or developments shall have occurred prior to the Distribution that, in the judgment of the board of directors of Nuance, would result in the Distribution having a material adverse effect on Nuance or the stockholders of Nuance.
  - (i) The actions set forth in <u>Sections 4.01(b)</u>, (f), (g) and (h) shall have been completed.

The foregoing conditions are for the sole benefit of Nuance and shall not give rise to or create any duty on the part of Nuance or the Nuance board of directors to waive, or not waive, such conditions or in any way limit the right of Nuance to terminate this Agreement as set forth in Article X or alter the consequences of any such termination from those specified in such Article. Any determination made by the Nuance board of directors prior to the Distribution concerning the satisfaction or waiver of any or all of the conditions set forth in this Section 4.02 shall be conclusive.

#### ARTICLE V

#### THE DISTRIBUTION

# Section 5.01 The Distribution.

- (a) SpinCo shall cooperate with Nuance to accomplish the Distribution and shall, at the direction of Nuance, use its reasonable best efforts to promptly take any and all actions necessary or desirable to effect the Distribution. Nuance shall select any investment bank or manager in connection with the Distribution, as well as any financial printer, distribution agent and financial, legal, accounting and other advisors for Nuance. Nuance or SpinCo, as the case may be, will provide, or cause the applicable member of its Group to provide, to the Agent all share certificates and any information required in order to complete the Distribution.
- (b) Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, (i) after completion of the Separation Transactions (other than the Distribution) and on or prior to the Distribution Date, for the benefit of and distribution to the holders of Nuance Common Stock as of the Record Date ("Record Holders"), Nuance will deliver to the Agent all of the issued and outstanding shares of SpinCo Common Stock held by Nuance and bookentry authorizations for such shares and (ii) on the Distribution Date, Nuance shall instruct the Agent to distribute, by means of

a <u>pro rata</u> dividend based on the aggregate number of shares of Nuance Common Stock held by each applicable Record Holder, to each Record Holder (or such Record Holder's behalf) electronically, by direct registration in book-entry form, the number of shares of SpinCo Common Stock to which such Record Holder is entitled based on a distribution ratio determined by Nuance in its sole discretion. The Distribution shall be effective at 5:00 p.m. New York City time on the Distribution Date. On or as soon as practicable after the Distribution Date, the Agent will mail to each Record Holder an account statement indicating the number of shares of SpinCo Common Stock that have been registered in book-entry form in the name of such Record Holder.

Section 5.02 Fractional Shares. Record Holders holding a number of shares of Nuance Common Stock on the Record Date that would entitle such holders to receive less than one whole share (in addition to any whole shares) of SpinCo Common Stock in the Distribution will receive cash in lieu of such fractional share. Fractional shares of SpinCo Common Stock will not be distributed in the Distribution nor credited to book-entry accounts. Nuance shall cause the Agent to, as soon as practicable after the date on which "when-issued" trading of the SpinCo Common Stock begins on the Exchange, (a) determine the number of whole shares and fractional shares of SpinCo Common Stock allocable to each Record Holder and (b) aggregate all fractional shares into whole shares and sell the whole shares obtained thereby in open market transactions at then prevailing trading prices on behalf of holders who would otherwise be entitled to fractional share interests. Nuance shall cause the Agent to, as soon as practicable after the Distribution Date, distribute to each such holder, or for the benefit of each beneficial owner, such holder's or owner's ratable share of the net proceeds of such sale, based upon the average gross selling price per share of SpinCo Common Stock after making appropriate deductions for any amount required to be withheld under applicable Tax Law and less any brokers' charges, commissions or transfer Taxes. The Agent, in its sole discretion, will determine the timing and method of selling such fractional shares, the selling price of such fractional shares and the broker-dealer through which such fractional shares will be sold; provided, however, that the designated broker-dealer is not an Affiliate of Nuance or SpinCo. Neither Nuance nor SpinCo will pay any interest on the proceeds from the sale of fractional shares.

Section 5.03 Sole Discretion of Nuance. Nuance shall, in its sole and absolute discretion, determine the Record Date, the Distribution Date and all terms of the Distribution, including the form, structure and terms of any transactions or offerings to effect the Distribution and the timing of and conditions to the consummation thereof. In addition, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth below, Nuance may at any time and from time to time until the Distribution decide to abandon the Distribution or modify or change the terms of the Distribution, including by accelerating or delaying the timing of the consummation of all or part of the Distribution.

#### ARTICLE VI

# MUTUAL RELEASES; INDEMNIFICATION

# Section 6.01 Release of Pre-Distribution Claims.

- (a) Except as provided in Section 6.01(c) or elsewhere in this Agreement or the Ancillary Agreements effective as of the Distribution, SpinCo does hereby, for itself and each other member of the SpinCo Group, their respective Affiliates, and to the extent it may legally do so, its successors and assigns, and all Persons who at any time on or prior to the Distribution have been stockholders, directors, officers, members, agents or employees of any member of the SpinCo Group (in each case, in their respective capacities as such), remise, release and forever discharge Nuance and the other members of the Nuance Group, their respective Affiliates, successors and assigns, and all Persons who at any time on or prior to the Distribution have been stockholders, directors, officers, members, agents or employees of any member of the Nuance Group (in each case, in their respective capacities as such), and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, from any and all SpinCo Liabilities whatsoever, whether at Law or in equity (including any right of contribution), whether arising under any Contract, by operation of Law or otherwise, existing or arising from any acts or events occurring, or failing to occur, or alleged to have occurred, or to have failed to occur, or any conditions existing or alleged to have existed on or before the Distribution, including in connection with the Spin-Off and all other activities to implement the Spin-Off. This Section 6.01(a) shall not affect Nuance's indemnification obligations with respect to Liabilities arising on or before the Distribution Date under Article XI of its Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Section 6 of Article VII of its Amended and Restated Bylaws, as in effect on the date on which the event or circumstances giving rise to such indemnification obligation occur.
- (b) Except as provided in Section 6.01(c) or elsewhere in this Agreement or the Ancillary Agreements, effective as of the Distribution, Nuance does hereby, for itself and each other member of the Nuance Group, their respective Affiliates, and to the extent it may legally do so, its successors and assigns, and all Persons who at any time on or prior to the Distribution have been stockholders, directors, officers, agents or employees of any member of the Nuance Group (in each case, in their respective capacities as such), remise, release and forever discharge SpinCo, the other members of the SpinCo Group, their respective Affiliates, successors and assigns, and all Persons who at any time on or prior to the Distribution have been stockholders, directors, officers, agents or employees of any member of the SpinCo Group (in each case, in their respective capacities as such), and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, from any and all Nuance Liabilities whatsoever, whether at Law or in equity (including any right of contribution), whether arising under any Contract, by operation of Law or otherwise, existing or arising from any acts or events occurring, or failing to occur, or alleged to have occurred, or to have failed to occur, or any conditions existing, or alleged to have existed, on or before the Distribution, including in connection with the Spin-Off and all other activities to implement the Spin-Off.
- (c) Nothing contained in Section 6.01(a) or (b) shall impair any right of any Person to enforce this Agreement, any Ancillary Agreement or any Intercompany Agreement

or Intercompany Account that is specified in <u>Section 2.03(b)</u> not to terminate as of the Distribution, in each case in accordance with its terms. Nothing contained in <u>Section 6.01(a)</u> or (b) shall release:

- (i) any Person from any Liability provided in or resulting from any Contract among any members of the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group that is specified in Section 2.03(b) as not to terminate as of the Distribution, or any other Liability specified in such Section 2.03(b) as not to terminate as of the Distribution;
- (ii) any Person from any Liability, contingent or otherwise, assumed, transferred, assigned or allocated to the Group of which such Person is a member in accordance with, or any other Liability of any member of any Group under, this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement;
- (iii) any Person from any Liability provided in or resulting from any other Contract or agreement that is entered into after the Distribution between one Party (or a member of such Party's Group), on the one hand, and the other Party (or a member of such Party's Group), on the other hand:
- (iv) any Person from any Liability that the Parties may have with respect to indemnification or contribution pursuant to this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement for claims brought against the Parties, the members of their respective Groups or any of their respective directors, officers, employees or agents, by third Persons, which Liability shall be governed by the provisions of this <u>Article VI</u> or, if applicable, the appropriate provisions of the relevant Ancillary Agreement; or
- (v) any Person from any Liability the release of which would result in the release of any Person not otherwise intended to be released pursuant to this <u>Section 6.01</u>.
- (d) SpinCo shall not make, and shall not permit any other member of the SpinCo Group to make, any claim or demand, or commence any Action asserting any claim or demand, including any claim of contribution or any indemnification, against Nuance or any other member of the Nuance Group, or any other Person released pursuant to Section 6.01(a), with respect to any Liabilities released pursuant to Section 6.01(a). Nuance shall not make, and shall not permit any other member of the Nuance Group to make, any claim or demand, or commence any Action asserting any claim or demand, including any claim of contribution or any indemnification against SpinCo or any other member of the SpinCo Group, or any other Person released pursuant to Section 6.01(b), with respect to any Liabilities released pursuant to Section 6.01(b).
- (e) It is the intent of each of Nuance and SpinCo, by virtue of the provisions of this Section 6.01, to provide for a full and complete release and discharge of all Liabilities existing or arising from all acts and events occurring, or failing to occur, or alleged to have occurred, or to have failed to occur, and all conditions existing or alleged to have existed on or before the Distribution Date, between or among SpinCo or any other member of the SpinCo Group, on the one hand, and Nuance or any other member of the Nuance Group, on the other hand (including any contractual agreements or arrangements existing or alleged to exist between or

among any such members on or before the Distribution Date), except as expressly set forth in <u>Section 6.01(c)</u> or elsewhere in this Agreement or in any Ancillary Agreement. At any time, at the request of the other Party, each Party shall cause each member of its respective Group to execute and deliver releases reflecting the provisions hereof.

- Section 6.02 <u>Indemnification by SpinCo</u>. Subject to <u>Section 6.04</u>, SpinCo shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless Nuance, each other member of the Nuance Group and each of their respective former and current directors, officers and employees, and each of the heirs, executors, successors and assigns of any of the foregoing (collectively, the "<u>Nuance Indemnitees</u>"), from and against any and all Liabilities of the Nuance Indemnitees relating to, arising out of or resulting from any of the following items (without duplication):
- (a) the SpinCo Liabilities, including the failure of SpinCo or any other member of the SpinCo Group or any other Person to pay, perform or otherwise promptly discharge any SpinCo Liability in accordance with its terms;
- (b) any breach by SpinCo or any other member of the SpinCo Group of this Agreement, or any Ancillary Agreement, unless such Ancillary Agreement expressly provides for separate indemnification therein (which shall be controlling); and
- (c) any breach by SpinCo of any of the representations and warranties made by SpinCo on behalf of itself and the members of the SpinCo Group in  $\underline{\text{Section } 11.01(c)}$ .
- Section 6.03 <u>Indemnification by Nuance</u>. Subject to <u>Section 6.04</u>, Nuance shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless SpinCo, each other member of the SpinCo Group and each of their respective former and current directors, officers and employees, and each of the heirs, executors, successors and assigns of any of the foregoing (collectively, the "<u>SpinCo Indemnitees</u>"), from and against any and all Liabilities of the SpinCo Indemnitees relating to, arising out of or resulting from any of the following items (without duplication):
- (a) the Nuance Liabilities, including the failure of Nuance or any other member of the Nuance Group, or any other Person, to pay, perform or otherwise promptly discharge any Nuance Liability in accordance with its terms;
- (b) any breach by Nuance or any other member of the Nuance Group of this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement unless such Ancillary Agreement expressly provides for separate indemnification therein (which shall be controlling); and
- (c) any breach by Nuance of any of the representations and warranties made by Nuance on behalf of itself and the members of the Nuance Group in Section 11.01(c).

# Section 6.04 <u>Indemnification Obligations Net of Insurance Proceeds and Third-Party Proceeds.</u>

(a) The Parties intend that any Liability subject to indemnification or reimbursement pursuant to this Agreement will be net of (i) Insurance Proceeds that actually reduce the amount of, or are paid to the applicable Indemnitee in respect of, such Liability and (ii) other amounts recovered from any third party (net of any out-of-pocket costs or expenses

incurred in, or Taxes imposed with respect to, the collection thereof) that actually reduce the amount of, or are paid to the applicable Indemnitee in respect of, such Liability ("<a href="Indemnite"><u>Third-Party Proceeds</u></a>"). Accordingly, the amount that either Party (an "<a href="Indemnitying Party">Indemnitying Party</a>") is required to pay to any Person entitled to indemnification or reimbursement pursuant to this Agreement (an "<a href="Indemnitee">Indemnitee</a>") will be reduced by any Insurance Proceeds or Third-Party Proceeds theretofore actually recovered by or on behalf of the Indemnitee from a third party in respect of the related Liability. If an Indemnitee receives a payment required by this Agreement from an Indemnifying Party in respect of any Liability (an "<a href="Indemnity Payment">Indemnity Payment</a>") and subsequently receives Insurance Proceeds or Third-Party Proceeds in respect of such Liability, then the Indemnitee will pay to the Indemnifying Party an amount equal to the excess of the Indemnity Payment received over the amount of the Indemnity Payment that would have been due if such Insurance Proceeds or Third-Party Proceeds had been received, realized or recovered before the Indemnity Payment was made; <a href="provided">provided</a>, that for the avoidance of doubt, such amount shall not exceed the amount of the Indemnity Payment.

- (b) An insurer that would otherwise be obligated to pay any claim shall not be relieved of the responsibility with respect thereto or have any subrogation rights with respect thereto by virtue of the indemnification provisions hereof, it being expressly understood and agreed that no insurer or any other third party shall be entitled to a "wind-fall" (*i.e.*, a benefit it would not be entitled to receive in the absence of the indemnification provisions) by virtue of the indemnification provisions hereof. Subject to Section 6.10, each member of the Nuance Group and SpinCo Group shall use reasonable best efforts to collect or recover any Insurance Proceeds and any Third-Party Proceeds to which such Person is entitled in connection with any Liability for which such Person seeks indemnification pursuant to this Article VI; provided, however, that such Person's inability to collect or recover any such Insurance Proceeds or Third-Party Proceeds shall not limit the Indemnifying Party's obligations hereunder.
  - (c) The calculation of any Indemnity Payments required by this Agreement shall be subject to Section 12.02 of the TMA.

# Section 6.05 <u>Procedures for Indemnification of Third-Party Claims</u>.

(a) If an Indemnitee shall receive notice or otherwise learn of a Third-Party Claim with respect to which an Indemnifying Party may be obligated to provide indemnification to such Indemnitee pursuant to this Agreement (including Article III), such Indemnitee shall give such Indemnifying Party written notice thereof as soon as reasonably practicable, but no later than thirty (30) days after becoming aware of such Third-Party Claim. Any such notice shall describe the Third-Party Claim in reasonable detail and shall include: (i) the basis for, and nature of, such Third-Party Claim, including the facts constituting the basis for such Third-Party Claim; (ii) the estimated amount of losses (to the extent so estimable) that have been or may be sustained by the Indemnitee in connection with such Third-Party Claim; and (iii) copies of all notices and documents (including court papers) received by the Indemnitee relating to the Third-Party Claim; provided, however, that any such notice need only specify such information to the knowledge of the Indemnitee as of the date of such notice and shall not limit or prejudice any of the rights or remedies of any Indemnitee on the basis of any limitations on the information included in such notice, including any such limitations made in good faith to preserve the attorney-client privilege, work product doctrine or any other similar privilege or doctrine. Notwithstanding

the foregoing, the failure of any Indemnitee or other Person to give notice as provided in this <u>Section 6.05(a)</u> shall not relieve the related Indemnifying Party of its obligations under this <u>Article VI</u>, except to the extent that such Indemnifying Party is actually prejudiced by such failure to give notice in accordance with this <u>Section 6.05(a)</u>.

- (b) The Indemnifying Party shall have the right, exercisable by written notice to the Indemnitee within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of notice from an Indemnitee in accordance with Section 6.05(a) (or sooner, if the nature of such Third-Party Claim so requires), to assume and conduct the defense of such Third-Party Claim in accordance with the limits set forth in this Agreement with counsel selected by the Indemnifying Party and reasonably acceptable to the Indemnitee; provided, however, that (x) SpinCo shall not be entitled to control the defense of any Third-Party Claim in respect of a Mixed Action and (y) the Indemnifying Party shall not have the right to control the defense of any Third-Party Claim (i) to the extent such Third-Party Claim seeks criminal penalties or injunctive or other equitable relief (other than any such injunctive or other equitable relief that is solely incidental to the granting of money damages) or (ii) if the Indemnitee has reasonably determined in good faith that the Indemnifying Party controlling such defense will affect the Indemnitee or its Group in a materially adverse manner.
- (c) If the Indemnifying Party elects not to assume the defense of a Third-Party Claim (or is not permitted to assume the defense of such Third-Party Claim) in accordance with this Agreement, or fails to notify an Indemnitee of its election as provided in Section 6.05(b), such Indemnitee may defend such Third-Party Claim. If the Indemnifying Party elects (and is permitted) to assume the defense of a Third-Party Claim in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, the Indemnitees shall, subject to the terms of this Agreement, cooperate with the Indemnifying Party with respect to the defense of such Third-Party Claim.
- (d) If the Indemnifying Party elects (and is permitted) to assume the defense of a Third-Party Claim in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, the Indemnifying Party will not be liable for any additional legal expenses subsequently incurred by the Indemnitee in connection with the defense of the Third-Party Claim; provided, however, that if the Indemnifying Party fails to take reasonable steps necessary to defend diligently such Third-Party Claim, or the nature of such Third-Party Claim changes such that the Indemnifying Party would no longer be entitled to assume the defense of such Third-Party Claim pursuant to Section 6.05(b), the Indemnitee may assume its own defense, and the Indemnifying Party will be liable for all reasonable costs or expenses paid or incurred in connection with such defense. The Indemnifying Party or the Indemnitee, as the case may be, shall have the right to participate in (but, subject to the prior sentence, not control), at its own expense, the defense of any Third-Party Claim that the other is defending as provided in this Agreement. In the event, however, that such Indemnitee reasonably determines that representation by counsel to the Indemnifying Party of both such Indemnifying Party and the Indemnitee could reasonably be expected to present such counsel with a conflict of interest, then the Indemnitee may employ separate counsel to represent or defend it in any such action or proceeding and the Indemnifying Party will pay the reasonable fees and expenses of such counsel.
- (e) No Indemnifying Party shall consent to entry of any judgment or enter into any settlement of any Third-Party Claim without the consent of the applicable Indemnitee or Indemnitees; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such consent shall not be required if the

judgment or settlement: (i) contains no finding or admission of Liability with respect to any such Indemnitee or Indemnitees; (ii) involves only monetary relief which the Indemnifying Party has agreed to pay; and (iii) includes a full and unconditional release of the Indemnitee or Indemnitees. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the consent of an Indemnitee shall be required for any entry of judgment or settlement if the effect thereof is to permit any injunction, declaratory judgment, other order or other non-monetary relief to be entered, directly or indirectly, against such Indemnitee.

(f) Whether or not the Indemnifying Party assumes the defense of a Third-Party Claim, no Indemnitee shall admit any liability with respect to, or settle, compromise or discharge, such Third-Party Claim without the Indemnifying Party's prior written consent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed).

# Section 6.06 Additional Matters.

- (a) Any claim on account of a Liability that does not result from a Third-Party Claim shall be asserted by written notice given by the Indemnitee to the related Indemnifying Party. Any failure by an Indemnitee to give notice shall not relieve the Indemnifying Party's indemnification obligations under this Agreement, except to the extent that the Indemnifying Party shall have been actually prejudiced by such failure. Such Indemnifying Party shall have a period of sixty (60) days after the receipt of such notice within which to respond thereto. If such Indemnifying Party does not respond within such 60-day period, such Indemnifying Party shall be deemed to have refused to accept responsibility to make payment. If such Indemnifying Party does not respond within such sixty-day (60-day) period, or rejects such claim in whole or in part, such Indemnitee shall be free to pursue such remedies as may be available to such Party as contemplated by this Agreement.
- (b) In the event of payment by or on behalf of any Indemnifying Party to any Indemnitee in connection with any Third-Party Claim, such Indemnifying Party shall be subrogated to and shall stand in the place of such Indemnitee as to any events or circumstances in respect of which such Indemnitee may have any right, defense or claim relating to such Third-Party Claim against any claimant or plaintiff asserting such Third-Party Claim or against any other Person. Such Indemnitee shall cooperate with such Indemnifying Party in a reasonable manner, and at the cost and expense of such Indemnifying Party, in prosecuting any subrogated right, defense or claim.
- Section 6.07 <u>Remedies Cumulative</u>. The remedies provided in this <u>Article VI</u> shall be cumulative and, subject to the provisions of <u>Section 6.10</u>, <u>Article X</u> and <u>Article XII</u>, shall not preclude assertion by any Indemnitee of any other rights or the seeking of any and all other remedies against any Indemnifying Party.

Section 6.08 <u>Covenant Not to Sue</u>. Each Party hereby covenants and agrees that none of it, the members of such Party's Group or any Person claiming through it shall bring suit or otherwise assert any claim against any Indemnifying Party, or assert a defense against any claim asserted by any Indemnifying Party, before any court, arbitrator, mediator or administrative agency anywhere in the world, alleging that: (a) the assumption or retention of any SpinCo Liabilities by SpinCo or a member of the SpinCo Group on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement or the Ancillary Agreements is void or unenforceable for any reason; (b) the

assumption or retention of any Nuance Liabilities by Nuance or a member of the Nuance Group on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement or the Ancillary Agreements is void or unenforceable for any reason; or (c) the provisions of this <u>Article VI</u> are void or unenforceable for any reason.

Section 6.09 <u>Survival of Indemnities</u>. The rights and obligations of each of Nuance and SpinCo and their respective Indemnities under this <u>Article VI</u> shall survive the sale or other transfer by any Party or its Affiliates of any Assets or businesses or the assignment by it of any Liabilities.

Section 6.10 <u>Limitation on Liability</u>. Except as may expressly be set forth in this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement, none of Nuance, SpinCo or any other member of either Group shall in any event have any Liability to the other or to any other member of the other's Group, or to any other Nuance Indemnitee or SpinCo Indemnitee, as applicable, under this Agreement for any indirect, special, punitive or consequential damages, whether or not caused by or resulting from negligence or breach of obligations hereunder and whether or not informed of the possibility of the existence of such damages; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the provisions of this <u>Section 6.10</u> shall not limit an Indemnifying Party's indemnification obligations hereunder with respect to any Liability any Indemnitee may have to any third party not affiliated with any member of the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group for any indirect, special, punitive or consequential damages. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this <u>Section 6.10</u> shall limit the Liability of Nuance, SpinCo or any other member of either Group to the other or to any other member of the other's Group, or to any other Nuance Indemnitee or SpinCo Indemnitee, as applicable, with respect to breaches of <u>Section 7.01</u>, <u>Section 7.04</u>, <u>Section 7.05</u>, <u>Section 7.07</u> or <u>Section 7.09</u>.

Section 6.11 <u>Management of Existing Actions</u>. This <u>Section 6.11</u> shall govern the management and direction of certain pending Actions in which members of the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group are named as parties, but shall not alter the allocation of Liabilities set forth in <u>Article II</u>.

- (a) From and after the Distribution, the SpinCo Group shall direct the defense or prosecution of any Actions set forth on Schedule XVII.
- (b) From and after the Distribution, the Nuance Group shall direct the defense or prosecution of any Actions set forth on Schedule XVIII.
- (c) From and after the Distribution, the Parties shall separately but cooperatively manage (whether as co-defendants or co-plaintiffs) any Actions set forth on Schedule XIX ("Joint Actions"). The Parties shall cooperate in good faith and take all reasonable actions to provide for any appropriate joinder or change in named parties to such Joint Actions such that the appropriate member of each Party or Group is party thereto. The Parties shall reasonably cooperate and consult with each other and, to the extent permissible and necessary or advisable, maintain a joint defense in a manner that would preserve for both Parties and their respective Affiliates any attorney-client privilege, joint defense or other privilege with respect to any Joint Action. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, and except as set forth on Schedule XIX, the Parties may jointly retain counsel (in which case the cost of counsel shall be shared equally by the Parties) or retain separate counsel (in which case each Party will bear the

cost of its separate counsel) with respect to any Joint Action; <u>provided</u> that the Parties shall bear their own discovery costs and shall share equally joint litigation costs. In any Joint Action, each of Nuance and SpinCo may pursue separate defenses, claims, counterclaims or settlements to those claims relating to the Nuance Business or the SpinCo Business, respectively; <u>provided</u> that each Party shall in good faith make reasonable best efforts to avoid adverse effects on the other Party.

- (d) To the maximum extent permitted by applicable Law, the rights to recovery of each Party's Subsidiaries in respect of any past, present or future Action are hereby delegated to such Party. It is the intent of the Parties that the foregoing delegation shall satisfy any Law requiring such delegation to be effected pursuant to a power of attorney or similar instrument. The Parties and their respective Subsidiaries shall execute such further instruments or documents as may be necessary to effect such delegation.
- (e) No Party managing an Action (the "Managing Party") pursuant to this Section 6.11 shall consent to entry of any judgment or enter into any settlement of any such Action without the prior written consent of the other Party (the "Non-Managing Party") (not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed); provided, however, that such Non-Managing Party, including, in the case of a Joint Action, any co-defendant or co-plaintiff, shall be required to consent to such entry of judgment or to such settlement that the Managing Party may recommend if the judgment or settlement: (i) contains no finding or admission of any violation of Law or any violation of the rights of any Person; (ii) involves only monetary relief which the Managing Party has agreed to pay; and (iii) includes a full and unconditional release of the Non-Managing Party and its applicable related Persons. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event shall a Non-Managing Party be required to consent to an entry of judgment or settlement if the effect thereof is to permit any injunction, declaratory judgment, other order or other non-monetary relief to be entered, directly or indirectly, against the Non-Managing Party's Group (other than the determination of equitable relief incidental to the granting of monetary relief).

# **ARTICLE VII**

# ACCESS TO INFORMATION; PRIVILEGE; CONFIDENTIALITY

# Section 7.01 <u>Agreement for Exchange of Information; Archives.</u>

(a) Except in the case of an Adversarial Action or threatened Adversarial Action, and subject to Section 7.01(b), each of Nuance and SpinCo, on behalf of its respective Group, shall provide, or cause to be provided, to the other Party, at any time after the Distribution, as soon as reasonably practicable after written request therefor, any Information relating to time periods on or prior to the Distribution Date in the possession or under the control of such respective Group, which Nuance or SpinCo, or any member of its respective Group, as applicable, reasonably needs: (i) to comply with reporting, disclosure, filing or other requirements imposed on Nuance or SpinCo, or any member of its respective Group, as applicable (including under applicable securities Laws), by any national securities exchange or any Governmental Authority having jurisdiction over Nuance or SpinCo, or any member of its respective Group, as applicable; (ii) for use in any other judicial, regulatory, administrative or other proceeding or in order to satisfy audit, accounting, regulatory, litigation or other similar requirements; or (iii) to comply with its obligations under this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement; provided, that any

request for information pursuant to this <u>Section 7.01</u> shall be made in good faith and limited to the extent reasonable to satisfy the good faith basis for such request. The receiving Party shall use any Information received pursuant to this <u>Section 7.01(a)</u> solely to the extent reasonably necessary to satisfy the applicable obligations or requirements described in clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of the immediately preceding sentence.

- (b) In the event that either Nuance or SpinCo determines that the disclosure of any Information pursuant to Section 7.01(a) could be commercially detrimental, violate any Law or Contract or waive or jeopardize any attorney-client privilege, attorney work product protection or other similar privilege or doctrine, such Party shall not be required to provide access to or furnish such Information to the other Party; provided, however, that both Nuance and SpinCo shall take all commercially reasonable measures to permit compliance with Section 7.01(a) in a manner that avoids any such harm or consequence. Both Nuance and SpinCo intend that any provision of access to or the furnishing of Information pursuant to this Section 7.01 that would otherwise be within the ambit of any legal privilege shall not operate as waiver of such privilege.
- Section 7.02 Ownership of Information. Any Information owned by one Group that is provided to the requesting Party hereunder shall be deemed to remain the property of the providing Party. Except as specifically set forth herein or in any Ancillary Agreement, nothing herein shall be construed as granting or conferring rights of license or otherwise in any such Information.
- Section 7.03 <u>Compensation for Providing Information</u>. Nuance and SpinCo shall reimburse each other for the reasonable costs, if any, in complying with a request for Information pursuant to this <u>Article VII</u> (whether or not such Information was a SpinCo Asset or a Nuance Asset). Except as may be otherwise specifically provided elsewhere in this Agreement, such costs shall be computed in accordance with SpinCo's or Nuance's, as applicable, standard methodology and procedures, but shall not include any mark-up above actual costs.
- Section 7.04 Record Retention. To facilitate the possible exchange of Information pursuant to this Article VII and other provisions of this Agreement, each Party shall use its reasonable best efforts to retain all Information in such Party's possession relating to the other Party or its businesses, Assets or Liabilities, this Agreement or the Ancillary Agreements in accordance with its respective record retention policies applicable to its own Information or such longer period as required by Law, this Agreement or the Ancillary Agreements. Each of Nuance and SpinCo shall use their reasonable best efforts to maintain and continue their respective Group's compliance with all "litigation holds" applicable to any Information in its possession for the pendency of the applicable matter.
  - Section 7.05 Accounting Information. Without limiting the generality of Section 7.01 but subject to Section 7.01(b):
- (a) Until the end of the first full fiscal year occurring after the Distribution Date (and for a reasonable period of time afterwards or as required by Law for Nuance to prepare consolidated financial statements or complete a financial statement audit for any period during which the financial results of the SpinCo Group were consolidated with those of Nuance), SpinCo shall use its reasonable best efforts to enable Nuance to meet its timetable for

dissemination of its financial statements and to enable Nuance's auditors to timely complete their annual audit and quarterly reviews of financial statements. As part of such efforts, to the extent reasonably necessary for the preparation of financial statements or completing an audit or review of financial statements or an audit of internal control over financial reporting, (i) SpinCo shall authorize and direct its auditors to make available to Nuance's auditors, within a reasonable time prior to the date of Nuance's auditors' opinion or review report, both (x) the personnel who performed or will perform the annual audits and quarterly reviews of SpinCo and (y) work papers to the extent related to such annual audits and quarterly reviews, to enable Nuance's auditors to perform any procedures they consider reasonably necessary to take responsibility for the work of SpinCo's auditors as it relates to Nuance's auditors' opinion or report and (ii) until all governmental audits are complete, SpinCo shall provide reasonable access during normal business hours for Nuance's internal auditors, counsel and other designated representatives to (x) the premises of SpinCo and its Subsidiaries and all Information (and duplicating rights) within the knowledge, possession or control of SpinCo and its Subsidiaries and (y) the officers and employees of SpinCo and its Subsidiaries, so that Nuance may conduct reasonable audits relating to the financial statements provided by SpinCo and its Subsidiaries; provided, however, that such access shall not be unreasonably disruptive to the business and affairs of the SpinCo Group; provided, further, that, subject to Section 7.05(b), any request for access pursuant to this Section 7.05(a) shall be made in good faith and limited to the extent reasonable to satisfy the good faith basis for such request.

- (b) Until the end of the first full fiscal year occurring after the Distribution Date (and for a reasonable period of time afterwards or as required by Law), Nuance shall use its reasonable best efforts to enable SpinCo to meet its timetable for dissemination of its financial statements and to enable SpinCo's auditors to timely complete their annual audit and quarterly reviews of financial statements. As part of such efforts, to the extent reasonably necessary for the preparation of financial statements or completing an audit or review of financial statements or an audit of internal control over financial reporting, (i) Nuance shall authorize and direct its auditors to make available to SpinCo's auditors, within a reasonable time prior to the date of SpinCo's auditors' opinion or review report, both (x) the personnel who performed or will perform the annual audits and quarterly reviews of Nuance and (y) work papers to the extent related to such annual audits and quarterly reviews, to enable SpinCo's auditors to perform any procedures they consider reasonably necessary to take responsibility for the work of Nuance's auditors as it relates to SpinCo's auditors' opinion or report and (ii) until all governmental audits are complete, Nuance shall provide reasonable access during normal business hours for SpinCo's internal auditors, counsel and other designated representatives to (x) the premises of Nuance and its Subsidiaries and all Information (and duplicating rights) within the knowledge, possession or control of Nuance and its Subsidiaries and (y) the officers and employees of Nuance and its Subsidiaries, so that SpinCo may conduct reasonable audits relating to the financial statements provided by Nuance and its Subsidiaries; provided, however, that such access shall not be unreasonably disruptive to the business and affairs of the Nuance Group.
- (c) In order to enable the principal executive officer(s) and principal financial officer(s) (as such terms are defined in the rules and regulations of the Commission) of Nuance to make any certifications required of them under Section 302 or 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, SpinCo shall, within a reasonable period of time following a request from Nuance in anticipation of filing such reports, cause its principal executive officer(s) and principal

financial officer(s) to provide Nuance with certifications of such officers in support of the certifications of Nuance's principal executive officer(s) and principal financial officer(s) required under Section 302 or 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 with respect to (i) Nuance's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with respect to the fiscal quarter during which the Distribution Date occurs (unless such quarter is the fourth fiscal quarter), (ii) to the extent applicable, each subsequent fiscal quarter through the third fiscal quarter of the year in which the Distribution Date occurs and (iii) Nuance's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with respect to the fiscal year during which the Distribution Date occurs. Such certifications shall be provided in substantially the same form and manner as such SpinCo officers provided prior to the Distribution (reflecting any changes in certifications necessitated by the Spin-Off or any other transactions related thereto) or as otherwise agreed upon between Nuance and SpinCo.

#### Section 7.06 <u>Limitations of Liability</u>.

- (a) Each of Nuance (on behalf of itself and each other member of the Nuance Group) and SpinCo (on behalf of itself and each other member of the SpinCo Group) understands and agrees that neither Party is representing or warranting in any way as to the accuracy or sufficiency of any Information exchanged or disclosed under this Agreement.
- (b) Neither Nuance nor SpinCo shall have any Liability to the other Party in the event that any Information exchanged or provided pursuant to this Agreement that is an estimate or forecast, or that is based on an estimate or forecast, is found to be inaccurate in the absence of willful misconduct by the providing Person. Neither Nuance nor SpinCo shall have any Liability to the other Party if any Information is destroyed after reasonable best efforts by SpinCo or Nuance, as applicable, to comply with the provisions of <u>Section 7.04</u>.

### Section 7.07 <u>Production of Witnesses; Records; Cooperation.</u>

- (a) Without limiting any of the rights or obligations of the Parties pursuant to Section 7.01 or Section 7.04, after the Distribution Date, except in the case of an Adversarial Action or threatened or contemplated Adversarial Action, each of Nuance and SpinCo shall use their reasonable best efforts to make available, upon written request: (i) the former, current and future directors, officers, employees, other personnel and agents of the Persons in its respective Group (whether as witnesses or otherwise); and (ii) any books, records or other documents within its control or that it otherwise has the ability to make available, in each case, to the extent that such Person (giving consideration to business demands of such directors, officers, employees, other personnel and agents) or books, records or other documents may reasonably be required in connection with any Action, Commission comment or review or threatened or contemplated Action, Commission comment or review (including preparation for any such Action, Commission comment or review) in which either Nuance or SpinCo or any Person or Persons in its Group, as applicable, may from time to time be involved, regardless of whether such Action, Commission comment or review or threatened or contemplated Action, Commission comment or review is a matter with respect to which indemnification may be sought hereunder. The requesting Party shall bear all reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses in connection therewith.
- (b) Without limiting the foregoing, Nuance and SpinCo shall use their reasonable best efforts to cooperate and consult with each other to the extent reasonably necessary

with respect to any Actions or threatened or contemplated Actions (including in connection with preparation for any such Action), other than an Adversarial Action or threatened or contemplated Adversarial Action.

(c) The obligation of Nuance and SpinCo, pursuant to this Section 7.07, to use their reasonable best efforts to make available former, current and future directors, officers, employees and other personnel and agents or provide witnesses and experts, except in the case of an Adversarial Action or threatened or contemplated Adversarial Action, is intended to be interpreted in a manner so as to facilitate cooperation and shall include the obligation to make available employees and other officers without regard to whether such individual or the employer of such individual could assert a possible business conflict. Without limiting the foregoing, each of Nuance and SpinCo agrees that neither it nor any Person or Persons in its respective Group will take any adverse action against any employee of its Group based on such employee's provision of assistance or information to each other pursuant to this Section 7.07.

### Section 7.08 Privileged Matters.

(a) The Parties recognize that legal and other professional services that have been and will be provided prior to the Distribution (whether by outside counsel, in-house counsel or other legal professionals) have been and will be rendered for the collective benefit of Nuance and its Subsidiaries (in such capacity). Solely for purposes of asserting privileges which may be asserted under applicable law, and without limiting the provisions of Section 7.10, each of the members of the Nuance Group and the Spinco Group shall be deemed to have been the client in connection with such services with respect to periods prior to the Distribution. The Parties recognize that legal and other professional services will be provided following the Distribution, which services will be rendered solely for the benefit of the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group, as the case may be.

# (b) The Parties agree as follows:

- (i) Nuance shall be entitled, in perpetuity, to control the assertion or waiver of all privileges and immunities in connection with any privileged Information that relates solely to the Nuance Business or the Distribution and not to the operations of the SpinCo Business, whether or not the privileged Information is in the possession or under the control of any member of the Nuance Group or any member of the SpinCo Group. Nuance shall also be entitled, in perpetuity, to control the assertion or waiver of all privileges and immunities in connection with any privileged Information that relates solely to any Nuance Assets or Nuance Liabilities, and not any SpinCo Assets or SpinCo Liabilities, in connection with any Actions that are now pending or may be asserted in the future, whether or not the privileged Information is in the possession or under the control of any member of the Nuance Group or any member of the SpinCo Group;
- (ii) SpinCo shall be entitled, in perpetuity, to control the assertion or waiver of all privileges and immunities in connection with any privileged Information that relates solely to the operations of the SpinCo Business and not to the Nuance Business or the Distribution, whether or not the privileged Information is in the possession or under the control of any member of the SpinCo Group or any member of the

Nuance Group. SpinCo shall also be entitled, in perpetuity, to control the assertion or waiver of all privileges and immunities in connection with any privileged Information that relates solely to any SpinCo Assets or SpinCo Liabilities and not any Nuance Assets or Nuance Liabilities in connection with any Actions that are now pending or may be asserted in the future, whether or not the privileged Information is in the possession or under the control of any member of the SpinCo Group or any member of the Nuance Group; and

- (iii) If the Parties do not agree as to whether certain information is privileged Information, then such Information shall be treated as privileged Information, and the Party that believes that such information is privileged Information shall be entitled to control the assertion or waiver of all privileges and immunities in connection with any such information until such time as it is finally judicially determined that such information is not privileged Information or unless the Parties otherwise agree.
- (c) Subject to the remaining provisions of this Section 7.08, the Parties agree that Nuance shall be entitled, in perpetuity, to control the assertion or waiver of all privileges and immunities not allocated pursuant to Section 7.08(b) in connection with any Actions, or threatened or contemplated Actions, or other matters that involve both Parties (or one or more members of their respective Groups) and in respect of which both Parties have Liabilities under this Agreement. Upon the reasonable request of Nuance or SpinCo, in connection with any Action or threatened or contemplated Action contemplated by this Article VII, other than any Adversarial Action or threatened or contemplated Adversarial Action, Nuance and SpinCo will enter into a mutually acceptable common interest agreement so as to maintain to the extent practicable any applicable attorney-client privilege, work product immunity or similar privilege or immunity of any member of either Group.
- (d) If any dispute arises between the Parties or any members of their respective Group regarding whether a privilege or immunity should be waived to protect or advance the interests of either Party or any member of their respective Groups, each Party agrees that it shall:
  (i) negotiate with the other Party in good faith; (ii) endeavor to minimize any prejudice to the rights of the other Party and the members of its Group; and (iii) not unreasonably withhold, delay or condition consent to any request for waiver by the other Party.
- (e) Upon receipt by either Party, or by any member of its respective Group, of any subpoena, discovery or other request (or of written notice that it will receive or has received such subpoena, discovery or other request) that may reasonably be expected to result in the production or disclosure of privileged Information subject to a shared privilege or immunity or as to which the other Party has the sole right hereunder to assert a privilege or immunity, or if either Party obtains knowledge or becomes aware that any of its, or any member of its respective Group's, current or former directors, officers, agents or employees have received any subpoena, discovery or other requests (or have received written notice that they will receive or have received such subpoena, discovery or other requests) that may reasonably be expected to result in the production or disclosure of such privileged Information, such Party shall promptly notify the other Party of the existence of any such subpoena, discovery or other request and shall provide the other Party a reasonable opportunity to review the privileged Information and to assert any rights it or they may have, under this Section 7.08 or otherwise, to prevent the production or disclosure of such privileged Information; provided, that if such Party is prohibited by applicable Law from disclosing

the existence of such subpoena, discovery or other request, such Party shall provide written notice of such related information for which disclosure is not prohibited by applicable Law and use reasonable best efforts to inform the other Party of any related information such Party reasonably determines is necessary or appropriate for the other Party to be informed of to enable the other Party to review the privileged Information and to assert its rights, under this Section 7.08 or otherwise, to prevent the production or disclosure of such privileged Information.

(f) The Parties agree that their respective rights to any access to Information, witnesses and other Persons, the furnishing of notices and documents and other cooperative efforts between the Parties contemplated by this Agreement, and the transfer of privileged Information between the Parties and members of their respective Groups pursuant to this Agreement, shall not be deemed a waiver of any privilege that has been or may be asserted under this Agreement or otherwise. The Parties further agree that: (i) the exchange by one Party to the other Party of any Information that should not have been exchanged pursuant to the terms of Section 7.09 shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver of any privilege or immunity that has been or may be asserted under this Agreement or otherwise with respect to such privileged Information; and (ii) the Party receiving such privileged Information shall promptly return such privileged Information to the Party who has the right to assert the privilege or immunity.

# Section 7.09 Confidential Information.

(a) Each of Nuance and SpinCo, on behalf of itself and each Person in its respective Group, shall hold, and cause its respective directors, officers, employees, agents, accountants, subcontractors, counsel and other advisors and representatives (each, a "Representative") to hold, in strict confidence, not release or disclose and protect with at least the same degree of care, but no less than a reasonable degree of care, that it applies to its own confidential and proprietary information pursuant to policies in effect as of the Distribution Date, all confidential or proprietary Information concerning the other Group or its business that is either in its possession (including such Information in its possession prior to the Distribution) or furnished by the other Group or its respective Representatives at any time pursuant to this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement, and shall not use any such Information other than for such purposes as shall be expressly permitted hereunder or thereunder, except, in each case, to the extent that such Information is: (i) in the public domain through no fault of any member of the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group, as applicable, or any of its respective Representatives; (ii) later lawfully acquired from other sources by any of Nuance, SpinCo or its respective Group, Representatives, as applicable, which sources are not themselves bound by a confidentiality obligation to the knowledge of any of Nuance, SpinCo or Persons in its respective Group, as applicable; (iii) independently generated after the date hereof without reference to any proprietary or confidential Information of the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group, as applicable; or (iv) required to be disclosed by Law; provided, however, that the Person required to disclose such Information gives the applicable Person prompt and, to the extent reasonably practicable and legally permissible, prior notice of such disclosure and an opportunity to contest such disclosure and shall use reasonable best efforts to cooperate, at the expense of the requesting Person, in seeking any reasonable protective arrangements requested by such Person. In the event that such appropriate protective order or other remedy is not obtained, the Person that is required to disclose such Information shall furnish, or cause to be furnished, only that portion of such Information that is legally required to be disclosed and shall use reasonable best efforts to ensure that confidential

treatment is accorded such Information. Notwithstanding the foregoing, each of Nuance and SpinCo may release or disclose, or permit to be released or disclosed, any such confidential or proprietary Information concerning the other Group (x) to their respective Representatives who need to know such Information (who shall be advised of the obligations hereunder with respect to such Information) and (y) to any nationally recognized statistical rating organization as it reasonably deems necessary, solely for the purpose of obtaining a rating of securities or other debt instruments upon normal terms and conditions; provided, however, that, with respect to clause (x) hereof: (i) such Representatives shall keep such Information confidential and will not disclose such Information to any other Person; (ii) such Representatives shall not use such non-public information in a manner that is detrimental to the interests of the Party whose Information is being disclosed; and (iii) each Party agrees that it is responsible to the other Party for any action or failure to act that would constitute a breach or violation of this Section 7.09(a) by any such Representative; and, with respect to clause (y) hereof, the Party whose Information is being disclosed or released to such rating organization is promptly notified thereof.

- (b) Without limiting the foregoing, when any confidential or proprietary Information concerning the other Group or its business is no longer needed for the purposes contemplated by this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement, each of Nuance and SpinCo will, promptly after the request of the other Party, either return all such Information in a tangible form (including all copies thereof and all notes, extracts or summaries based thereon) or certify to the other Party, as applicable, that it has destroyed such Information, other than, in each case, any such Information electronically preserved or recorded within any computerized data storage device or component (including any hard-drive or database) pursuant to automatic or routine backup procedures generally accessible only by legal, IT or compliance personnel.
- (c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement and without prejudice to whether any such device would constitute a SpinCo Asset, SpinCo shall, and shall cause its Group members and their respective employees and other personnel to, at SpinCo's sole cost and expense, promptly provide to Nuance any personal computing devices, mobile devices, data storage equipment or devices or other similar equipment or devices used in the SpinCo Business as may be requested by Nuance in connection with obtaining, removing, deleting, copying or otherwise accessing therefrom, or confirming the absence therein of, any Information of or related to the Nuance Business or for any other valid business purpose. If requested by SpinCo, Nuance shall, at Nuance's election, return such device upon completion of Nuance's use thereof or provide a suitable replacement or cost reimbursement therefor. In addition and without limiting the foregoing, SpinCo shall, and shall cause its Group members and their respective employees and other personnel to, at SpinCo's sole cost and expense, promptly provide to Nuance any such Information of or related to the Nuance Business in any of their respective possession or control, or, subject to SpinCo's rights thereto under the Intellectual Property Agreement (if applicable), permanently delete and destroy the same and certify (and represent) such deletion and destruction to Nuance in writing, executed by an executive officer of SpinCo, in each case as may be requested by Nuance.

Section 7.10 <u>Conflicts Waiver</u>. Each of the Parties acknowledges, on behalf of itself and each other member of its Group, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, that Nuance has retained Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP and Baker McKenzie (collectively, the "<u>Known Counsel</u>") to act as its counsel in connection with this

Agreement, the Ancillary Agreements and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby. SpinCo hereby agrees on behalf of itself and each member of its Group that, notwithstanding anything to contrary contained herein, in the event that a dispute arises between or among (x) any member of the SpinCo Group, any SpinCo Indemnitee or any of their respective Affiliates, on the one hand, and (y) any member of the Nuance Group, any Nuance Indemnitee or any of their respective Affiliates, on the other hand, any Known Counsel may represent any member of the Nuance Group, any Nuance Indemnitee or any of their respective Affiliates in such dispute even though the interests of such Person may be directly adverse to any Person described in clause (x), and even though such Known Counsel may have represented a Person described in clause (x), in a matter substantially related to such dispute, or may be handling ongoing matters for a Person described in clause (x), and SpinCo hereby waives, on behalf of itself and each other Person described in clause (x), as applicable, any conflict of interest in connection with such representation by such Known Counsel. Each of SpinCo and Nuance, on behalf of itself and each other member of its Group, agrees to take, and to cause their respective then-Affiliates to take, all steps necessary to implement the intent of this Section 7.10. Each of SpinCo and Nuance, on behalf of itself and each other member of its Group, further agrees that each Known Counsel and its respective partners and employees are third party beneficiaries of this Section 7.10.

#### ARTICLE VIII

### **INSURANCE**

Section 8.01 Maintenance of Insurance. Until the Distribution Date, Nuance shall (i) cause the members of the SpinCo Group and their respective employees, officers and directors to continue to be covered as insured parties under Nuance's policies of insurance in a manner which is no less favorable than the coverage provided for the Nuance Group and (ii) permit the members of the SpinCo Group and their respective employees, officers and directors to submit claims relating to, arising out of or resulting from facts, circumstances, events or matters that occurred prior to the Distribution Date to the extent permitted under such policies. With respect to policies currently procured by SpinCo for the sole benefit of the SpinCo Group, SpinCo shall continue to maintain such insurance coverage through the Distribution Date in a manner no less favorable than currently provided. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in this Article VIII, Nuance and SpinCo acknowledge that, as of immediately prior to the Distribution Date, Nuance intends to take such action as it may deem necessary or desirable to remove the members of the SpinCo Group and their respective employees, officers and directors as insured parties under any policy of insurance issued to any member of the Nuance Group by any insurance carrier effective immediately prior to the Distribution Date. The SpinCo Group will not be entitled on or following the Distribution Date, absent mutual agreement otherwise, to make any claims for insurance thereunder to the extent such claims are based upon facts, circumstances, events or matters occurring on or after the Distribution Date or, subject to Section 8.02, to the extent any claims are made pursuant to any Nuance claims-made policies on or after the Distribution Date. No member of the Nuance Group shall be deemed to have made any representation or warranty as to the availability of any coverage under any such insurance policy. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Nuance shall, and shall cause the other members of the Nuance Group to, use reasonable best efforts to cause all insurance policies of the Nuance Group that immediately prior to the Distribution provide coverage to or with respect to the members of the SpinCo Group and their respective employees, officers and directors to continue to provide such coverage with respect to

acts, omissions or events occurring prior to the Distribution in accordance with their terms as if the Distribution had not occurred; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that in no event shall Nuance be required to extend or maintain coverage under claims-made policies with respect to any claims first made against a member of the SpinCo Group or first reported to the insurer on or after the Distribution.

# Section 8.02 <u>Claims Under Nuance Insurance Policies</u>.

- (a) On and after the Distribution Date, the members of each of the Nuance Group and the SpinCo Group shall have the right to assert Nuance Policy Pre-Separation Insurance Claims and the members of the SpinCo Group shall have the right to participate with Nuance to resolve Nuance Policy Pre-Separation Insurance Claims under the applicable Nuance insurance policies up to the full extent of the applicable and available limits of liability of such policy. Nuance shall have primary control over those Nuance Policy Pre-Separation Insurance Claims for which the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group, respectively, bears the underlying loss, subject to the terms and conditions of the relevant policy of insurance governing such control. If a member of the SpinCo Group is unable to assert a Nuance Policy Pre-Separation Insurance Claim because it is no longer an "insured" under a Nuance insurance policy, then Nuance shall, to the extent permitted by applicable Law and the terms of such insurance policy, assert such claim in its own name and deliver the Insurance Proceeds to SpinCo.
- (b) With respect to Nuance Policy Pre-Separation Insurance Claims, whether or not known or reported on or prior to the Distribution Date, SpinCo shall, or shall cause the applicable member of the SpinCo Group to, report such claims arising from the SpinCo Business as soon as practicable to each of Nuance and the applicable insurer(s), and SpinCo shall, or shall cause the applicable member of SpinCo Group to, individually, and not jointly, assume and be responsible (including, upon the request of Nuance, by reimbursement to Nuance for amounts paid or payable by it) for the reimbursement liability (including any deductible, coinsurance or retention payment) related to its portion of the liability, unless otherwise agreed in writing by Nuance. Each of Nuance and SpinCo shall, and shall cause each member of the Nuance Group and SpinCo Group, respectively, to, cooperate and assist the applicable member of the SpinCo Group and the Nuance Group, as applicable, with respect to such claims. The applicable member of the SpinCo Group shall provide to Nuance any collateral (or a letter of credit in an amount equal to the value of such collateral) in respect of the reimbursement obligations as may reasonably be requested by the insurers and, upon the request of Nuance, any other collateral required by the insurers in respect of insurance policies under which Nuance Policy Pre-Separation Insurance Claims may be recoverable based upon Nuance's reasonable estimate of the proportion of the requested collateral attributable to claims that may be made by the SpinCo Group. Nuance agrees that Nuance Policy Pre-Separation Insurance Claims of members of the SpinCo Group shall receive the same priority as Nuance Policy Pre-Separation Insurance Claims of members of the SpinCo Group shall receive the same priority as Nuance Policy Pre-Separation Insurance.

#### Section 8.03 Claims Under SpinCo Insurance Policies.

(a) On and after the Distribution Date, the members of each of the SpinCo Group and the Nuance Group shall have the right to assert SpinCo Policy Pre-Separation Insurance Claims and the members of the Nuance Group shall have the right to participate with

SpinCo to resolve SpinCo Policy Pre-Separation Insurance Claims under the applicable SpinCo insurance policies up to the full extent of the applicable and available limits of liability of such policy. SpinCo or Nuance, as the case may be, shall have primary control over those SpinCo Policy Pre-Separation Insurance Claims for which the SpinCo Group or the Nuance Group, respectively, bears the underlying loss, subject to the terms and conditions of the relevant policy of insurance governing such control. If a member of the Nuance Group is unable to assert a SpinCo Policy Pre-Separation Insurance Claim because it is no longer an "insured" under a SpinCo insurance policy, then SpinCo shall, to the extent permitted by applicable Law and the terms of such insurance policy, assert such claim in its own name and deliver the Insurance Proceeds to Nuance.

(b) With respect to SpinCo Policy Pre-Separation Insurance Claims, whether or not known or reported on or prior to the Distribution Date, Nuance shall, or shall cause the applicable member of the Nuance Group to, report such claims arising from the Nuance Business as soon as practicable to each of SpinCo and the applicable insurer(s), and Nuance shall, or shall cause the applicable member of Nuance Group to, individually, and not jointly, assume and be responsible (including, upon the request of SpinCo, by reimbursement to SpinCo for amounts paid or payable by it) for the reimbursement liability (including any deductible, coinsurance or retention payment) related to its portion of the liability, unless otherwise agreed in writing by SpinCo. Each of SpinCo and Nuance shall, and shall cause each member of the SpinCo Group and Nuance Group, respectively, to, cooperate and assist the applicable member of the Nuance Group and the SpinCo Group, as applicable, with respect to such claims. The applicable member of the Nuance Group shall provide to SpinCo any collateral (or a letter of credit in an amount equal to the value of such collateral) in respect of the reimbursement obligations as may reasonably be requested by the insurers and, upon the request of SpinCo, any other collateral required by the insurers in respect of insurance policies under which SpinCo Policy Pre-Separation Insurance Claims may be recoverable based upon SpinCo's reasonable estimate of the proportion of the requested collateral attributable to claims that may be made by the Nuance Group. SpinCo agrees that SpinCo Policy Pre-Separation Insurance Claims of members of the SpinCo Group and be treated equitably in all respects, including in connection with deductibles, retentions and coinsurance.

Section 8.04 <u>Insurance Proceeds</u>. Except as set forth on <u>Schedule XXIII</u>, any Insurance Proceeds received by the Nuance Group for members of the SpinCo Group or by the SpinCo Group for members of the Nuance Group shall be for the benefit, respectively, of the SpinCo Group (in the former case) or the Nuance Group (in the latter case). Any Insurance Proceeds received for the benefit of both the Nuance Group and the SpinCo Group shall be distributed <u>pro rata</u> based on the respective share of the underlying loss.

Section 8.05 <u>Claims Not Reimbursed</u>. Nuance shall not be liable to SpinCo for claims, or portions of claims, not reimbursed by insurers under any policy for any reason, including coinsurance provisions, deductibles, quota share deductibles, self-insured retentions, bankruptcy or insolvency of any insurance carrier(s), policy limitations or restrictions (including exhaustion of limits), any coverage disputes, any failure to timely file a claim by any member of the Nuance Group or any member of the SpinCo Group or any defect in such claim or its processing. In the event that insurable claims of both Nuance and SpinCo (or the members of their

respective Groups) exist relating to the same occurrence, the Parties shall jointly defend and waive any conflict of interest necessary to the conduct of the joint defense and shall not settle or compromise any such claim without the consent of the other (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed subject to the terms and conditions of the applicable insurance policy). Nothing in this <u>Section 8.05</u> shall be construed to limit or otherwise alter in any way the obligations of the Parties, including those created by this Agreement, by operation of Law or otherwise.

Section 8.06 <u>D&O Policies</u>. On and after the Distribution Date, Nuance shall not, and shall cause the members of the Nuance Group not to, take any action that would limit the coverage of the individuals who acted as directors or officers of SpinCo (or members of the SpinCo Group) prior to the Distribution Date under any directors and officers liability insurance policies or fiduciary liability insurance policies (collectively, "<u>D&O Policies</u>") maintained by the members of the Nuance Group in respect of claims relating to a period prior to the Distribution Date. Nuance shall, and shall cause the members of the Nuance Group to, reasonably cooperate with the individuals who acted as directors or officers of SpinCo (or members of the SpinCo Group) prior to the Distribution Date in their pursuit of any coverage claims under such D&O Policies which could inure to the benefit of such individuals. Nuance shall, and shall cause members of the Nuance Group to, allow SpinCo and its agents and representatives, upon reasonable prior notice and during regular business hours, to examine the relevant D&O Policies maintained by Nuance and members of the Nuance Group pursuant to this <u>Section 8.06</u>. Nuance shall provide, and shall cause other members of the Nuance Group to provide, such cooperation as is reasonably requested by SpinCo in order for SpinCo to have in effect on and after the Distribution Date such new D&O Policies as SpinCo deems appropriate with respect to claims reported on or after the Distribution Date. Except as provided in this <u>Section 8.06</u>, the Nuance Group may, at any time, without liability or obligation to the SpinCo Group, amend, commute, terminate, buy-out, extinguish liability under or otherwise modify any "occurrence-based" insurance policy or "claims-made-based" insurance policy (and such claims will be subject to any such amendments, commutations, terminations, buy-outs, extinguishments and modifications); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that Nuance will notify SpinCo of any termination of any insurance

Section 8.07 <u>Insurance Cooperation</u>. The Parties shall use reasonable best efforts to cooperate with respect to the various insurance matters contemplated by this <u>Article VIII</u>.

#### ARTICLE IX

# FURTHER ASSURANCES AND ADDITIONAL COVENANTS

Section 9.01 Further Assurances.

(a) In addition to the actions specifically provided for elsewhere in this Agreement, but subject to the express limitations of this Agreement and of the Ancillary Agreements, each of the Parties shall, subject to Section 5.03, use reasonable best efforts, prior to, on and after the Distribution Date, to take, or cause to be taken, all actions, and to do, or cause to be done, all things, reasonably necessary, proper or advisable under applicable Laws and agreements to consummate, and make effective, the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

- (b) Without limiting the foregoing, but subject to the express limitations of this Agreement and of the Ancillary Agreements, prior to, on and after the Distribution Date, each Party shall cooperate with the other Party, without any further consideration, but at the expense of the requesting Party: (i) to execute and deliver, or use reasonable best efforts to execute and deliver, or cause to be executed and delivered, all instruments, including any instruments of conveyance, assignment and transfer as such Party may reasonably be requested to execute and deliver by the other Party; (ii) to make, or cause to be made, all filings with, and to obtain, or cause to be obtained, all Consents of any Governmental Authority or any other Person under any permit, license, Contract, indenture or other instrument; (iii) to obtain, or cause to be obtained, any Governmental Approvals or other Consents required to effect the Spin-Off; and (iv) to take, or cause to be taken, all such other actions as such Party may reasonably be requested to take by the other Party from time to time, consistent with the terms of this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements, in order to effectuate the provisions and purposes of this Agreement, the Ancillary Agreements and any transfers of Assets or assignments and assumptions of Liabilities hereunder and the other transactions contemplated hereby.
- (c) On or prior to the Distribution Date, Nuance and SpinCo, in their respective capacities as direct and indirect stockholders of their respective Subsidiaries, shall each ratify any actions that are reasonably necessary or desirable to be taken by SpinCo or any other Subsidiary of Nuance, as the case may be, to effectuate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.
- (d) Prior to the Distribution, if either Party identifies any commercial or other service that is needed to ensure a smooth and orderly transition of its business in connection with the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, and that is not otherwise governed by the provisions of this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement, the Parties will cooperate in good faith to determine whether there is a mutually acceptable arm's-length basis on which the other Party will provide such service.

# Section 9.02 Non-Solicit.

- (a) SpinCo agrees that, for a period of 8 months following the Distribution Date, it shall not, and shall cause its Subsidiaries and Affiliates not to, without the prior written consent of Nuance, directly or indirectly, on its own behalf or in the service or on behalf of others, hire or attempt to hire, whether as an employee, consultant, independent contractor or otherwise, any employee or consultant of the Nuance Group.
- (b) Nuance agrees that, for a period of 8 months following the Distribution Date, it shall not, and shall cause its Subsidiaries and Affiliates not to, without the prior written consent of SpinCo, directly or indirectly, on its own behalf or in the service or on behalf of others, hire or attempt to hire, whether as an employee, consultant, independent contractor or otherwise, any employee or consultant of the SpinCo Group.

(c) If a final and non-appealable judicial determination is made that any provision of this Section 9.02 constitutes an unreasonable or otherwise unenforceable restriction with respect to any particular jurisdiction, the provisions of this Section 9.02 will not be rendered void but will be deemed to be modified solely with respect to the applicable jurisdiction to the minimum extent necessary to remain in force and effect for the greatest period and to the greatest extent that such court determines constitutes a reasonable restriction under the circumstances.

# ARTICLE X

# **TERMINATION**

Section 10.01 <u>Termination</u>. This Agreement may be terminated by Nuance at any time, in its sole discretion, prior to the Distribution.

Section 10.02 <u>Effect of Termination</u>. In the event of any termination of this Agreement prior to the Distribution, neither Party (nor any member of their Group or any of their respective directors or officers) shall have any Liability or further obligation to the other Party or any member of its Group under this Agreement or the Ancillary Agreements.

#### ARTICLE XI

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

# Section 11.01 Counterparts; Entire Agreement; Corporate Power.

- (a) This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, all of which counterparts shall be considered one and the same agreement, and shall become effective when one or more counterparts have been signed by each Party and delivered to the other Party. This Agreement may be executed by facsimile or PDF signature and scanned and exchanged by electronic mail, and such facsimile or PDF signature or scanned and exchanged copies shall constitute an original for all purposes.
- (b) This Agreement, the Ancillary Agreements and the Appendices, Exhibits and Schedules hereto and thereto contain the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersede all previous agreements, negotiations, discussions, writings, understandings, commitments and conversations with respect to such subject matter, and there are no agreements or understandings between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof other than those set forth or referred to herein or therein. In the event of conflict or inconsistency between the provisions of this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement, on the one hand, and the provisions of any Local Transfer Agreement, on the other hand, the provisions of this Agreement and any such any Ancillary Agreement shall prevail and remain in full force and effect; without limiting the foregoing, no Assets or Liabilities, other than SpinCo Assets and SpinCo Liabilities (in each case, as defined in this Agreement), shall be transferred by Seller (as defined in the Local Transfer Agreements) or accepted by Buyer (as defined in the Local Transfer Agreements) under the Local Transfer Agreements notwithstanding anything to the contrary therein (including the definition of SpinCo Assets and SpinCo Liabilities (in each case, as defined in the Local Transfer Agreements)). Each Party hereto shall, and shall cause each of its Subsidiaries to, implement the provisions of and the transactions contemplated by the Local Transfer Agreement in accordance with the immediately preceding sentence.
- (c) Nuance represents on behalf of itself and each other member of the Nuance Group, and SpinCo represents on behalf of itself and each other member of the SpinCo Group, as follows:
  - (i) each such Person has the requisite corporate or other power and authority and has taken all corporate or other action necessary in order to execute, deliver and perform each of this Agreement and each Ancillary Agreement to which it is a party and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby; and
  - (ii) this Agreement and each Ancillary Agreement to which it is a party has been (or, in the case of any Ancillary Agreement, will be on or prior to the Distribution Date) duly executed and delivered by it and constitutes, or will constitute, a valid and binding agreement of it enforceable in accordance with the terms thereof.

Section 11.02 <u>Dispute Resolution</u>. In furtherance of the provisions set forth in <u>Section 6.02</u> and <u>Section 6.03</u>, in the event that either Party, acting reasonably, forms the view that

another Party has caused a material breach of the terms of this Agreement, then the Party that forms such a view shall serve written notice of the alleged breach on the other Party and the Parties shall work together in good faith to resolve any such alleged breach within thirty (30) days of such notice (a "<u>Dispute</u>"). If any such alleged breach is not so resolved, then a senior executive of each Party shall, in good faith, attempt to resolve any such alleged breach within the following thirty (30) days of the referral of the matter to the senior executives. If no resolution is reached with respect to any such alleged breach in accordance with the procedures contained in this <u>Section 11.02</u>, then the Parties may seek to resolve such matter in accordance with Section 6.02, Section 6.03, Section 11.03, Section 11.04, Section 11.05 and Section 11.06.

Section 11.03 Governing Law; Jurisdiction. Any disputes relating to, arising out of or resulting from this Agreement, including to its execution, performance, or enforcement, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the Laws of the State of Delaware, regardless of the Laws that might otherwise govern under applicable principles of conflicts of Laws thereof. Each Party irrevocably consents to the exclusive jurisdiction, forum and venue of the Delaware Court of Chancery (and if the Delaware Court of Chancery shall be unavailable, any Delaware State court or the federal court sitting in the State of Delaware) over any and all claims, disputes, controversies or disagreements between the Parties or any of their respective Affiliates, successors and assigns under or related to this Agreement or any of the transactions contemplated hereby, including their execution, performance or enforcement, whether in contract, tort or otherwise. Each of the Parties hereby agrees that it shall not assert, and shall hereby waive, any claim or right or defense that it is not subject to the jurisdiction of such courts, that the venue is improper, that the forum is inconvenient or any similar objection, claim or argument. Each Party agrees that a final judgment in any legal proceeding resolved in accordance with this Section 11.03, Section 11.04, Section 11.05 and Section 11.06 shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by applicable Law.

Section 11.04 Waiver of Jury Trial. EACH PARTY HEREBY WAIVES ITS RIGHTS TO A JURY TRIAL OF ANY CLAIM OR CAUSE OF ACTION RELATING TO, ARISING OUT OF OR RESULTING FROM THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY INCLUDING THEIR EXECUTION, PERFORMANCE OR ENFORCEMENT, WHETHER IN CONTRACT, TORT OR OTHERWISE. THE SCOPE OF THIS WAIVER IS INTENDED TO BE ALL-ENCOMPASSING OF ANY AND ALL DISPUTES THAT MAY BE FILED IN ANY COURT AND THAT RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS TRANSACTION, INCLUDING CONTRACT CLAIMS, TORT CLAIMS (INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE), BREACH OF DUTY CLAIMS AND ALL OTHER COMMON LAW AND STATUTORY CLAIMS. THIS SECTION HAS BEEN FULLY DISCUSSED BY EACH OF THE PARTIES AND THESE PROVISIONS WILL NOT BE SUBJECT TO ANY EXCEPTIONS.

Section 11.05 <u>Court-Ordered Interim Relief.</u> In accordance with <u>Section 11.03</u> and <u>Section 11.04</u>, at any time after giving notice of a Dispute, each Party shall be entitled to interim measures of protection duly granted by a court of competent jurisdiction: (1) to preserve the status quo pending resolution of the Dispute; (2) to prevent the destruction or loss of documents and other information or things relating to the Dispute; or (3) to prevent the transfer, disposition or hiding of assets. Any such interim measure (or a request therefor to a court of competent jurisdiction) shall not be deemed incompatible with the provisions of <u>Section 11.02</u>, <u>Section 11.03</u>

and <u>Section 11.04</u>. Until such Dispute is resolved in accordance with <u>Section 11.02</u> or final judgment is rendered in accordance with <u>Section 11.03</u> and <u>Section 11.04</u>, each Party agrees that such Party shall continue to perform its obligations under this Agreement and that such obligations shall not be subject to any defense or setoff, counterclaim, recoupment or termination.

Section 11.06 Specific Performance. Subject to Section 11.02 and Section 11.05, in the event of any actual or threatened default in, or breach of, any of the terms, conditions and provisions of this Agreement, the affected Party shall have the right to specific performance and injunctive or other equitable relief of its rights under this Agreement, in addition to any and all other rights and remedies at Law or in equity, and all such rights and remedies shall be cumulative. The other Party shall not oppose the granting of such relief on the basis that money damages are an adequate remedy. The Parties agree that the remedies at Law for any breach or threatened breach hereof, including monetary damages, are inadequate compensation for any loss and that any defense in any action for specific performance that a remedy at Law would be adequate is waived. Any requirements for the securing or posting of any bond or similar security with such remedy are waived.

Section 11.07 Assignability. Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests or obligations under this Agreement shall be assigned, in whole or in part, by operation of Law or otherwise by either Party without the prior written consent of the other Party. Any purported assignment without such consent shall be void. Subject to the preceding sentences, this Agreement will be binding upon, inure to the benefit of, and be enforceable by, the Parties and their respective successors and assigns. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any Party to this Agreement (or any of its successors or permitted assigns) (a) shall enter into a consolidation or merger transaction in which such Party is not the surviving entity and the surviving entity acquires or assumes all or substantially all of such Party's Assets or (b) shall transfer all or substantially all of such Party's Assets to any Person, then, in each such case, the assigning Party (or its successors or permitted assigns, as applicable) shall ensure that the assignee or successor-in-interest expressly assumes in writing all of the obligations of the assigning Party under this Agreement, and the assigning Party shall not be required to seek consent, but shall provide written notice and evidence of such assignment, assumption or succession to the non-assigning Party. No assignment permitted by this Section 11.07 shall release the assigning Party from liability for the full performance of its obligations under this Agreement.

Section 11.08 Third-Party Beneficiaries. Except as expressly set forth in Section 7.10 and for the indemnification rights under this Agreement of any Nuance Indemnitee or SpinCo Indemnitee in his, her or its respective capacities as such, (a) the provisions of this Agreement are solely for the benefit of the Parties hereto and are not intended to confer upon any Person except the Parties hereto any rights or remedies hereunder and (b) there are no third-party beneficiaries of this Agreement and this Agreement shall not provide any third person with any remedy, claim, liability, reimbursement, cause of action or other right in excess of those existing without reference to this Agreement.

Section 11.09 Notices. All notices or other communications under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to be duly given (a) when delivered in person, (b) on the date received, if sent by a nationally recognized delivery or courier service, (c) upon written confirmation of receipt after transmittal by electronic mail or (d) upon the earlier of

confirmed receipt or the fifth (5th) business day following the date of mailing if sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid and addressed as follows:

# If to Nuance, to:

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Either Party may, by notice to the other Party, change the address and identity of the Person to which such notices and copies of such notices are to be given. Each Party agrees that nothing in this Agreement shall affect the other Party's right to serve process in any other manner permitted by Law (including pursuant to the rules for foreign service of process authorized by the Hague Convention).

Section 11.10 Severability. If any provision of this Agreement or the application thereof to any Person or circumstance is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void or unenforceable, the remaining provisions hereof, or the application of such provision to Persons or circumstances, or in jurisdictions other than those as to which it has been held invalid or unenforceable, shall remain in full force and effect and shall in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated thereby, so long as the economic or legal substance of the transactions contemplated hereby is not affected in any manner materially adverse to either Party. Upon any such determination, any such provision, to the extent determined to be invalid, void or unenforceable, shall be deemed replaced by a provision that such court determines is valid and enforceable and that comes closest to expressing the intention of the invalid, void or unenforceable provision.

Section 11.11 Publicity. Each of Nuance and SpinCo shall consult with the other, and shall, subject to the requirements of Section 7.09, provide the other Party the opportunity to review and comment upon any press releases or other public statements in connection with the Spin-Off or any of the other transactions contemplated hereby and any filings with any Governmental Authority or national securities exchange with respect thereto, in each case prior to the issuance or filing thereof, as applicable (including the Information Statement, the Parties' respective Current Reports on Form 8-K to be filed on the Distribution Date, the Parties' respective Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q filed with respect to the fiscal quarter during which the Distribution Date occurs, or if such quarter is the fourth fiscal quarter, the Parties' respective Annual Reports on Form 10-K filed with respect to the fiscal year during which the Distribution Date occurs (each such Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q or Annual Report on Form 10-K, a "First Post-Distribution Report")). Each Party's obligations pursuant to this Section 11.11 shall terminate on the date on which such Party's First Post-Distribution Report is filed with the Commission.

Section 11.12 <u>Expenses</u>. Except as set forth on <u>Schedule XXIV</u>, as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement or in any Ancillary Agreement, (i) all third-party fees, costs and expenses incurred by

either the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group in connection with effecting the Spin-Off prior to or on the Distribution Date, whether payable prior to, on or following the Distribution Date (but excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, any financing fees or interest payable in respect of any indebtedness incurred by SpinCo in connection with the Spin-Off), will be borne and paid by Nuance and (ii) all third-party fees, costs and expenses incurred by either the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group in connection with effecting the Spin-Off following the Distribution Date, whether payable prior to, on or following the Distribution Date, will be borne and paid by the Party incurring such fee, cost or expense. For the avoidance of doubt, this Section 11.12 shall not affect each Party's responsibility to indemnify Nuance Liabilities or SpinCo Liabilities, as applicable, arising from the transactions contemplated by the Distribution.

- Section 11.13 <u>Headings</u>. The article, section and paragraph headings contained in this Agreement, including in the table of contents of this Agreement, are for reference purposes only and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
- Section 11.14 <u>Survival of Covenants</u>. Except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, the covenants in this Agreement and the Liabilities for the breach of any obligations in this Agreement shall survive the Spin-Off and shall remain in full force and effect.
- Section 11.15 <u>Waivers of Default</u>. No failure or delay of any Party (or the applicable member of its Group) in exercising any right or remedy under this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right or power, or any abandonment or discontinuance of steps to enforce such right or power, or any course of conduct, preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right or power. Waiver by any Party of any default by the other Party of any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver by the waiving Party of any subsequent or other default.
- Section 11.16 <u>Amendments</u>. No provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed waived, amended, supplemented or modified by any Party, unless such waiver, amendment, supplement or modification is in writing and signed by the authorized representative of each Party.

Section 11.17 Interpretation. Words in the singular shall be held to include the plural and vice versa and words of one gender shall be held to include the other gender as the context requires. The terms "hereof," "herein," "herewith" and words of similar import, unless otherwise stated, shall be construed to refer to this Agreement as a whole (including all of the schedules hereto) and not to any particular provision of this Agreement. Article, Section or Schedule references are to the articles, sections and schedules of or to this Agreement unless otherwise specified. Any capitalized terms used in any Schedule to this Agreement or to any Ancillary Agreement but not otherwise defined therein shall have the meaning as defined in this Agreement or the Ancillary Agreement to which such Schedule is attached, as applicable. Any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument or other document herein (including any reference herein to this Agreement) shall, unless otherwise stated, 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 therein, including in Section 11.16 above). The word "including" and words of similar import when used in this Agreement shall mean "including, without limitation," unless the context otherwise requires or unless otherwise specified. The word "or" shall not be exclusive. The word "extent" in the phrase "to the extent" shall mean the degree to which a subject or other thing extends, and such phrase shall not mean simply "if." All references to "\$" or dollar amounts are to the lawful currency of the United States of America. In the event that an ambiguity or question of intent or interpretation arises, this Agreement shall be construed as if drafted jointly by the Parties, and no presumption or burden of proof shall arise favoring or disfavoring either Party by virtue of the authorship of any provisions hereof

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Separation and Distribution Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives.

# NUANCE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By: /s/ Wendy Cassity

Name: Wendy Cassity

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Legal

Officer

# CERENCE INC.

By: /s/ Leanne Fitzgerald

Name: Leanne Fitzgerald

Title: Vice President and Secretary

[Signature Page to Separation and Distribution Agreement]

### AMENDED AND RESTATED

### CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

OF

### CERENCE INC.

### October 1, 2019

CERENCE INC., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, DOES HEREBY CERTIFY AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The name of the corporation is Cerence Inc. The corporation was originally formed as a limited liability company in the State of Delaware on February 14, 2019. The corporation converted from a limited liability company to a corporation on August 29, 2019, upon the filing of the Certificate of Conversion with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware. The original Certificate of Incorporation of the corporation was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on August 29, 2019 (as amended and in effect immediately prior to the adoption and effectiveness hereof, the "Original Certificate of Incorporation").
- 2. This Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation has been duly adopted in accordance with Sections 242 and 245 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "<u>DGCL</u>"), and by the written consent of its sole stockholder in accordance with Section 228 of the DGCL, and shall be effective as of 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on October 1, 2019.
  - 3. The Original Certificate of Incorporation is hereby amended and restated to read in its entirety as follows:

#### ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation (hereinafter called the "Corporation") is Cerence Inc.

### ARTICLE II

The address of the Corporation's registered office in the State of Delaware is 1209 Orange Street, The Corporation Trust Center, Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware 19801. The name of the Corporation's registered agent at such address is The Corporation Trust Company.

### ARTICLE III

The purpose of the Corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the DGCL.

#### ARTICLE IV

Section 4.1 The total number of shares of all classes of stock which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is 600,000,000 shares of capital stock, consisting of (a) 40,000,000 shares of Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("Preferred Stock"), and (b) 560,000,000 shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("Common Stock"). The number of authorized shares of either the Preferred Stock or the Common Stock may be increased or decreased (but not below the number of shares thereof then outstanding) by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority in voting power of the stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon irrespective of the provisions of Section 242(b)(2) of the DGCL (or any successor provision thereto), voting as a single class, and no vote of the holders of either the Preferred Stock or the Common Stock voting separately as a class shall be required therefor.

Section 4.2 The Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "Board of Directors") is hereby expressly authorized, by resolution or resolutions and without stockholder approval, to provide, out of the unissued shares of Preferred Stock, for series of Preferred Stock and, with respect to each such series, to fix the number of shares constituting such series and the designation of such series, the voting powers (if any) of the shares of such series, and the preferences and relative, participating, optional or other special rights, if any, and any qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, of the shares of such series. The powers, preferences and relative, participating, optional and other special rights of each series of Preferred Stock, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, if any, may differ from those of any and all other series at any time outstanding.

Section 4.3 (a) Each holder of Common Stock, as such, shall be entitled to one vote for each share of Common Stock held of record by such holder on all matters on which stockholders generally are entitled to vote; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that, except as otherwise required by law, holders of Common Stock, as such, shall not be entitled to vote on any amendment to this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (including any Certificate of Designation relating to any series of Preferred Stock) that relates solely to the terms of one or more outstanding series of Preferred Stock if the holders of such affected series are entitled, either separately or together with the holders of one or more other such series, to vote thereon pursuant to this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (including any Certificate of Designation relating to any series of Preferred Stock) or pursuant to the DGCL.

- (b) Except as otherwise required by law, holders of a series of Preferred Stock, as such, shall be entitled only to such voting rights, if any, as shall expressly be granted to such holders by this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (including any Certificate of Designation relating to such series).
- (c) Subject to applicable law and the rights, if any, of the holders of any outstanding series of Preferred Stock, dividends may be declared and paid on the Common Stock at such times and in such amounts as the Board of Directors in its discretion shall determine.

- (d) Upon the dissolution, liquidation or winding up of the Corporation, subject to the rights, if any, of the holders of any outstanding series of Preferred Stock, the holders of the Common Stock, as such, shall be entitled to receive the assets of the Corporation available for distribution to its stockholders ratably in proportion to the number of shares held by them. For the avoidance of doubt, a dissolution, liquidation or winding up shall not be deemed to be occasioned by or to include, without limitation, any voluntary consolidation, reorganization, conversion or merger of the Corporation with or into any other corporation or entity or other corporation or entities or a sale, lease, transfer, exchange or conveyance of all or a part of the Corporation's assets.
  - (e) Shares of Common Stock shall not entitle any holder thereof to any pre-emptive, subscription, redemption or conversion rights.

#### ARTICLE V

Section 5.1 (a) The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by or under the direction of the Board of Directors. Except as otherwise fixed pursuant to the terms of any outstanding series of Preferred Stock pursuant to this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (including any Certificate of Designation relating to such series of Preferred Stock), the number of directors of the Corporation shall be fixed from time to time by the Board of Directors. In no event shall a decrease in the number of directors constituting the Board of Directors shorten the term of any incumbent director.

(b) The directors, other than those who may be elected by the holders of any series of Preferred Stock voting separately pursuant to this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (including any Certificate of Designation relating to such series of Preferred Stock), shall be elected by the stockholders entitled to vote thereon at each annual meeting of the stockholders. From the effective date of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation until the election of the directors at the 2023 annual meeting of stockholders, the directors of the Corporation shall be divided into three classes, designated Class I, Class II and Class III. Each class shall consist, as nearly as may be possible, of one-third of the total number of directors constituting the entire Board of Directors. If the number of directors has changed, any increase or decrease shall be apportioned among the classes so as to maintain the number of directors in each class as nearly equal as possible, and any additional director of any class elected to fill a vacancy resulting from an increase in such class shall hold office for a term that shall coincide with the remaining term of that class. The initial assignment of directors to each such class shall be made by the Board of Directors. The term of office of the initial Class I directors shall expire at the 2020 annual meeting of stockholders, the term of office of the initial Class II directors shall expire at the 2021 annual meeting of stockholders and the term of office of the initial Class III directors shall belong to the same class as the director whose term shall have then expired and who is being succeeded by such director. Each Class III director elected at the 2020 annual meeting of stockholders and each Class III director elected at the 2022 annual meeting of stockholders shall hold office until the 2023 annual meeting of stockholders and, in each case, until his or her respective

successor shall have been duly elected and qualified or until his or her earlier resignation or removal. Commencing with the 2023 annual meeting of stockholders, each director shall be elected annually and shall hold office until the next annual meeting of stockholders and until his or her respective successor shall have been duly elected and qualified or until his or her earlier resignation or removal. Pursuant to such procedures, effective as of the conclusion of the 2023 annual meeting of stockholders, the Board of Directors will no longer be classified under Section 141(d) of the DGCL and directors shall no longer be divided into three classes. The election of directors need not be by written ballot.

Section 5.2 Advance notice of nominations for the election of directors shall be given in the manner and to the extent provided in the By-laws of the Corporation.

Section 5.3 (a) Except as otherwise provided for or fixed by or pursuant to the provisions of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation relating to the rights of the holders of any outstanding series of Preferred Stock (including any Certificate of Designation relating to such series of Preferred Stock), newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the number of directors and any vacancies on the Board of Directors resulting from death, resignation, removal or other cause shall only be filled by the Board of Directors by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining directors then in office, even though less than a quorum of the Board of Directors, or by a sole remaining director. Any director elected in accordance with the first sentence of this Section 5.3 shall hold office until the earlier of the expiration of the term of office of the director he or she has replaced, a successor shall have been duly elected and qualified or until his or her death, resignation or removal.

(b) From the effective date of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation until the election of directors at the 2023 annual meeting of stockholders, any director or the entire Board of Directors may only be removed for cause, such removal to require the affirmative vote of shares representing at least a majority of the voting power of the then outstanding shares of all classes and series of capital stock of the Corporation entitled generally to vote on the election of directors of the Corporation. From and after the 2023 annual meeting of stockholders, any director or the entire Board of Directors may be removed with or without cause, and, in either case, such removal shall require the affirmative vote of shares representing at least a majority of the voting power of the then outstanding shares of all classes and series of capital stock of the Corporation entitled generally to vote on the election of directors of the Corporation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, whenever holders of outstanding shares of one or more series of Preferred Stock voting separately are entitled to elect directors of the Corporation pursuant to the provisions of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (including any Certificate of Designation).

#### ARTICLE VI

Subject to the rights of the holders of any outstanding series of Preferred Stock, any action required or permitted to be taken by the stockholders of the Corporation must be effected at a duly called annual or special meeting of stockholders of the Corporation and may not be effected by any consent in writing by such stockholders. Except as otherwise required by law and subject to the rights of the holders of any outstanding series of Preferred Stock, special meetings of stockholders of the Corporation may only be called by the Chairman of the Board of Directors or the Board of Directors pursuant to a resolution approved by a majority of the entire Board of Directors (the entire Board of Directors being the total number of authorized directors, whether or not there exist any vacancies or unfilled previously authorized directorships) or as otherwise provided in the By-laws of the Corporation.

# ARTICLE VII

In furtherance and not in limitation of the powers conferred upon it by law, the Board of Directors is expressly authorized to adopt, repeal, alter or amend the By-laws of the Corporation by the vote of a majority of the entire Board of Directors (the entire Board of Directors being the total number of authorized directors, whether or not there exist any vacancies or unfilled previously authorized directorships). In addition to any requirements of law and any other provision of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (and notwithstanding the fact that a lesser percentage may be specified by law), the affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority of the combined voting power of the then outstanding shares of all classes and series of capital stock of the Corporation entitled generally to vote in the election of directors of the Corporation, voting together as a single class, shall be required for stockholders to adopt, amend, alter or repeal any provision of the By-laws of the Corporation.

# ARTICLE VIII

The Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter or repeal any provision contained in this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by statute, and all rights conferred upon stockholders herein are subject to this reservation.

# ARTICLE IX

Section 9.1 To the fullest extent that the DGCL or any other law of the State of Delaware as it exists or as it may hereafter be amended permits the limitation or elimination of the liability of directors, no director of the Corporation shall be liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director.

Section 9.2 To the fullest extent that the DGCL or any other law of the State of Delaware as it exists or as it may hereafter be amended permits, including to the extent that such law or amendment permits the Corporation to provide broader indemnification rights than permitted prior to such law or amendment, the Corporation may provide indemnification of (and advancement of expenses to) (a) its current and former, and any predecessor to the Corporation's former, managers, directors, officers, employees and agents, (b) persons whose testators or intestates are a current or former director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or any predecessor to the Corporation and (c) any other persons to which the DGCL permits the Corporation to provide indemnification through By-law provisions, agreements with such agents or other persons, votes of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise.

Section 9.3 No amendment to or repeal of any Section of this <u>Article IX</u>, nor the adoption of any provision of this <u>Amended and Restated</u> Certificate of Incorporation inconsistent with this <u>Article IX</u>, shall eliminate or reduce the effect of this <u>Article IX</u>, in respect of any matter occurring, or any action or proceeding accruing or arising, prior to such amendment, repeal or adoption of an inconsistent provision.

### ARTICLE X

Unless the Corporation consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the sole and exclusive forum for (a) any derivative action or proceeding brought on behalf of the Corporation, (b) any action asserting a claim of breach of a fiduciary duty owed by any current or former director, officer or other employee or stockholder of the Corporation to the Corporation or the Corporation's stockholders, (c) any action asserting a claim arising pursuant to any provision of the DGCL (or any successor provision thereto) or as to which the DGCL (or any successor provision thereto) confers jurisdiction on the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware, (d) any action asserting a claim governed by the internal affairs doctrine or (e) any other action asserting an "internal corporate claim" as that term is defined in Section 115 of the DGCL shall be the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware, in all cases to the fullest extent permitted by law, or, if the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware does not have jurisdiction, any other state or federal court located within the State of Delaware.

### ARTICLE XI

The Corporation is to have perpetual existence.

#### ARTICLE XII

If any provision (or any part thereof) of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation shall be held invalid, illegal or unenforceable as applied to any circumstance for any reason whatsoever: (a) the validity, legality and enforceability of such provisions in any other circumstance and of the remaining provisions of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (including, without limitation, each portion of any section of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable that is not itself held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby and (b) to the fullest extent possible, the provisions of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (including, without limitation, each such portion of any section containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall be construed so as to permit the Corporation to protect its directors, officers, employees and agents from personal liability in respect of their good faith service or for the benefit of the Corporation to the fullest extent permitted by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Cerence Inc. has caused this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to be duly executed in its corporate name as of the date first written above.

CERENCE INC.

By: /s/ Leanne Fitzgerald

Name: Leanne Fitzgerald

Title: Vice President and Secretary

### CERENCE INC.

### AMENDED AND RESTATED BY-LAWS

### Effective as of October 1, 2019

### ARTICLE I

### **Offices**

SECTION 1.1 <u>Registered Office</u>. The registered office of Cerence Inc. (hereinafter, the "<u>Corporation</u>") in the State of Delaware shall be at 1209 Orange Street, Corporation Trust Center, Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware 19801, and the registered agent shall be Corporation Trust Company, or such other office or agent as the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "<u>Board</u>") shall from time to time select.

SECTION 1.2 Other Offices. The Corporation may also have an office or offices, and keep the books and records of the Corporation, except as may otherwise be required by law, at such other place or places, either within or outside of the State of Delaware, as the Board may from time to time determine or the business of the Corporation may require.

#### ARTICLE II

# Meetings of Stockholders

SECTION 2.1 <u>Place of Meeting</u>. All meetings of the stockholders of the Corporation (the "<u>stockholders</u>") shall be at a place either within or outside of the State of Delaware, or by means of remote communication, to be determined by the Board and as specified in the notice of meeting. In the absence of such a determination, a meeting of stockholders shall be held at the principal executive office of the Corporation.

SECTION 2.2 <u>Annual Meetings</u>. The annual meeting of the stockholders for the election of directors and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting shall be held on such date and at such hour as shall from time to time be fixed by the Board. Any previously scheduled annual meeting of the stockholders may be postponed, rescheduled or cancelled by action of the Board taken prior to the time previously scheduled for such annual meeting of the stockholders.

# SECTION 2.3 Special Meetings.

(a) Except as otherwise required by law or the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation (the "<u>Certificate</u>"), and subject to the rights of the holders of any outstanding series of Preferred Stock, special meetings of the stockholders for any purpose or purposes may be called by the Chairperson of the Board or a majority of the Whole Board (as hereinafter defined). Subject to the satisfaction of the requirements of these bylaws, a special meeting of the stockholders shall be called by the

Chairperson of the Board upon the written request of holders of an aggregate of at least twenty percent (20%) of all of the votes entitled to be cast on any issue to be considered at the proposed special meeting (such a meeting, a "<u>Stockholder Requested Special Meeting</u>"). Only such business as is specified in the Corporation's notice of any special meeting of stockholders shall come before such meeting. A special meeting shall be held at such place (or remotely), on such date and at such time as shall be fixed by the Board. Any previously scheduled special meeting of the stockholders may be postponed, rescheduled or (except in the case of a Stockholder Requested Special Meeting) cancelled by action of the Board taken prior to the time previously scheduled for such special meeting of the stockholders. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Chairman of the Board shall not be required to call a Stockholder Requested Special Meeting if (i) the Board has called or calls an annual meeting of stockholders to be held not later than ninety (90)days after the applicable stockholder request where the Board determines in good faith that the business of such annual meeting (among any other matters properly brought before the annual meeting) includes the business specified in the stockholders' request; (ii) an annual or special meeting that included the business specified in the request (as determined by the Board in good faith) was held not more than ninety (90) days before the applicable stockholder request; (iii) the request relates to an item of business that is not a proper subject for action by the stockholders of the corporation under applicable law; or (iv) was made in a manner that involved a violation of applicable law.

- (b) Any request for a Stockholder Requested Special Meeting shall (i) be signed and dated by each requesting stockholder (or their duly authorized agents) and delivered to the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation, (ii) set forth a statement of the specific purpose or purposes of the proposed meeting and the matters proposed to be acted on at such meeting, and (iii) include the information that would be required in a Notice of Business (as defined below) pursuant to Section 2.7(c) of Article II of these bylaws with respect to an annual meeting, including with respect to the stockholders requesting the Stockholder Requested Special Meeting (treating such requesting stockholders as the Proponents thereunder), and any business proposed to be conducted. Any nomination of directors for election at a special meeting at which directors are to be elected shall be made in accordance with Section 3.3 of Article III of these bylaws. In addition, the stockholder and any duly authorized agent shall promptly provide any other information reasonably requested by the Corporation. A stockholder providing a request for business proposed to be brought before a Stockholder Requested Special Meeting shall update and supplement such request in accordance with Section 2.7(d).
- (c) A stockholder may revoke a request for a Stockholder Requested Special Meeting at any time by written revocation delivered to the Secretary, and if, following such revocation there are un-revoked requests from stockholders holding in the aggregate less than the requisite number of shares entitling the stockholders to request the calling of a Stockholder Requested Special Meeting, the Board, in its discretion, may cancel the Stockholder Requested Special Meeting. If none of the stockholders who submitted the request for a Stockholder Requested Special Meeting appears or sends a qualified representative to present the nominations proposed to be presented or other business proposed to be conducted at such meeting, the Corporation need not present such nominations or other business for a vote at such meeting.
- (d) Any Stockholder Requested Special Meeting shall be held at such date, time and place within or without the State of Delaware as may be fixed by the Board; provided, however, that the date of any Stockholder Requested Special Meeting shall be not more than sixty (60) days after the record date for such meeting.

SECTION 2.4 <u>Notice of Meetings</u>. Except as otherwise provided by law, notice, including by electronic transmission in the manner provided by the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "<u>DGCL</u>"), of each meeting of the stockholders, whether annual or special, shall be given by the Corporation not less than 10 days nor more than 60 days before the date of the meeting to each stockholder of record entitled to notice of the meeting. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed given when deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, directed to the stockholder at such stockholder's address as it appears on the records of the Corporation. Each such notice shall state the place (or, if applicable, that the meeting will be held remotely), the date and the hour of the meeting, and, in the case of a special meeting, the purpose or purposes for

which the meeting is called. Notice of any meeting of the stockholders shall not be required to be given to any stockholder who shall attend such meeting in person or by proxy without protesting, prior to or at the commencement of the meeting, the lack of proper notice to such stockholder, or who shall waive notice thereof as provided in <u>Article X</u> of these By-laws. Notice of adjournment of a meeting of the stockholders need not be given if the time and place, if any, to which it is adjourned are announced at such meeting, unless the adjournment is for more than 30 days or, after adjournment, a new record date is fixed for the adjourned meeting.

SECTION 2.5 <u>Quorum</u>. Except as otherwise provided by law or by the Certificate, the holders of a majority in voting power of the shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote at the meeting, present in person or by proxy, shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the stockholders; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that in the case of any vote to be taken by classes or series, the holders of a majority in voting power of the shares of any such class or series of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote at the meeting, present in person or by proxy, shall constitute a quorum of such class or series. A quorum, once established, shall not be broken by the withdrawal of enough votes to leave less than a quorum.

SECTION 2.6 <u>Adjournments</u>. The chairperson of the meeting or the holders of a majority in voting power of the shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote and who are present in person or by proxy may adjourn the meeting from time to time whether or not a quorum is present. In the event that a quorum does not exist with respect to any vote to be taken by a particular class or series, the chairperson of the meeting or the holders of a majority in voting power of the shares of such class or series who are present in person or by proxy may adjourn the meeting with respect to the vote(s) to be taken by such class or series. At any such adjourned meeting at which a quorum may be present, any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally called.

### SECTION 2.7 Order of Business.

(a) At each meeting of the stockholders, the Chairperson of the Board or, in the absence of the Chairperson of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer or, in the absence of the Chairperson of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer, such person as shall be selected by the Board, shall act as chairperson of the meeting. The order of business at each such meeting shall be as determined by the chairperson of the meeting. Business transacted at a Stockholder Requested Special Meeting shall be limited to the purposes described in the special meeting requested; provided, however, that nothing herein shall prohibit the Corporation from submitting matters to a vote of the stockholders at any Stockholder Requested Special Meeting. The chairperson of the meeting shall have the right and authority to prescribe such rules, regulations and procedures and to do all such acts and things as are necessary or desirable for the proper conduct of the meeting, including, without limitation, the establishment of procedures for the maintenance of order and safety, limitations on the time allotted to questions or comments on the affairs of the Corporation, restrictions on entry to such meeting after the time prescribed for the commencement thereof and the opening and closing of the voting polls.

(b) At any annual meeting of the stockholders, only such business shall be conducted as shall have been brought before the annual meeting (i) by or at the direction of the chairperson of the meeting or (ii) by any stockholder who is a holder of record at the time of the giving of the notice provided for in this <u>Section 2.7</u>, who is entitled to vote at the meeting and who complies with the procedures set forth in this <u>Section 2.7</u> (such business, "<u>Stockholder Business</u>"). This <u>Section 2.7</u> and <u>Section 2.3</u> are the exclusive means by which a stockholder may bring business before a meeting of stockholders.

(c) For business (other than nominations for election of directors, which are governed by Section 3.3) properly to be brought before an annual meeting of stockholders by a stockholder, the stockholder must have given timely notice thereof (a "Notice of Business") in proper written form to the Secretary of the Corporation (the "Secretary"). To be timely, a Notice of Business must be delivered to or mailed and received by the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not less than 90 days nor more than 120 days prior to the first anniversary of the date of the immediately preceding annual meeting as first specified in the Corporation's notice of meeting (without regard to any postponements or adjournments of such meeting after such notice was first sent); provided, however, that in the event that the date of the annual meeting is more than 30 days earlier or more than 60 days later than such anniversary date, a Notice of Business to be timely must be so delivered or received not earlier than the 120th day prior to such annual meeting and not later than the close of business on the later of the 90th day prior to such annual meeting or the 10th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of such meeting is first made; provided, further, that for the purpose of calculating the timeliness of a Notice of Business for the 2020 annual meeting of stockholders, the date of the immediately preceding annual meeting shall be deemed to be February 28, 2019. In no event shall the public announcement of an adjournment or postponement, or an adjournment or postponement, of a meeting commence a new time period (or extend any time period) for the giving of a stockholder's notice as described above. To be in proper written form, the Notice of Business must set forth:

(i) the name and record address of each stockholder proposing to bring business before the annual meeting (each, a "Proponent"), as they appear on the Corporation's books;

(ii) the name and address of each Stockholder Associated Person (as defined below);

(iii) as to each Proponent and each Stockholder Associated Person, (A) the class or series and number of shares of stock directly or indirectly held of record and beneficially by such Proponent and Stockholder Associated Person, (B) a description of any agreement, arrangement or understanding, direct or indirect, with respect to the business to be brought before the annual meeting, between or among any Proponent and any Stockholder Associated Person, (C) a description of any agreement, arrangement or understanding (including any derivative or short positions, profit interests, options, warrants, hedging transactions, convertible securities and borrowed or loaned shares) that has been entered into, directly or indirectly, as of the date of the notice by, or on behalf of, any Proponent or any Stockholder Associated Person, the

effect or intent of which is to mitigate loss to, manage risk or benefit of share price changes for, or increase or decrease the voting power of, any Proponent or any Stockholder Associated Person with respect to shares of stock of the Corporation (a "<u>Derivative</u>"), (D) a description in reasonable detail of any proxy (including revocable proxies), agreement, arrangement, understanding or other relationship pursuant to which any Proponent or any Stockholder Associated Person has a right to vote any shares of stock of the Corporation and (E) any profit-sharing or any performance-related fees (other than an asset-based fee) that any Proponent or any Stockholder Associated Person is entitled to, based on any increase or decrease in the value of stock of the Corporation or Derivatives thereof, if any, as of the date of such notice. The information specified in <u>Section 2.7(c)(i)</u> to (<u>iii)</u> of this Article II is referred to herein as "Stockholder Information";

- (iv) a representation that each Proponent is a holder of record of stock of the Corporation entitled to vote at the annual meeting and intends to appear in person or by proxy at the annual meeting to propose such business;
- (v) a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the annual meeting, the text of the proposal (including the text of any resolutions proposed for consideration and, if such business includes a proposal to amend the By-laws, the language of the proposed amendment) and the reasons for conducting such business at the annual meeting;
  - (vi) any material interest of any Proponent and any Stockholder Associated Person in such proposed business;
- (vii) a representation as to whether the Proponent(s) intend (A) to deliver a proxy statement and form of proxy to holders of at least the percentage of the Corporation's outstanding capital stock required to approve or adopt such Stockholder Business or (B) otherwise to solicit proxies from stockholders in support of such Stockholder Business;
- (viii) all other information that would be required to be filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("<u>SEC</u>") if the Proponent(s) or Stockholder Associated Persons were participants in a solicitation subject to Section 14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "<u>Exchange Act</u>") (or any successor of such Section); and
- (ix) a representation and agreement that each Proponent shall provide any other information reasonably requested by the Corporation.
- (d) In addition, each Proponent shall affirm as true and correct the information provided to the Corporation in the Notice of Business or at the Corporation's request pursuant to Section 2.7(c)(ix) of this Article II (and shall update or supplement such information as needed so that such information shall be true and correct) as of (i) the record date for the meeting and (ii) the date that is 10 business days prior to the announced date of the annual meeting to which the Notice of Business relates. Such affirmation, update and/or supplement must be delivered personally or mailed to, and received at the principal executive offices of the Corporation, addressed to the Secretary, by no later than five business days after the applicable date specified in clause (i) and (ii) of the foregoing sentence.

- (e) The person presiding over the meeting shall, if the facts warrant, determine and declare to the meeting that business was not properly brought before the meeting in accordance with the procedures set forth in this <u>Section 2.7</u>, and, if he or she should so determine, he or she shall so declare to the meeting and any such business not properly brought before the meeting shall not be transacted.
- (f) If the Proponent (or a qualified representative of the Proponent) does not appear at the meeting of stockholders to present the Stockholder Business, such business shall not be transacted, and votes in favor of such matter shall not be counted, notwithstanding that proxies in respect of such vote may have been received by the Corporation. A "qualified representative" of the Proponent or any stockholder means a person who is a duly authorized officer, manager or partner of such stockholder or has been authorized by a writing executed by such stockholder or an electronic transmission delivered by such stockholder to act for such stockholder as proxy with respect to the specific matter to be considered at the meeting of stockholders and such person must produce such writing or electronic transmission, or a reliable reproduction (to the reasonable satisfaction of the person presiding over the meeting) of the writing or electronic transmission, at the meeting of stockholders prior to the taking of action by such person on behalf of the stockholder.
- (g) "<u>Stockholder Associated Person</u>" means with respect to any Proponent or Nominating Stockholder, (i) any other beneficial owner of stock of the Corporation owned of record or beneficially by such Proponent or Nominating Stockholder and (ii) any person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, is under common control with such Proponent or Nominating Stockholder.
- (h) "Control" (including the terms "controlling," "controlled by" and "under common control with") means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise.
- (i) The notice requirements of this Section 2.7 shall be deemed satisfied with respect to stockholder proposals that have been properly brought under Rule 14a-8 of the Exchange Act (or any such successor rule) and that are included in a proxy statement that has been prepared by the Corporation to solicit proxies for such annual meeting. Further, nothing in this Section 2.7 shall be deemed to affect any rights of the holders of any series of preferred stock of the Corporation pursuant to any applicable provision of the Certificate.

SECTION 2.8 <u>List of Stockholders</u>. It shall be the duty of the Secretary or other officer who has charge of the stock ledger to prepare and make, at least 10 days before each meeting of the stockholders, a complete list of the stockholders entitled to vote thereat, arranged in alphabetical order, and showing the address of each stockholder and the number of shares registered in such stockholder's name. Such list shall be produced and kept available at the times and places required by law.

### SECTION 2.9 Voting.

- (a) Except as otherwise provided by law or by the Certificate, each stockholder of record of any series of Preferred Stock shall be entitled at each meeting of the stockholders to such number of votes, if any, for each share of such stock as may be fixed in the Certificate (or relevant Certificate of Designation) or in the resolution or resolutions adopted by the Board providing for the issuance of such stock, and each stockholder of record of Common Stock shall be entitled at each meeting of the stockholders to one vote for each share of such stock, in each case, registered in such stockholder's name on the books of the Corporation:
- (i) on the date fixed pursuant to <u>Section 7.6</u> of these By-laws as the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at such meeting; or
- (ii) if no such record date shall have been so fixed, then at the close of business on the day before the day on which notice of such meeting is given, or, if notice is waived, at the close of business on the day before the day on which the meeting is held.
- (b) Each stockholder entitled to vote at any meeting of the stockholders may authorize another person or persons to act for such stockholder by proxy. Any such proxy shall be delivered to the secretary of such meeting at or prior to the time designated for holding such meeting, but in any event not later than the time designated in the order of business for so delivering such proxies. No such proxy shall be voted or acted upon after three years from its date, unless the proxy provides for a longer period.
- (c) Except as otherwise required by law and except as otherwise provided in the Certificate or these By-laws, at each meeting of the stockholders, all corporate actions to be taken by vote of the stockholders shall be authorized by holders of a majority in voting power of the shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon and who are present in person or represented by proxy, and where a separate vote by class or series is required, by holders of a majority in voting power of the shares of such class or series who are entitled to vote thereon and are present in person or represented by proxy shall be the act of such class or series.
- (d) Unless required by law or determined by the chairperson of the meeting to be advisable, the vote on any matter, including, without limitation, the election of directors, need not be by written ballot.

SECTION 2.10 <u>Inspectors</u>. The chairperson of the meeting shall appoint one or more inspectors to act at any meeting of the stockholders. Such inspectors shall perform such duties as shall be required by law or specified by the chairperson of the meeting. Inspectors need not be stockholders. No director or nominee for the office of director shall be appointed such inspector.

SECTION 2.11 <u>Public Announcements</u>. For the purpose of <u>Section 2.7</u> of this <u>Article II</u>, "<u>public announcement</u>" shall mean disclosure (i) in a press release reported by the Dow Jones Newswire, Business Wire, Reuters Information Service or any similar or successor news wire service, (ii) in a communication distributed generally to stockholders or (iii) in a document publicly filed by the Corporation with the SEC pursuant to Sections 13, 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act.

### ARTICLE III

### **Board of Directors**

SECTION 3.1 <u>General Powers</u>. The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by or under the direction of the Board, which may exercise all such powers of the Corporation (or grant authority to exercise such powers) and do all such lawful acts and things as are not by law or by the Certificate directed or required to be exercised or done by the stockholders.

### SECTION 3.2 Number, Qualification and Election.

- (a) The number of directors constituting the Whole Board shall be determined in accordance with the Certificate. The term "Whole Board" shall mean the total number of authorized directors, whether or not there exist any vacancies or unfilled previously authorized directorships. The terms of office of directors shall be governed by the Certificate.
- (b) Each director shall be at least 21 years of age. Directors need not be stockholders of the Corporation. No person shall qualify for service as a director of the Corporation (i) if he or she is a party to any compensatory, payment, indemnification or other financial agreement, arrangement or understanding with any person or entity other than the Corporation, or has received any such compensation or other payment from any person or entity other than the Corporation, in each case in connection with candidacy or service as a director of the Corporation, unless he or she discloses such compensatory, payment or other financial agreement, arrangement or understanding, or receipt of any such compensation or other payment, to the Corporation pursuant to the requirements and procedures set forth in <a href="Section 3.3(a)(iv)">Section 3.3(a)(iv)</a> of this <a href="Article III">Article III</a> as if such person were a Stockholder Nominee thereunder or (ii) unless such person agrees to submit upon appointment, election or re-nomination to the Board an irrevocable resignation effective upon (x) such person's failure to receive a majority of the votes cast in an uncontested election and (y) the acceptance of such resignation by the Board.

- (c) In any uncontested election of directors, each person receiving a majority of the votes cast shall be deemed elected. For purposes of this paragraph, a "majority of the votes cast" shall mean that the number of votes cast "for" a director must exceed the number of votes cast "against" that director (with "abstentions" and "broker non-votes" not counted as a vote cast with respect to that director). In any contested election of directors, the persons receiving a plurality of the votes cast, up to the number of directors to be elected in such election, shall be deemed elected. A contested election is one in which, as of the date that is 14 calendar days in advance of the date the Corporation files its definitive proxy statement with the SEC (regardless of whether or not it is thereafter revised or supplemented), the number of nominees exceeds the number of directors to be elected. An uncontested election is any election that is not a contested election.
- (d) With respect to a resignation provided pursuant to <u>Section 3.2(b)(ii)</u>, the Board shall consider such resignation and may either (i) accept the resignation or (ii) reject the resignation and seek to address the underlying cause(s) of the majority-withheld vote. While the Board may delegate to a committee the authority to assist the Board in its review of the matter, the Board shall decide whether to accept or reject the resignation within 90 days following the certification of the stockholder vote. Once the Board makes this decision, the Corporation will promptly make a public announcement of the Board's decision in the manner described in <u>Section 2.11</u>. If the Board rejects the resignation, the public announcement will include a statement regarding the reasons for its decision.
- (e) The chairperson of the nominating and governance committee established pursuant to Section 4.1 will have the authority to manage the Board's review of the resignation. In the event it is the chairperson of the nominating and governance committee who received a majority-withheld vote, the independent directors who did not receive majority-withheld votes shall select a director or group of directors to manage the process, and such director or directors shall have the authority otherwise delegated to the chairperson of the nominating and governance committee by this Section 3.2. Any director whose resignation is being considered as a result of a majority-withheld vote shall not participate in the committee's or the Board's deliberations or vote on whether to accept or reject his or her resignation; provided that any director, regardless of whether such director received a majority-withheld vote, may participate in such deliberations or vote regarding another director's resignation.

# SECTION 3.3 Notification of Nominations.

(a) Subject to the rights of the holders of any outstanding series of Preferred Stock, nominations for the election of directors may be made by the Board or by any stockholder pursuant to (i) this Section 3.3 who is a stockholder of record at the time of giving of the notice of nomination provided for in this Section 3.3 and who is entitled to vote for the election of directors or (ii) Section 3.15. This Section 3.3 and Section 3.15 are the exclusive means by which a stockholder may nominate a person for election to the Board. Any stockholder of record entitled to vote for the election of directors at a meeting may nominate persons for election as directors only if timely written notice (a "Notice of Nomination") of such stockholder's intent to make such nomination is given in proper written form to the Secretary. To be timely, a Notice of Nomination must be delivered to or mailed and received at the principal executive offices of the Corporation (i) with respect to an election to be held at an annual meeting of the stockholders, not less

than 90 days nor more than 120 days prior to the first anniversary of the date of the immediately preceding annual meeting as first specified in the Corporation's notice of meeting (without regard to any postponements or adjournments of such meeting after such notice was first sent); provided, however, that in the event that the date of the annual meeting is more than 30 days earlier or more than 60 days later than such anniversary date, a Notice of Nomination to be timely must be so delivered or received not earlier than the 120th day prior to such annual meeting and not later than the close of business on the later of the 90th day prior to such annual meeting or the 10th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of such meeting is first made; provided, further, that for the purpose of calculating the timeliness of stockholder notices for the 2020 annual meeting of stockholders, the date of the immediately preceding annual meeting shall be deemed to be February 28, 2019 and (ii) with respect to an election to be held at a special meeting of the stockholders for the election of directors at which directors are to be elected pursuant to the corporation's notice, not earlier than the 90th day prior to such special meeting and not later than the close of business on the later of the 60th day prior to such special meeting or the 10th day following the day on which public announcement is first made of the date of the special meeting and of the nominee(s) proposed by the Board to be elected at such meeting. In no event shall the public announcement of an adjournment or postponement, or an adjournment or postponement, of a meeting commence a new time period (or extend any time period) for the giving of a stockholder's notice as described above. To be in proper written form, the Notice of Nomination shall set forth:

- (i) the Stockholder Information with respect to each stockholder nominating persons for election to the Board (each, a "Nominating Stockholder") and each Stockholder Associated Person;
- (ii) a representation that each Nominating Stockholder is a holder of record of stock of the Corporation entitled to vote at the meeting and intends to appear in person or by proxy at the meeting to propose such nomination;
- (iii) all information regarding each Nominating Stockholder, each nominee (each, a "<u>Stockholder Nominee</u>") and each Stockholder Associated Person that would be required to be disclosed in a solicitation of proxies subject to Section 14 of the Exchange Act;
- (iv) (A) each Stockholder Nominee's written consent to being named in the proxy statement as a nominee and to serving as a director if elected; (B) a completed and duly executed written questionnaire completed and signed by each Stockholder Nominee with respect to the background, qualifications and independence of such Stockholder Nominee (in the form provided by the Secretary upon written request); (C) a completed and duly executed written questionnaire with respect to the background and qualification with respect to such Nominating Stockholder and any other person or entity on whose behalf, directly or indirectly, the nomination is being made (in the form provided by the Secretary upon written request) and (D) each Stockholder Nominee's written representation and agreement (in the form provided by the Secretary upon written request), (1) that if elected as a director of the Corporation, such person will submit an irrevocable resignation effective upon (x) such person's failure to receive a majority of the votes cast in an uncontested election and (y) the acceptance of such resignation by the

Board, (2) that such person currently intends to serve as a director for the full term for which such person is standing for election, (3) that such person is not and will not become party to any agreement, arrangement or understanding with, and has not given any commitment, representation or assurance to, any person or entity as to how such person, if elected as a director of the Corporation, will act or vote on any issue or question (a "Voting Commitment") that has not been disclosed to the Corporation or any Voting Commitment that could limit or interfere with such person's ability to comply, if elected as a director of the Corporation, with such person's fiduciary duties under applicable law, (4) that such person is not and will not become a party to any agreement, arrangement or understanding with any person or entity other than the Corporation with respect to any direct or indirect compensation, reimbursement or indemnification in connection with service or action as a director that has not been disclosed to the Corporation, and (5) that such person, in the person's individual capacity and on behalf of any person or entity on whose behalf the nomination is being made, would be in compliance, if elected as a director of the Corporation, and will comply with, all applicable publicly disclosed corporate governance, ethics, conflict of interest, confidentiality and stock ownership and trading policies and guidelines of the Corporation, and any other Corporation policies and guidelines applicable to Corporation directors;

(v) a description of all direct and indirect compensation and other material monetary agreements, arrangements and understandings during the past three years, and any other material relationships, between or among a Nominating Stockholder, Stockholder Associated Person or others acting in concert therewith, including all information that would be required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 404 promulgated under Regulation S-K (or any such successor rule) if the Nominating Stockholder, Stockholder Associated Person or any person acting in concert therewith, were the "registrant" for purposes of such rule and the Stockholder Nominee were a director or executive of such registrant;

(vi) a duly executed representation as to whether the Nominating Stockholder(s) intend (A) to deliver a proxy statement and form of proxy to holders of at least the percentage of the Corporation's outstanding capital stock required to approve the nomination or (B) otherwise to solicit proxies from stockholders in support of such nomination;

(vii) all other information that would be required to be filed with the SEC if the Nominating Stockholder(s) and Stockholder Associated Person were participants in a solicitation subject to Section 14 of the Exchange Act (or any such successor section); and

(viii) a duly executed representation that each Nominating Stockholder shall provide any other information reasonably requested by the Corporation.

- (b) In addition, each Proponent and Nominating Stockholder shall affirm as true and correct the information provided to the Corporation in the Notice of Nomination or, at the Corporation's request, such information provided pursuant to Section 3.3(a)(vii) of this Article III (and shall update or supplement such information as needed so that such information shall be true and correct) as of (i) the record date for the meeting and (ii) the date that is 10 business days prior to the announced date of the meeting to which the Notice of Nomination relates. Such affirmation, update and/or supplement must be delivered personally or mailed to, and received at the principal executive offices of the Corporation, addressed to the Secretary, by no later than five business days after the applicable date specified in clause (i) and (ii) of the foregoing sentence.
- (c) The person presiding over the meeting shall, if the facts warrant, determine and declare to the meeting, that the nomination was not made in accordance with the procedures set forth in this <u>Section 3.3</u>, and, if he or she should so determine, he or she shall so declare to the meeting and the defective nomination shall be disregarded.
- (d) If the Nominating Stockholder (or a qualified representative of the stockholder) does not appear at the applicable stockholder meeting to nominate the Stockholder Nominees (as defined below), such nomination shall be disregarded and no election of such Stockholder Nominees shall be transacted, notwithstanding that proxies in respect of such vote may have been received by the Corporation.
- (e) Nothing in this <u>Section 3.3</u> shall be deemed to affect any rights of the holders of any series of preferred stock of the Corporation pursuant to any applicable provision of the Certificate or any Certificate of Designation.
- (f) Notwithstanding anything in the immediately preceding paragraph of this Section 3.3 to the contrary, in the event that the number of directors to be elected to the Board at an annual meeting of the stockholders is increased and there is no public announcement specifying the size of the increased Board made by the Corporation at least 90 days prior to the first anniversary of the date of the immediately preceding annual meeting, a stockholder's notice required by this Section 3.3 shall also be considered timely, but only with respect to nominees for any new positions created by such increase, if it shall be delivered to or mailed to and received by the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not later than the close of business on the 10th day following the day on which such public announcement is first made by the Corporation; provided, further, that for the purpose of calculating the timeliness of the stockholder's notice for the 2020 annual meeting of stockholders, the date of the immediately preceding annual meeting of stockholders shall be deemed to be February 28, 2019.

SECTION 3.4 Quorum and Manner of Acting. Except as otherwise provided by law, the Certificate or these By-laws, a majority of the Whole Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board, and, except as so provided, the vote of a majority of the directors present at any meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board. The chairperson of the meeting or a majority of the directors present may adjourn the meeting to another time and place, if any, whether or not a quorum is present. At any adjourned meeting at which a quorum is present, any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally called.

SECTION 3.5 <u>Place of Meeting</u>. Subject to Sections 3.6 and 3.7 of this <u>Article III</u>, the Board may hold its meetings at such place or places, if any, either within or outside of the State of Delaware, as the Board may from time to time determine, or as shall be specified or fixed in the respective notices or waivers of notice thereof.

SECTION 3.6 <u>Regular Meetings</u>. Regular meetings of the Board shall be held at such times as the Board shall from time to time determine, at such locations as the Board may determine. No fewer than four meetings of the Board shall be held per year.

SECTION 3.7 <u>Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of the Board shall be held whenever called by the Chairperson of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer or by a majority of the non-employee directors, and shall be held at such place, if any, on such date and at such time as he, she or they, as applicable, shall fix.

SECTION 3.8 Notice of Meetings. Notice of regular meetings of the Board or of any adjourned meeting thereof need not be given. Notice of each special meeting of the Board shall be given by overnight delivery service or mailed to each director, in either case addressed to such director at such director's residence or usual place of business, at least 48 hours before the day on which the meeting is to be held or shall be sent to such director at such place by telecopy or by electronic transmission or shall be given personally or by telephone, not later than 24 hours before the meeting is to be held, but notice need not be given to any director who shall, either before or after the meeting, submit a waiver of such notice or who shall attend such meeting without protesting, prior to or at its commencement, the lack of notice to such director. Unless otherwise required by these By-laws, every such notice shall state the time and place, if any, but need not state the purpose of the meeting.

SECTION 3.9 <u>Rules and Regulations</u>. The Board may adopt such rules and regulations not inconsistent with the provisions of law, the Certificate or these By-laws for the conduct of its meetings and management of the affairs of the Corporation as the Board may deem proper.

SECTION 3.10 <u>Participation in Meeting by Means of Communications Equipment</u>. Any one or more members of the Board or any committee thereof may participate in any meeting of the Board or of any such committee by means of conference telephone or other communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other or as otherwise permitted by law, and such participation in a meeting shall constitute presence in person at such meeting.

SECTION 3.11 <u>Action Without Meeting</u>. Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the Board or any committee thereof may be taken without a meeting if all of the members of the Board or of any such committee consent thereto in writing or as otherwise permitted by law and, if required by law, the writing or writings are filed with the minutes or proceedings of the Board or of such committee.

SECTION 3.12 <u>Chairperson</u>. The Board of Directors shall annually select one of its members to be Chairperson and shall fill any vacancy in the position of Chairperson at such time and in such manner as the Board of Directors shall determine.

SECTION 3.13 <u>Resignations</u>. Any director of the Corporation may at any time resign by giving written notice to the Board, the Chairperson of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer or the Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein or, if the time be not specified therein, upon receipt thereof; and, unless otherwise specified therein or in these By-laws, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

SECTION 3.14 <u>Compensation</u>. Each director, in consideration of such person serving as a director, shall be entitled to receive from the Corporation such amount per annum and such fees (payable in cash or stock-based compensation) for attendance at meetings of the Board or of committees of the Board, or both, and for acting as a chair of a committee of the Board, and/or any other compensation in each case as the Board or a committee thereof shall from time to time determine. In addition, each director shall be entitled to receive from the Corporation reimbursement for the reasonable expenses incurred by such person in connection with the performance of such person's duties as a director. Nothing contained in this <u>Section 3.14</u> shall preclude any director from serving the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefor.

# SECTION 3.15 Proxy Access.

- (a) The Corporation shall include in its proxy statement and on its form of proxy for an annual meeting of stockholders the name of, and the Required Information (as defined below) relating to, any nominee for election or reelection to the Board who satisfies the eligibility requirements in this Section 3.15 (a "Proxy Access Nominee") and who is identified in a notice that complies with Section 3.15(f) of this Article III and that is timely delivered pursuant to Section 3.15(g) of this Article III (the "Stockholder Notice") by one stockholder, or a group of no more than 20 stockholders, who:
- (i) elects at the time of delivering the Stockholder Notice to have such Proxy Access Nominee included in the Corporation's proxy materials;
- (ii) as of the date of the Stockholder Notice and the record date for determining stockholders entitled to vote at the annual meeting of stockholders, Owns (as defined below in Section 3.15(c) of this Article III) a number of shares of the Corporation that represents at least 3% of the outstanding shares of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (the "Required Shares") and has Owned continuously the Required Shares (as adjusted for any stock splits, stock dividends or similar events) for at least three years; and
- (iii) satisfies the additional requirements in these By-laws (such stockholder or group of stockholders, collectively, an "Eligible Stockholder").

- (b) For purposes of satisfying the Ownership requirement under Section 3.15(a) of this Article III:
- (i) the outstanding shares of the Corporation Owned by a group of one or more stockholders may be aggregated (for the avoidance of doubt, the number of stockholders and other beneficial owners whose ownership of shares is aggregated for such purpose shall not exceed 20); and
- (ii) two or more funds that are (A) under common management and investment control, (B) under common management and funded primarily by the same employer or (C) a "group of investment companies," as such term is defined in Section 12(d)(1)(G)(ii) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, shall, in each case, be treated as one stockholder.
- (c) For purposes of this <u>Section 3.15</u>, an Eligible Stockholder "Owns" only those outstanding shares of the Corporation as to which the stockholder or group of stockholders possesses both:
  - (i) the full voting and investment rights pertaining to the shares; and
  - (ii) the full economic interest in (including, without limitation, the opportunity for profit and risk of loss on) such shares;

provided that the number of shares calculated in accordance with clauses (i) and (ii) of this Section 3.15(g) shall not include any shares:

- (A) sold by such stockholder or any affiliate (as defined below in this <u>Section 3.15(c)</u>) in any transaction that has not been settled or closed, including, without limitation, any short sale;
- (B) borrowed by such stockholder or any affiliate for any purposes or purchased by such stockholder or any affiliate pursuant to an agreement to resell; or
- (C) subject to any option, warrant, forward contract, swap, contract of sale, other derivative or similar agreement entered into by such stockholder or any of its affiliates, whether any such instrument or agreement is to be settled with shares or with cash based on the notional amount or value of outstanding shares of the Corporation, in any such case which instrument or agreement has, or is intended to have, or if exercised would have, the purpose or effect of:
  - (1) reducing in any manner, to any extent or at any time in the future, such stockholder's or any of its affiliates' full right to vote or direct the voting of any such shares; and/or

(2) hedging, offsetting or altering to any degree gain or loss arising from the full economic interest in such shares by such stockholder or affiliate.

A stockholder "Owns" shares held in the name of a nominee or other intermediary so long as the stockholder retains the right to instruct how the shares are voted with respect to the election of directors and possesses the full economic interest in the shares. A stockholder's Ownership of shares shall be deemed to continue during any period in which the stockholder has delegated any voting power by means of a proxy, power of attorney or other instrument or arrangement that is revocable at any time by the stockholder. A stockholder's Ownership of shares shall be deemed to continue during any period in which the stockholder has loaned such shares; provided, that the stockholder has the power to recall such loaned shares on five business days' notice and has recalled such loaned shares as of the date of the Stockholder Notice and through the date of the annual meeting of stockholders. The terms "Owned," "Owning" and other variations of the word "Own" shall have correlative meanings. Whether outstanding shares of the Corporation are "Owned" for these purposes shall be determined by the Board.

For purposes of this <u>Section 3.15</u>, the term "affiliate" or "affiliates" shall have the meaning ascribed thereto under the General Rules and Regulations under the Exchange Act.

- (d) No stockholder may be a member of more than one group of stockholders constituting an Eligible Stockholder under this Section 3.15, and no shares of the Corporation may be attributed to more than one Eligible Stockholder or group constituting an Eligible Stockholder.
  - (e) For purposes of this Section 3.15, the "Required Information" that the Corporation will include in its proxy materials is:
- (i) the information concerning the Proxy Access Nominee and the Eligible Stockholder that is required to be disclosed in the Corporation's proxy materials by the applicable requirements of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder; and
- (ii) if the Eligible Stockholder so elects, a written statement of the Eligible Stockholder, not to exceed 500 words, in support of its Proxy Access Nominee, which must be provided at the same time as the Stockholder Notice for inclusion in the Corporation's proxy materials for the annual meeting of stockholders.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Section 3.15, the Corporation may omit from its proxy materials any information or statement that it, in good faith, believes would violate any applicable law, rule, regulation or listing standard. Nothing in this Section 3.15 shall limit the Corporation's ability to solicit against a stockholder nominee and include in its proxy materials its own statements relating to any Eligible Stockholder or Proxy Access Nominee.

- (f) The Stockholder Notice shall set forth the information required under <u>Section 3.3(a)</u> of this <u>Article III</u> (replacing the term "Proponent" with "Eligible Stockholder" and the term "Stockholder Nominee" with "Proxy Access Nominee"), including the questionnaire, agreement and other materials required by <u>Section 3.3(a)(iv)</u>, and, in addition, shall include:
- (i) a copy of the Schedule 14N that has been or concurrently is filed with the SEC under Exchange Act Rule 14a-18 (or any successor schedule or rule); and
- (ii) the written agreement of the Eligible Stockholder (or in the case of a group, each stockholder whose shares are aggregated for purposes of constituting an Eligible Stockholder) addressed to the Corporation (in the form provided by the Secretary upon written request), setting forth the following additional agreements, representations and warranties:
  - (A) a certification as to the number of shares of the Corporation it Owns and has Owned continuously for at least three years as of the date of the Stockholder Notice and agreeing to continue to Own such shares through the date of the annual meeting of stockholders, which statement shall also be included in the written statements set forth in Item 4 of the Schedule 14N (or any successor schedule) filed by the Eligible Stockholder with the SEC;
  - (B) the Eligible Stockholder's agreement to provide the information required under <u>Section 3.3(a)</u> of this <u>Article III</u> and the written statements from the record holder and intermediaries as required under <u>Section 3.15(h)</u> of this <u>Article III</u> verifying the Eligible Stockholder's continuous Ownership of the Required Shares through and as of the business day immediately preceding the date of the annual meeting of stockholders;
  - (C) the Eligible Stockholder's representation and agreement that the Eligible Stockholder (including each member of any group of stockholders that together is an Eligible Stockholder under this <u>Section 3.15</u>):
    - (1) acquired the Required Shares in the ordinary course of business and not with the intent to change or influence control of the Corporation, and does not presently have such intent;
    - (2) will provide facts, statements and other information in all communications with the Corporation and stockholders of the Corporation that are true and correct in all material respects and do not omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading;
    - (3) has not nominated and will not nominate for election to the Board at the annual meeting of stockholders any person other than the Proxy Access Nominee(s) being nominated pursuant to this <u>Section 3.15</u>;

- (4) has not engaged and will not engage in a, and has not been and will not be a "participant" (as defined in Item 4 of the Exchange Act Schedule 14A) (or any successor schedule) in other person's, "solicitation" within the meaning of Exchange Act Rule 14a-1(l) (or any successor rule), in support of the election of any individual as a director at the annual meeting of stockholders other than its Proxy Access Nominee or a nominee of the Board; and
- (5) will not distribute to any stockholder any form of proxy for the annual meeting of stockholders other than the form distributed by the Corporation.
  - (D) the Eligible Stockholder's agreement to:
- (1) assume all liability stemming from any legal or regulatory violation arising out of the Eligible Stockholder's communications with the stockholders of the Corporation or out of the information that the Eligible Stockholder provided to the Corporation;
- (2) indemnify and hold harmless the Corporation and each of its directors, officers and employees individually against any liability, loss or damages in connection with any threatened or pending action, suit or proceeding, whether legal, administrative or investigative, against the Corporation or any of its directors, officers or employees arising out of any nomination submitted by the Eligible Stockholder pursuant to this Section 3.15; provided, however, that the indemnification by the Eligible Stockholder under this Section 3.15(f)(ii)(D)(2) shall no longer be required or apply with respect to any acts or omissions by the Proxy Access Nominee that occur after such Proxy Access Nominee's election to the Board;
- (3) comply with all other laws, rules, regulations and listing standards applicable to any solicitation in connection with the annual meeting of stockholders;
- (4) file all materials described below in Section 3.15(h)(iii) of this Article III with the SEC, regardless of whether any such filing is required under Exchange Act Regulation 14A (or any successor regulation), or whether any exemption from filing is available for such materials under Exchange Act Regulation 14A (or any successor regulation);
- (5) provide to the Corporation prior to the annual meeting of stockholders such additional information as necessary or reasonably requested by the Corporation; and

- (6) promptly disclose to the Corporation if the Eligible Stockholder does not intend to continue to Own the Required Shares for at least one year following the annual meeting of stockholders; and
- (7) in the case of a nomination by a group of stockholders that together is an Eligible Stockholder, the designation by all group members of one group member that is authorized to act on behalf of all such members with respect to the nomination and matters related thereto, including, without limitation, any withdrawal of the nomination.
- (g) To be timely under this Section 3.15, the Stockholder Notice must be delivered to or mailed and received at the principal executive offices of the Corporation with respect to an election to be held at an annual meeting of the stockholders, not less than 120 days nor more than 150 days prior to the first anniversary of the date the definitive proxy statement was first released to stockholders in connection with the previous year's annual meeting of stockholders; provided, however, that in the event that the date of the annual meeting of stockholders is more than 30 days earlier or more than 60 days later than such anniversary date, the Stockholder Notice to be timely must be so delivered or received not earlier than the 150th day prior to such annual meeting of stockholders and not later than the close of business on the later of the 120th day prior to such annual meeting of stockholders or the 10th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of such meeting is first made; provided, further, that for the purpose of calculating the timeliness of the Stockholder Notice for the 2020 annual meeting of stockholders, the date the definitive proxy statement was first released to stockholders in connection with the previous year's annual meeting of stockholders shall be deemed to be February 28, 2019. In no event shall any adjournment or postponement of an annual meeting of stockholders, or the announcement thereof, commence a new time period (or extend any time period) for the giving of the Stockholder Notice as described above. For purposes of Rule 14a-18 under the Exchange Act (or any successor rule), the applicable "date specified by the registrant's advance notice provision" shall be the date determined pursuant to this Section 3.15(g).
- (h) An Eligible Stockholder (or in the case of a group, each stockholder whose shares are aggregated for purposes of constituting an Eligible Stockholder) must:
- (i) within five business days after the date of the Stockholder Notice, provide one or more written statements from the record holder(s) of the Required Shares and from each intermediary through which the Required Shares are or have been held, in each case during the requisite three-year holding period, verifying that the Eligible Stockholder Owns, and has Owned continuously for the preceding three years, the Required Shares:

- (ii) include in the written statements provided pursuant to Item 4 of Schedule 14N (or any successor schedule) filed with the SEC a statement certifying that it Owns and continuously has Owned the Required Shares for at least three years;
- (iii) file with the SEC any solicitation or other communication relating to the current year annual meeting of stockholders, one or more of the Corporation's directors or director nominees or any Proxy Access Nominee, regardless of whether any such filing is required under Exchange Act Regulation 14A (or any successor regulation) or whether any exemption from filing is available for such solicitation or other communication under Exchange Act Regulation 14A (or any successor regulation); and
- (iv) as to any group of funds whose shares are aggregated for purposes of constituting an Eligible Stockholder, within five business days after the date of the Stockholder Notice, provide documentation reasonably satisfactory to the Corporation that demonstrates that the funds satisfy Section 3.15(b)(ii) of this Article III.
- (i) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this <u>Section 3.15</u>, the Corporation may omit from its proxy materials any Proxy Access Nominee, and such nomination shall be disregarded and no vote on such Proxy Access Nominee will occur, notwithstanding that proxies in respect of such vote may have been received by the Corporation, if:
- (i) the Secretary receives notice that a stockholder intends to nominate a person for election to the Board, which stockholder does not elect to have its nominee(s) included in the Corporation's proxy materials pursuant to this <u>Section 3.15</u>;
- (ii) the Eligible Stockholder or Proxy Access Nominee breaches any of its respective agreements, representations or warranties set forth in the Stockholder Notice or otherwise required by this <u>Section 3.15</u>, or if any of the information in the Stockholder Notice (or otherwise submitted pursuant to this <u>Section 3.15</u>) was not, when provided, true, correct and complete or the requirements of this <u>Section 3.15</u> have otherwise not been met;
- (iii) the Proxy Access Nominee or the stockholder or group of stockholders (including any member thereof) who has nominated such Proxy Access Nominee has engaged in or is currently engaged in, or has been or is a "participant" in another person's, "solicitation" within the meaning of Rule 14a-1(l) under the Exchange Act, in support of the election of any individual as a director at the meeting other than such Proxy Access Nominee or a nominee of the Board;

(iv) the Proxy Access Nominee (A) is not independent under the listing standards of the principal U.S. exchange upon which the shares of the Corporation are listed, any applicable rules of the SEC and any publicly disclosed standards used by the Board in determining and disclosing the independence of the Corporation's directors, (B) does not qualify as independent under the audit committee independence requirements set forth in the rules of the principal U.S. exchange on which shares of the Corporation are listed, as a "non-employee director" under Exchange Act Rule 16b-3 (or any successor rule), (C) is or has been, within the three years preceding the date the Corporation first mails to the stockholders its notice of the meeting that includes the Proxy Access Nominee, an officer or director of a competitor, as defined in Section 8 of the Clayton Antitrust Act of 1914, as amended, (D) is an officer, director or general partner of any legal entity where a fellow officer, director or general partner of such legal entity is an officer or director of a competitor, as defined in Section 8 of the Clayton Antitrust Act of 1914, as amended, (E) is a named subject of a pending criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations and other minor offenses) or has been convicted in a criminal proceeding within the 10 years preceding the date the Corporation first mails to the stockholders its notice of the meeting that includes the Proxy Access Nominee or (F) is subject to any order of the type specified in Rule 506(d) of Regulation D (or any successor rule) promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended; or

(v) the election of the Proxy Access Nominee to the Board would cause the Corporation to be in violation of the Certificate, these By-laws or any applicable state or federal law, rule, regulation or listing standard.

Any such determination by the Board (or any other person or body authorized by the Board) regarding a nomination's satisfaction of this <u>Section 3.15(i)</u> shall be binding on the Corporation and its stockholders.

- (j) The maximum number of Proxy Access Nominees appearing in the Corporation's proxy materials with respect to an annual meeting of stockholders pursuant to this Section 3.15 (including, without limitation, any Proxy Access Nominee whose name was submitted for inclusion in the Corporation's proxy materials for such annual meeting of stockholders but who is nominated by the Board as a Board nominee for such annual meeting of stockholders), together with:
- (i) any nominees who were previously elected to the Board as (A) Proxy Access Nominees pursuant to this Section 3.15 (including, without limitation, any Proxy Access Nominee whose name was submitted for inclusion in the Corporation's proxy materials for such prior annual meeting of stockholders but who was nominated by the Board as a Board nominee for such prior annual meeting of stockholders) or (B) a nominee of any stockholder in any other manner, in either case at any of the preceding two annual meetings of stockholders and who are re-nominated for election at such annual meeting of stockholders by the Board, and
- (ii) any Proxy Access Nominee who was qualified for inclusion in the Corporation's proxy materials for such annual meeting of stockholders but whose nomination is subsequently withdrawn,

shall not exceed the greater of (x) two or (y) 20% of the number of directors in office as of the last day on which a Stockholder Notice may be delivered pursuant to this Section 3.15 with respect to such annual meeting of stockholders, or if such amount as calculated in clause (y) of this Section 3.15(j) is not a whole number, the closest whole number below 20%; provided that if there is a vacancy on the Board and the number of directors is decreased prior to such annual meeting of stockholders, then the 20% of the number of directors shall be calculated based on the number of directors in office as of the date of such decrease in the number of directors. In the event that the number of Proxy Access Nominees submitted by Eligible Stockholders pursuant to this Section 3.15 exceeds this maximum number, each Eligible Stockholder will select one Proxy Access Nominee for inclusion in the Corporation's proxy materials until the maximum number is reached, going in order of the number (largest to smallest) of shares of the Corporation each Eligible Stockholder disclosed as Owned in its respective Stockholder Notice submitted to the Corporation. If the maximum number is not reached after each Eligible Stockholder has selected one Proxy Access Nominee, this selection process will continue as many times as necessary, following the same order each time, until the maximum number is reached.

- (k) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 3.15, unless otherwise required by law or otherwise determined by the person presiding over the meeting, if none of (i) the Eligible Stockholder or (ii) a qualified representative of the Eligible Stockholder appears at the annual meeting of stockholders to present such Eligible Stockholder's Proxy Access Nominees, such nomination or nominations shall be disregarded and conclusively deemed withdrawn, notwithstanding that proxies in respect of the election of the Proxy Access Nominees may have been received by the Corporation.
- (l) Any Proxy Access Nominee who is included in the Corporation's proxy materials for a particular annual meeting of stockholders but either (i) withdraws from or becomes ineligible or unavailable for election at the annual meeting of stockholders, or (ii) does not receive at least 25% of the votes cast in favor of the Proxy Access Nominee's election, will be ineligible to be a Proxy Access Nominee pursuant to this <u>Section 3.15</u> for the next two annual meetings of stockholders.
- (m) The Corporation may request such additional information as necessary to permit the Board to determine if each Proxy Access Nominee is independent under the listing standards of the principal United States exchange upon which the shares of the Corporation are listed, any applicable rules of the SEC and any publicly disclosed standards used by the Board in determining and disclosing the independence of the Corporation's directors.
- (n) This <u>Section 3.15</u> shall be the exclusive method for stockholders to include nominees for director election in the Corporation's proxy materials.

### ARTICLE IV

# Committees of the Board of Directors

SECTION 4.1 <u>Committees of the Board</u>. The Board shall designate such committees as may be required by the listing standards of the principal United States exchange upon which the shares of the Corporation are listed and may from time to time designate other committees of the Board (including, without limitation, an executive

committee), with such lawfully delegable powers and duties as it thereby confers, to serve at the pleasure of the Board and shall, for those committees and any others provided for herein, elect a director or directors to serve as the member or members, designating, if it desires, other directors as alternate members who may replace any absent or disqualified member at any meeting of the committee.

SECTION 4.2 <u>Conduct of Business</u>. Any committee, to the extent allowed by law and provided in the resolution establishing such committee or the charter of such committee, shall have and may exercise all the duly delegated powers and authority of the Board in the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation. The Board shall have the power to prescribe the manner in which proceedings of any such committee shall be conducted. In the absence of any such prescription, any such committee shall have the power to prescribe the manner in which its proceedings shall be conducted. Unless the Board or such committee shall otherwise provide, regular and special meetings and other actions of any such committee shall be governed by the provisions of <u>Article III</u> applicable to meetings and actions of the Board. Each committee shall keep regular minutes and report on its actions to the Board.

### ARTICLE V

# **Officers**

SECTION 5.1 Number; Term of Office. The officers of the Corporation shall be elected by the Board and may consist of: a Chief Executive Officer, a President, a Chief Operating Officer, a Chief Financial Officer and one or more Vice Presidents (including, without limitation, Senior Vice Presidents) and a Treasurer, Controller and Secretary and such other officers and agents with such titles and such duties as the Board may from time to time determine, each to have such authority, functions or duties as in these By-laws provided or as the Board may from time to time determine, and each to hold office for such term as may be prescribed by the Board and until such person's successor shall have been chosen and shall qualify, or until such person's death or resignation, or until such person's removal in the manner hereinafter provided. One person may hold the offices and perform the duties of any two or more of said officers; provided, however, that no officer shall execute, acknowledge or verify any instrument in more than one capacity if such instrument is required by law, the Certificate or these By-laws to be executed, acknowledged or verified by two or more officers. The Board may require any officer or agent to give security for the faithful performance of such person's duties.

SECTION 5.2 <u>Removal</u>. Subject to <u>Section 5.13</u> of this <u>Article V</u>, any officer may be removed, either with or without cause, by the Board at any meeting thereof called for the purpose, by the Chief Executive Officer, or by any other superior officer upon whom such power may be conferred by the Board.

SECTION 5.3 <u>Resignation</u>. Any officer may resign at any time by giving notice to the Board, the Chief Executive Officer or the Secretary. Any such resignation shall take effect at the date of receipt of such notice or at any later date specified therein and, unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

SECTION 5.4 <u>Chief Executive Officer</u>. The Chief Executive Officer shall have general supervision and direction of the business and affairs of the Corporation, subject to the control of the Board, and shall report directly to the Board.

SECTION 5.5 <u>President</u>. The President shall perform such senior duties as he or she may agree with the Chief Executive Officer (if the position is held by an individual other than the Chief Executive Officer) or as the Board shall from time to time determine.

SECTION 5.6 <u>Chief Operating Officer</u>. The Chief Operating Officer shall perform such senior duties in connection with the operations of the Corporation as he or she may agree with the Chief Executive Officer or as the Board shall from time to time determine. The Chief Operating Officer shall, when requested, counsel with and advise the other officers of the Corporation.

SECTION 5.7 <u>Chief Financial Officer</u>. The Chief Financial Officer shall perform all the powers and duties of the office of the chief financial officer and in general have overall supervision of the financial operations of the Corporation. The Chief Financial Officer shall, when requested, counsel with and advise the other officers of the Corporation and shall perform such other duties as he or she may agree with the Chief Executive Officer or as the Board may from time to time determine.

SECTION 5.8 <u>Vice Presidents</u>. Any Vice President shall have such powers and duties as shall be prescribed by his or her superior officer or the Board. A Vice President shall, when requested, counsel with and advise the other officers of the Corporation and shall perform such other duties as he or she may agree with the Chief Executive Officer or as the Board may from time to time determine. A Vice President need not be an officer of the Corporation and shall not be deemed an officer of the Corporation unless elected by the Board.

SECTION 5.9 <u>Treasurer</u>. The Treasurer shall supervise and be responsible for all the funds and securities of the Corporation; the deposit of all moneys and other valuables to the credit of the Corporation in depositories of the Corporation; borrowings and compliance with the provisions of all indentures, agreements and instruments governing such borrowings to which the Corporation is a party; the disbursement of funds of the Corporation and the investment of its funds; and, in general, shall perform all of the duties incident to the office of the Treasurer. The Treasurer shall, when requested, counsel with and advise the other officers of the Corporation and shall perform such other duties as he or she may agree with the Chief Executive Officer or the Chief Financial Officer or as the Board may from time to time determine.

SECTION 5.10 <u>Controller</u>. The Controller shall be the chief accounting officer of the Corporation. The Controller shall, when requested, counsel with and advise the other officers of the Corporation and shall perform such other duties as he or she may agree with the Chief Executive Officer or the Chief Financial Officer or as the Board may from time to time determine.

SECTION 5.11 Secretary. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to act as secretary at all meetings of the Board, of the committees of the Board and of the stockholders and to record the proceedings of such meetings in a book or books to be kept for that purpose; the Secretary shall see that all notices required to be given by the Corporation are duly given and served; the Secretary shall be custodian of the seal of the Corporation and when deemed necessary shall affix the seal or cause it to be affixed to all certificates of stock, if any, of the Corporation (unless the seal of the Corporation on such certificates shall be a facsimile, as hereinafter provided) and to all documents, the execution of which on behalf of the Corporation under its seal is duly authorized in accordance with the provisions of these By-laws; the Secretary shall have charge of the books, records and papers of the Corporation and shall see that the reports, statements and other documents required by law to be kept and filed are properly kept and filed; and in general shall perform all of the duties incident to the office of Secretary. The Secretary shall, when requested, counsel with and advise the other officers of the Corporation and shall perform such other duties as he or she may agree with the Chief Executive Officer or as the Board may from time to time determine.

SECTION 5.12 <u>Assistant Treasurers</u>, <u>Assistant Controllers and Assistant Secretaries</u>. Any Assistant Treasurers, Assistant Controllers and Assistant Secretaries shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to them by the Board or by the Treasurer, Controller or Secretary, respectively, or by the Chief Executive Officer. An Assistant Treasurer, Assistant Controller or Assistant Secretary need not be an officer of the Corporation and shall not be deemed an officer of the Corporation unless elected by the Board.

SECTION 5.13 <u>Additional Matters</u>. The Chief Executive Officer, the President, the Chief Operating Officer and the Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation shall have the authority to designate employees of the Corporation to have the title of Vice President, Assistant Vice President, Assistant Treasurer, Assistant Controller or Assistant Secretary. Any employee so designated shall have the powers and duties determined by the officer making such designation. The persons upon whom such titles are conferred shall not be deemed officers of the Corporation unless elected by the Board or appointed by any duly elected officer or assistant officer authorized by the Board to appoint such person.

# ARTICLE VI

# Indemnification

SECTION 6.1 <u>Right to Indemnification</u>. The Corporation, to the fullest extent permitted or required by the DGCL or other applicable law, as the same exists or may hereafter be amended (but, in the case of any such amendment and unless applicable law otherwise requires, only to the extent that such amendment permits the Corporation to provide broader indemnification rights than such law permitted the Corporation to provide

prior to such amendment), shall indemnify and hold harmless any person who is or was a director or officer of the Corporation and who is or was involved in any manner (including, without limitation, as a party or a witness) or is threatened to be made so involved in any threatened, pending or completed investigation, claim, action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (including, without limitation, any action, suit or proceedings by or in the right of the Corporation to procure a judgment in its favor) (a "Proceeding") by reason of the fact that such person, or another person of whom such person is the legal representative, is or was a director, officer of the Corporation (or manager of any predecessor to the Corporation), or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise (including, without limitation, any employee benefit plan) (a "Covered Entity"), whether the basis of such Proceeding is alleged action in an official capacity as a director, officer or agent or in any other capacity while serving as a director, officer or agent, against all expenses, liabilities and losses (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, ERISA excise taxes or penalties and amounts paid in settlement) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such Proceeding and such indemnification shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director, officer or agent of the Corporation or a Covered Entity; provided, however, that, except as provided in Section 6.4(d) of this Article VI with respect to an adjudication of entitlement to indemnification, the Corporation shall indemnify and hold harmless any such Indemnitee in connection with a Proceeding initiated by such Indemnitee only if such Proceeding was authorized by the Board. Any person entitled to indemnification as provided in this Section 6.1 is hereinafter called an "Indemnitee." Any right of an Indemnitee to indemnification shall be a contract right and shall include the right to receive, prior to the conclusion of any Proceeding, payment of any expenses incurred by the Indemnitee in connection with such Proceeding, consistent with the provisions of the DGCL or other applicable law, as the same exists or may hereafter be amended (but, in the case of any such amendment and unless applicable law otherwise requires, only to the extent that such amendment permits the Corporation to provide broader rights to payment of expenses than such law permitted the Corporation to provide prior to such amendment), and the other provisions of this Article VI; provided that payment of expenses incurred by a person other than a director or officer of the Corporation prior to the conclusion of any Proceeding shall be made, unless otherwise determined by the Board, only upon delivery to the Corporation of an undertaking by or on behalf of such person to the same effect as any undertaking required to be delivered to the Corporation by any director or officer of the Corporation pursuant to the DGCL or other applicable law.

SECTION 6.2 <u>Insurance, Contracts and Funding</u>. The Corporation may purchase and maintain insurance to protect itself and any director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or of any Covered Entity against any expenses, liabilities or losses as specified in <u>Section 6.1</u> of this <u>Article VI</u> or incurred by any such director, officer, employee or agent in connection with any Proceeding referred to in <u>Section 6.1</u> of this <u>Article VI</u>, whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify such person against such expense, liability or loss under the DGCL. The Corporation may enter into contracts with any director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or of any Covered Entity in furtherance of the provisions of this <u>Article VI</u> and may create a trust fund, grant a security interest or use other means (including, without limitation, a letter of credit) to ensure the payment of such amounts as may be necessary to effect indemnification as provided or authorized in this <u>Article VI</u>.

SECTION 6.3 <u>Indemnification Not Exclusive Right</u>. The right of indemnification provided in this <u>Article VI</u> shall not be exclusive of any other rights to which an Indemnitee may otherwise be entitled, and the provisions of this <u>Article VI</u> shall inure to the benefit of the heirs and legal representatives of any Indemnitee under this <u>Article VI</u> and shall be applicable to Proceedings commenced or continuing after the adoption of this <u>Article VI</u>, whether arising from acts or omissions occurring before or after such adoption.

SECTION 6.4 <u>Advancement of Expenses; Procedures; Presumptions and Effect of Certain Proceedings; Remedies</u>. In furtherance, but not in limitation, of the foregoing provisions, the following procedures, presumptions and remedies shall apply with respect to advancement of expenses and the right to indemnification under this <u>Article VI</u>:

(a) Advancement of Expenses. All reasonable expenses (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees) incurred by or on behalf of the Indemnitee in connection with any Proceeding shall be advanced to the Indemnitee by the Corporation within 20 days after the receipt by the Corporation of a statement or statements from the Indemnitee requesting such advance or advances from time to time, whether prior to or after final disposition of such Proceeding. Such statement or statements shall reasonably evidence the expenses incurred by the Indemnitee and, if required by law or the provisions of this Article VI at the time of such advance, shall include or be accompanied by an undertaking by or on behalf of the Indemnitee to repay the amounts advanced if ultimately it should be determined that the Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified against such expenses pursuant to this Article VI.

# (b) Procedure for Determination of Entitlement to Indemnification.

(i) To obtain indemnification under this <u>Article VI</u>, an Indemnitee shall submit to the Secretary a written request including such documentation and information as is reasonably available to the Indemnitee and reasonably necessary to determine whether and to what extent the Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification (the "<u>Supporting Documentation</u>"). The determination of the Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification shall be made not later than 60 days after receipt by the Corporation of the written request for indemnification together with the Supporting Documentation. The Secretary shall, promptly upon receipt of such a request for indemnification, advise the Board in writing that the Indemnitee has requested indemnification.

(ii) The Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification under this <u>Article VI</u> shall be determined in one of the following ways: (A) by a majority vote of the Disinterested Directors (as hereinafter defined in <u>Section 6.4(e)</u> of this <u>Article VI</u>), whether or not they constitute a quorum of the Board, or by a committee of Disinterested Directors designated by a majority vote of the Disinterested Directors; (B) by a written opinion of Independent Counsel (as hereinafter defined in <u>Section 6.4(e)</u> of this <u>Article VI</u>) if there are no Disinterested Directors or a majority of such Disinterested Directors so directs; (C) by the stockholders of the Corporation if the Board so directs; or (D) as provided in <u>Section 6.4(c)</u> of this <u>Article VI</u>.

(iii) In the event the determination of entitlement to indemnification is to be made by Independent Counsel pursuant to Section 6.4(b)(ii) of this Article VI, a majority of the Disinterested Directors shall select the Independent Counsel, but only an Independent Counsel to which the Indemnitee does not reasonably object.

- (c) <u>Presumptions and Effect of Certain Proceedings</u>. If the person or persons empowered under <u>Section 6.4(b)</u> of this <u>Article VI</u> to determine entitlement to indemnification shall not have been appointed or shall not have made a determination within 60 days after receipt by the Corporation of the request therefor, together with the Supporting Documentation, the Indemnitee shall be deemed to be, and shall be, entitled to indemnification, unless (A) the Indemnitee misrepresented or failed to disclose a material fact in making the request for indemnification or in the Supporting Documentation or (B) such indemnification is prohibited by law. The termination of any Proceeding described in <u>Section 6.1</u> of this <u>Article VI</u>, or of any claim, issue or matter therein, by judgment, order, settlement or conviction, or upon a plea of *nolo contendere* or its equivalent, shall not, of itself, adversely affect the right of the Indemnitee to indemnification or create a presumption that the Indemnitee did not act in good faith and in a manner which the Indemnitee reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Corporation or, with respect to any criminal proceeding, that the Indemnitee had reasonable cause to believe that such conduct was unlawful.
- (d) Remedies of Indemnitee. (i) In the event that a determination is made pursuant to Section 6.4(b) of this Article VI that the Indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification under this Article VI, (A) the Indemnitee shall be entitled to seek an adjudication of entitlement to such indemnification either, at the Indemnitee's sole option, in (x) an appropriate court of the State of Delaware or any other court of competent jurisdiction or (y) an arbitration to be conducted by a single arbitrator pursuant to the rules of the American Arbitration Association and (B) any such judicial proceeding or arbitration shall be *de novo* and the Indemnitee shall not be prejudiced by reason of such adverse determination.
- (ii) If a determination shall have been made or deemed to have been made, pursuant to Section 6.4(b) or (c) of this Article VI, that the Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification, the Corporation shall be obligated to pay the amounts constituting such indemnification within 45 days after such determination has been made or deemed to have been made and shall be conclusively bound by such determination, unless (A) the Indemnitee misrepresented or failed to disclose a material fact in making the request for indemnification or in the Supporting Documentation or (B) such indemnification is prohibited by law. In the event that (X) advancement of expenses is not timely made pursuant to Section 6.4(a) of this Article VI or (Y) payment of indemnification is not made within 45 days after a determination of entitlement to indemnification has been made or

deemed to have been made pursuant to <u>Section 6.4(b)</u> or <u>(c)</u> of this <u>Article VI</u>, the Indemnitee shall be entitled to seek judicial enforcement of the Corporation's obligation to pay to the Indemnitee such advancement of expenses or indemnification. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Corporation may bring an action, in an appropriate court in the State of Delaware or any other court of competent jurisdiction, contesting the right of the Indemnitee to receive indemnification hereunder due to the occurrence of an event described in sub-clause (A) or (B) of this clause (ii) (a "<u>Disqualifying Event</u>"); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that in any such action the Corporation shall have the burden of proving the occurrence of such Disqualifying Event.

- (iii) The Corporation shall be precluded from asserting in any judicial proceeding or arbitration commenced pursuant to this <u>Section 6.4(d)</u> that the procedures and presumptions of this <u>Article VI</u> are not valid, binding and enforceable and shall stipulate in any such court or before any such arbitrator that the Corporation is bound by all the provisions of this <u>Article VI</u>.
- (iv) In the event that the Indemnitee, pursuant to this Section 6.4(d), seeks a judicial adjudication of or an award in arbitration to enforce rights under, or to recover damages for breach of, this Article VI, or in the event of a suit brought by the Corporation to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking, the Indemnitee shall be entitled to recover from the Corporation, and shall be indemnified by the Corporation against, any expenses actually and reasonably incurred by the Indemnitee if the Indemnitee prevails in such judicial adjudication, arbitration or suit. If it shall be determined in such judicial adjudication, arbitration or suit that the Indemnitee is entitled to receive part, but not all, of the indemnification or advancement of expenses sought, the expenses incurred by the Indemnitee in connection with such judicial adjudication, arbitration or action shall be prorated accordingly.
  - (e) <u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this <u>Article VI</u>:
- (i) "<u>Disinterested Director</u>" means a director of the Corporation who is not or was not a party to the Proceeding in respect of which indemnification is sought by the Indemnitee.
- (ii) "Independent Counsel" means a law firm or a member of a law firm that neither presently is, nor in the past five years has been, retained to represent (x) the Corporation or the Indemnitee in any matter material to either such party or (y) any other party to the Proceeding giving rise to a claim for indemnification under this Article VI. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the term "Independent Counsel" shall not include any person who, under the applicable standards of professional conduct then prevailing under the law of the State of Delaware, would have a conflict of interest in representing either the Corporation or the Indemnitee in an action to determine the Indemnitee's rights under this Article VI.

SECTION 6.5 Severability. If any provision or provisions of this Article VI shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable for any reason whatsoever: (a) the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Article VI (including, without limitation, all portions of any paragraph of this Article VI containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, that are not themselves invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby; and (b) to the fullest extent possible, the provisions of this Article VI (including, without limitation, all portions of any paragraph of this Article VI containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, that are not themselves invalid, illegal or enforceable) shall be construed so as to give effect to the intent manifested by the provision held invalid, illegal or unenforceable.

SECTION 6.6 Indemnification of Employees and Agents. Notwithstanding any other provision or provisions of this Article VI, the Corporation, to the fullest extent of the provisions of this Article VI with respect to the indemnification of directors and officers of the Corporation or any Covered Entity, may indemnify any person other than a director or officer of the Corporation or any Covered Entity, who is or was an employee or agent of the Corporation or a Covered Entity and who is or was involved in any manner (including, without limitation, as a party or a witness) or is threatened to be made so involved in any threatened, pending or completed Proceeding by reason of the fact that such person, or another person of whom such person is the legal representative, is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or of a Covered Entity, whether the basis of such Proceeding is alleged action in an official capacity as a director, officer, employee or agent or in any other capacity while serving as a director, officer, employee or agent, against all expenses, liabilities and losses (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, ERISA excise taxes or penalties and amounts paid in settlement) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such Proceeding. The Corporation may also advance expenses incurred by such employee or agent in connection with any such Proceeding, consistent with the provisions of this Article VI with respect to the advancement of expenses of directors, officers and employees of the Corporation.

# ARTICLE VII

#### Capital Stock

# SECTION 7.1 Certificates for Shares and Uncertificated Shares.

(a) The shares of stock of the Corporation shall be uncertificated shares that may be evidenced by a book-entry system maintained by the registrar of such stock, or shall be represented by certificates, or a combination of both. To the extent that shares are represented by certificates, such certificates whenever authorized by the Board shall be in such form as shall be approved by the Board. The certificates representing shares of stock of each class shall be signed by, or in the name of, the Corporation by any two authorized officers of the Corporation, and sealed with the seal of the Corporation, which may be a facsimile thereof. Any or all such signatures may be facsimiles if countersigned by a transfer agent or registrar. Although any officer, transfer agent or registrar whose manual or facsimile signature is affixed to such a certificate ceases to be such officer, transfer agent or registrar before such certificate has been issued, it may nevertheless be issued by the Corporation with the same effect as if such officer, transfer agent or registrar were still such at the date of its issue. Within a reasonable time after the issuance or transfer of uncertificated shares, the Corporation shall send to the registered owner thereof a written notice in accordance with Section 151(f) of the DGCL.

(b) The stock ledger and blank share certificates, if any, shall be kept by the Secretary or by a transfer agent or by a registrar or by any other officer or agent designated by the Board.

SECTION 7.2 <u>Transfer of Shares</u>. Transfers of shares of stock of each class of the Corporation shall be made only on the books of the Corporation upon authorization by the registered holder thereof, or by such holder's attorney thereunto authorized by a power of attorney duly executed and filed with the Secretary or a transfer agent for such stock, if any, and if such shares are represented by a certificate, upon surrender of the certificate or certificates for such shares properly endorsed or accompanied by a duly executed stock transfer power (or by proper evidence of succession, assignment or authority to transfer) and the payment of any taxes thereon; <u>provided, however</u>, that the Corporation shall be entitled to recognize and enforce any lawful restriction on transfer. The person in whose name shares are registered on the books of the Corporation shall be deemed the owner thereof for all purposes as regards the Corporation; <u>provided, however</u>, that whenever any transfer of shares shall be made for collateral security and not absolutely, and written notice thereof shall be given to the Secretary or to such transfer agent, such fact shall be stated in the entry of the transfer. No transfer of shares shall be valid as against the Corporation, its stockholders and creditors for any purpose, except to render the transferee liable for the debts of the Corporation to the extent provided by law, until it shall have been entered in the stock records of the Corporation by an entry showing from and to whom transferred.

# SECTION 7.3 Registered Stockholders and Addresses of Stockholders.

- (a) The Corporation shall be entitled to recognize the exclusive right of a person registered on its records as the owner of shares of stock to receive dividends and to vote as such owner, shall be entitled to hold liable for calls and assessments a person registered on its records as the owner of shares of stock, and shall not be bound to recognize any equitable or other claim to or interest in such share or shares of stock on the part of any other person, whether or not it shall have express or other notice thereof, except as otherwise provided by the laws of the State of Delaware.
- (b) Each stockholder shall designate to the Secretary or transfer agent of the Corporation an address at which notices of meetings and all other corporate notices may be given to such person, and, if any stockholder shall fail to designate such address, corporate notices may be given to such person by mail directed to such person at such person's post office address, if any, as the same appears on the stock record books of the Corporation or at such person's last known post office address.

SECTION 7.4 <u>Lost, Destroyed and Mutilated Certificates</u>. The holder of any certificate representing any shares of stock of the Corporation shall immediately notify the Corporation of any loss, theft, destruction or mutilation of such certificate; the Corporation may issue to such holder a new certificate or certificates for shares, upon the surrender of the mutilated certificate or, in the case of loss, theft or destruction of the certificate, upon satisfactory proof of such loss, theft or destruction; the Board, or a committee designated thereby, or the transfer agents and registrars for the stock, may, in their discretion, require the owner of the lost, stolen or destroyed certificate, or such person's legal representative, to give the Corporation a bond in such sum and with such surety or sureties as they may direct to indemnify the Corporation and said transfer agents and registrars against any claim that may be made on account of the alleged loss, theft or destruction of any such certificate or the issuance of such new certificate.

SECTION 7.5 <u>Regulations</u>. The Board may make such additional rules and regulations as it may deem expedient concerning the issue, transfer and registration of certificated or uncertificated shares of stock of each class and series of the Corporation and may make such rules and take such action as it may deem expedient concerning the issue of certificates in lieu of certificates claimed to have been lost, destroyed, stolen or mutilated.

SECTION 7.6 Fixing Date for Determination of Stockholders of Record. In order that the Corporation may determine the stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of the stockholders or any adjournment thereof, or entitled to receive payment of any dividend or other distribution or allotment of any rights, or entitled to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of stock or for the purpose of any other lawful action, the Board may fix, in advance, a record date, which shall not be more than 60 days nor less than 10 days before the date of such meeting, nor more than 60 days prior to any other action. A determination of stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of the stockholders shall apply to any adjournment of the meeting; provided, however, that the Board may fix a new record date for the adjourned meeting.

SECTION 7.7 <u>Transfer Agents and Registrars</u>. The Board may appoint, or authorize any officer or officers to appoint, one or more transfer agents and one or more registrars.

# ARTICLE VIII

#### <u>Seal</u>

The Board may approve a suitable corporate seal. The seal may be used by causing it or a facsimile thereof to be impressed or affixed or in any other manner reproduced.

#### ARTICLE IX

## Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the Corporation shall be as fixed by the Board from time to time. If the Board makes no determination to the contrary, the fiscal year of the Corporation shall end on the 30th day of September in each year.

#### ARTICLE X

#### Waiver of Notice

Whenever any notice whatsoever is required to be given by these By-laws, by the Certificate or by law, the person entitled thereto may, either before or after the meeting or other matter in respect of which such notice is to be given, waive such notice in writing or as otherwise permitted by law, which shall be filed with or entered upon the records of the meeting or the records kept with respect to such other matter, as the case may be, and in such event such notice need not be given to such person and such waiver shall be deemed equivalent to such notice.

#### ARTICLE XI

# **Amendments**

These By-laws may be altered, amended or repealed, in whole or in part, or new By-laws may be adopted by the stockholders or by the Board at any meeting thereof; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that notice of such alteration, amendment, repeal or adoption of new By-laws is contained in the notice of such meeting of the stockholders or in the notice of such meeting of the Board and, in the latter case, such notice is given not less than 24 hours prior to the meeting. Unless a higher percentage is required by the Certificate, all such amendments must be approved by either the holders of a majority of the combined voting power of the outstanding shares of all classes and series of capital stock of the Corporation entitled generally to vote in the election of directors of the Corporation, voting as a single class, or by a majority of the directors of the Board.

## ARTICLE XII

#### Miscellaneous

SECTION 12.1 Execution of Documents. The Board or any committee thereof shall designate the officers, employees and agents of the Corporation who shall have power to execute and deliver deeds, contracts, mortgages, bonds, debentures, indentures, notes, checks, drafts and other orders for the payment of money and other documents for and in the name of the Corporation and may authorize (including, without limitation, authority to redelegate) by written instrument to other officers, employees or agents of the Corporation. Such delegation may be by resolution or otherwise and the authority granted shall be general or confined to specific matters, all as the Board or any such committee may determine. In the absence of such designation referred to in the first sentence of this Section, the officers of the Corporation shall have such power so referred to, to the extent incident to the normal performance of their duties.

SECTION 12.2 <u>Deposits</u>. All funds of the Corporation not otherwise employed shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Corporation or otherwise as the Board or any committee thereof or any officer of the Corporation to whom power in respect of financial operations shall have been delegated by the Board or any such committee or in these By-laws shall select.

SECTION 12.3 <u>Checks</u>. All checks, drafts and other orders for the payment of money out of the funds of the Corporation, and all notes or other evidences of indebtedness of the Corporation, shall be signed on behalf of the Corporation in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Board or of any committee thereof or by any officer of the Corporation to whom power in respect of financial operations shall have been delegated by the Board or any such committee thereof or as set forth in these By-laws.

SECTION 12.4 <u>Proxies in Respect of Stock or Other Securities of Other Corporations</u>. The Board or any committee thereof shall designate the officers of the Corporation who shall have authority from time to time to appoint an agent or agents of the Corporation to exercise in the name and on behalf of the Corporation the powers and rights which the Corporation may have as the holder of stock or other securities in any other corporation or other entity, and to vote or consent in respect of such stock or securities; such designated officers may instruct the person or persons so appointed as to the manner of exercising such powers and rights; and such designated officers may execute or cause to be executed in the name and on behalf of the Corporation and under its corporate seal, or otherwise, such written proxies, powers of attorney or other instruments as they may deem necessary or proper in order that the Corporation may exercise its said powers and rights.

SECTION 12.5 <u>Subject to Law and Certificate of Incorporation</u>. All powers, duties and responsibilities provided for in these By-laws, whether or not explicitly so qualified, are qualified by the provisions of the Certificate and applicable laws.

# TAX MATTERS AGREEMENT

BY AND BETWEEN

NUANCE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

AND

CERENCE INC.

DATED AS OF September 30, 2019

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#### TAX MATTERS AGREEMENT

This TAX MATTERS AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is entered into as of September 30, 2019, by and between Nuance Communications, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Parent"), and Cerence Inc., a Delaware corporation ("SpinCo") (collectively, the "Companies" and each, a "Company").

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, Parent and SpinCo have entered into a Separation and Distribution Agreement, dated as of September 30, 2019 (the "<u>Separation and Distribution Agreement</u>"), providing for the separation of the SpinCo Business from the Parent Business;

WHEREAS, Parent and its Subsidiaries have engaged in certain restructuring transactions to facilitate the Spin-Off, as set forth in the Separation Step Plan;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Separation Step Plan and the terms of the Separation and Distribution Agreement, Parent will, among other things, make the Contribution and the Distribution;

WHEREAS, for U.S. federal Income Tax purposes, it is intended that the Contribution and the Distribution, taken together, qualify as a transaction that is generally tax-free pursuant to Sections 368(a)(1)(D) and 355(a) of the Code; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to provide for and agree upon the allocation between the parties of liabilities for Taxes arising prior to, as a result of, and subsequent to the Distribution, and to provide for and agree upon other matters relating to Taxes.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements contained herein, the parties hereby agree as follows:

# ARTICLE I

# **DEFINITIONS**

Section 1.01 <u>Definition of Terms</u>. For purposes of this Agreement (including the recitals hereof), the following terms have the following meanings, and capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.

"Active Trade or Business" means, with respect to each of the ATB Entities, the active conduct (as defined in Section 355(b)(2) of the Code and the Treasury Regulations thereunder) by such entity and its "separate affiliated group" (as defined in Section 355(b)(3)(B) of the Code) of the trades or businesses relied upon to satisfy Section 355(b) of the Code with respect to the Distribution or any other applicable transaction identified in the Tax Opinions/Rulings or Representation Letters.

"Actually Realized" or "Actually Realizes" means, for purposes of determining the timing of the incurrence of any Tax Liability or the realization of a Refund (or any related Tax cost or Tax Benefit), whether by receipt or as a credit or other offset to Taxes otherwise payable, by a Person in respect of any payment, transaction, occurrence or event, the time at which the amount of cash Taxes paid (or Refund realized) by such Person is increased above (or reduced below) the amount of cash Taxes that such Person would have been required to pay (or Refund that such Person would have realized) but for such payment, transaction, occurrence or event.

- "Affiliate" has the meaning set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.
- "Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
- "Ancillary Agreements" has the meaning set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.
- "ATB Entities" means the entities listed on Schedule A.
- "Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday or a day on which banking institutions are generally authorized or required by Law to close in New York, New York.
  - "Code" means the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
  - "Companies" or "Company" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
  - "Contribution" has the meaning set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.
  - "Distribution" has the meaning set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.
  - "Distribution Date" has the meaning set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.
  - "Effective Time" means the effective time of the Distribution, as set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.
- "<u>Fifty-Percent or Greater Interest</u>" has the meaning ascribed to such term for purposes of Sections 355(d) and (e) of the Code and the Treasury Regulations thereunder.
  - "Filing Company" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.01.

"Final Determination" means the final resolution of liability for any Tax, which resolution may be for a specific issue or adjustment or for a Tax Period, (a) by IRS Form 870 or 870-AD (or any successor forms thereto), on the date of acceptance by or on behalf of the taxpayer, or by a comparable form under the Laws of a state, local or non-U.S. taxing jurisdiction, except that a Form 870 or 870-AD or comparable form shall not constitute a Final Determination to the extent that it reserves (whether by its terms or by operation of Law) the right of the taxpayer to file a claim for Refund or the right of the Tax Authority to assert a further deficiency in respect of such issue or adjustment or for such Tax Period (as the case may be); (b) by a decision, judgment, decree or other order by a court of competent jurisdiction, which has become final and unappealable; (c) by a closing agreement or accepted offer in compromise under Section 7121 or 7122 of the Code, or a comparable agreement under the Laws of a state, local or non-U.S. taxing jurisdiction; (d) by any allowance of a Refund in respect of an overpayment of Tax, but only after the expiration of all periods during which such Refund may be recovered (including by way of offset) by the jurisdiction imposing such Tax; (e) by a final settlement resulting from a competent authority proceeding or determination; or (f) by any other final disposition, including by reason of the expiration of the applicable statute of limitations or by mutual agreement of the parties.

"Governmental Authority" has the meaning set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.

"Group" has the meaning set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.

"Income Taxes" means all federal, state, local, and non-U.S. income or franchise Taxes or other Taxes based on income or net worth.

"IRS" means the United States Internal Revenue Service.

"Joint Return" means any Tax Return that includes both a member of the Parent Group and a member of the SpinCo Group.

"Law" has the meaning set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.

"Loss" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.01(b).

"Non-Filing Company" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.01.

"Non-Recoverable VAT" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.01(c).

"Notified Action" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.04(a).

"Parent" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"<u>Parent Affiliated Group</u>" means the affiliated group (as such term is defined in Section 1504 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations thereunder) of which Parent is the common parent.

"Parent Business" means all businesses and operations of the Parent Group, other than the SpinCo Business.

"Parent Group" has the meaning given to the term "Nuance Group" in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.

"Past Practices" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.03(a).

"<u>Person</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, any entity may be a Person regardless of whether it is treated as disregarded for U.S. federal Income Tax purposes.

"Post-Distribution Tax Period" means any Tax Period (or portion thereof) beginning after the Distribution Date.

"Pre-Distribution Tax Period" means any Tax Period (or portion thereof) ending on or before the close of the Distribution Date.

"Privileged Documentation" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.03.

"Proposed Acquisition Transaction" means a transaction or series of transactions (or any agreement, understanding or arrangement, within the meaning of Section 355(e) of the Code and Treasury Regulations Section 1.355-7, or any other regulations promulgated thereunder, to enter into a transaction or series of transactions), whether such transaction is supported by SpinCo management or shareholders, is a hostile acquisition, or otherwise, as a result of which SpinCo would merge or consolidate with any other Person or as a result of which any Person or Persons would (directly or indirectly) acquire, or have the right to acquire, from SpinCo and/or one or more holders of outstanding shares of SpinCo Capital Stock, a number of shares of SpinCo Capital Stock that would, when combined with any other changes in ownership of SpinCo Capital Stock pertinent for purposes of Section 355(e) of the Code, comprise 40% or more of (i) the value of all outstanding shares of stock of SpinCo as of the date of such transaction, or, in the case of a series of transactions, the date of the last transaction of such series. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Proposed Acquisition Transaction shall not include (i) the adoption by SpinCo of a shareholder rights plan or (ii) issuances by SpinCo that satisfy Safe Harbor VIII (relating to acquisitions in connection with a person's performance of services) or Safe Harbor IX (relating to acquisitions by a retirement plan of an employer) of Treasury Regulations Section 1.355-7(d). For purposes of determining whether a transaction constitutes an indirect acquisition, any recapitalization resulting in a shift of voting

power or any redemption of shares of stock shall be treated as an indirect acquisition of shares of stock by the non-exchanging shareholders. This definition and the application thereof are intended to monitor compliance with Section 355(e) of the Code and shall be interpreted accordingly. Any clarification of, or change in, the statute or regulations promulgated under Section 355(e) of the Code shall be incorporated into this definition and its interpretation.

"Recipient" means, with respect to the transfers of assets and/or the assumption of liabilities occurring pursuant to any of the Separation Transactions, the Person receiving assets and/or assuming liabilities.

"Recoverable VAT" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.01(c).

"Refund" means any cash refund of Taxes or reduction of cash Taxes paid by means of credit, deduction, offset or otherwise.

"Representation Letters" means the statements of facts and representations, officer's certificates, representation letters and any other materials (including, without limitation, a Ruling Request and any related supplemental submissions to the IRS or other Tax Authority) delivered by Parent, SpinCo or any of their respective Affiliates or representatives in connection with the rendering by Tax Counsel, and/or the issuance by the IRS or other Tax Authority, of the Tax Opinions/Rulings.

"Restriction Period" means the period beginning on the date of this Agreement and ending on, and including, the last day of the two-year period following the Distribution Date.

"Responsible Company" means, with respect to any Tax Return, the Company having responsibility for preparing such Tax Return under this Agreement.

"Retention Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.01.

"Ruling Request" means any letter filed by Parent with the IRS or other Tax Authority requesting a ruling regarding certain tax consequences of any of the Separation Transactions (including all attachments, exhibits, and other materials submitted with such ruling request letter) and any amendments or supplements to such ruling request letter.

"Section 336(e) Election" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.07.

"Separate Return" means (i) in the case of the SpinCo Group, a Tax Return of any member of that Group (including any consolidated, combined, affiliated or unitary Tax Return) that does not include, for all or any portion of the relevant Tax Period, any member of the Parent Group and (ii) in the case of the Parent Group, a Tax Return of any member of that Group (including any consolidated, combined, affiliated or unitary Tax Return) that does not include, for all or any portion of the relevant Tax Period, any member of the SpinCo Group.

"Separation and Distribution Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Separation Related Tax Contest" means any Tax Contest in which the IRS, another Tax Authority or any other party asserts a position that could reasonably be expected to (a) adversely affect, jeopardize or prevent (i) the Tax-Free Status of the Contribution and the Distribution, taken together, or (ii) the intended tax treatment of any Separation Transaction (other than a Separation Transaction described in clause (i)) as set forth in the Tax Opinions/Rulings (or if not set forth in the Tax Opinions/Rulings, in the Separation Step Plan) or (b) otherwise affect the amount of Taxes imposed with respect to any of the Separation Transactions.

"Separation Step Plan" has the meaning set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.

"Separation Tax Losses" means (i) all Taxes imposed pursuant to (or any reduction in a Refund resulting from) any settlement, Final Determination, judgment or otherwise; (ii) all third-party accounting, legal and other professional fees and court costs incurred in connection with such Taxes (or reduction in a Refund), as well as any other out-of-pocket costs incurred in connection with such Taxes (or reduction in a Refund); and (iii) all third-party costs, expenses and damages associated with any stockholder litigation or other controversy and any amount required to be paid by Parent (or any Affiliate of Parent) or SpinCo (or any Affiliate of SpinCo) in respect of any liability of or to shareholders, whether paid to shareholders or to the IRS or any other Tax Authority, in each case, resulting from (x) the failure of the Contribution and the Distribution, taken together, to have Tax-Free Status; or (y) the failure of a Separation Transaction to have the intended tax treatment described in the Tax Opinions/Rulings (or, if not described in the Tax Opinions/Rulings, in the Separation Step Plan); provided that amounts shall be treated as having been required to be paid for purposes of clause (iii) of this definition to the extent they are paid in a good-faith compromise or settlement of an asserted claim.

"Separation Transactions" has the meaning set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.

"SpinCo Affiliated Group" means the affiliated group (as such term is defined in Section 1504 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations thereunder) of which SpinCo is the common parent following the Distribution Date.

"SpinCo Business" has the meaning set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.

"SpinCo Business Balance Sheet" has the meaning set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.

"SpinCo Capital Stock" means all classes or series of capital stock of SpinCo, including (i) the SpinCo Common Stock, (ii) all options, warrants and other rights to acquire such capital stock and (iii) all instruments properly treated as stock in SpinCo for U.S. federal Income Tax purposes.

- "SpinCo Common Stock" has the meaning set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.
- "SpinCo Group" has the meaning set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.
- "SpinCo Liabilities" has the meaning set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.
- "Spin-Off" has the meaning set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.
- "Straddle Period" means any Tax Period beginning on or before the Distribution Date and ending after the Distribution Date.
- "Subsidiary" has the meaning set forth in the Separation and Distribution Agreement.
- "Tax" or "Taxes" means any taxes, fees, assessments, duties or other similar charges imposed by any Tax Authority, including, income, gross income, gross receipts, profits, capital stock, franchise, withholding, payroll, social security, workers' compensation, unemployment, disability, property, ad valorem, stamp, excise, severance, occupation, service, sales, use, license, lease, transfer, import, export, value-added, alternative minimum, estimated, unclaimed property or escheat, or other tax (including any fee, assessment, duty, or other charge in the nature of or in lieu of any tax), and any interest, penalties, additions to tax or additional amounts in respect of the foregoing. For the avoidance of doubt, Tax includes any increase in Tax as a result of a Final Determination.
  - "Tax Advisor" means a U.S. Tax counsel or other Tax advisor of recognized national standing reasonably acceptable to both Companies.
  - "Tax Advisor Dispute" has the meaning set forth in Section 13.01.
- "<u>Tax Attributes</u>" means a net operating loss, net capital loss, unused investment credit, unused foreign tax credit, excess charitable contribution, general business credit, research and development credit or any other similar Tax item that could reduce a Tax or create a Tax Benefit.
- "<u>Tax Authority</u>" means any Governmental Authority imposing any Tax, charged with the collection of Taxes or otherwise having jurisdiction with respect to any Tax.
- "<u>Tax Benefit</u>" means any loss, deduction, Refund, credit, offset or other Tax item reducing Taxes paid or payable. For purposes of this Agreement, the amount of any Tax Benefit Actually Realized by a Person as a result of any such Tax item shall be determined on a "with and without basis" as the excess of (a) the hypothetical liability of such Person for the relevant Tax for the relevant Tax Period, calculated as if such Tax item had not been utilized but with all other facts unchanged, over (b) the actual liability of such Person for such Tax for such Tax

Period, calculated taking into account such Tax item (and, for this purpose, treating a Refund as a reduction in liability for Tax).

"Tax Contest" means an audit, review, examination or any other administrative or judicial proceeding with respect to Taxes (including any administrative or judicial review of any claim for any Refund or other Tax Benefit).

"Tax Counsel" means a U.S. Tax counsel or other Tax advisor of recognized national standing acceptable to Parent, in its sole discretion.

"Tax-Free Status" means the qualification of (i) the Contribution and the Distribution, taken together, as a "reorganization" described in Sections 368(a)(1)(D) and 355(a) of the Code, (ii) the Distribution as a transaction in which the stock distributed thereby is "qualified property" for purposes of Sections 355(c) and 361(c) of the Code (and neither Section 355(d) or 355(e) of the Code causes such stock to be treated as other than "qualified property" for such purposes), (iii) the Contribution and the Distribution, taken together, as a transaction in which Parent, SpinCo, and the members of each of the Parent Group and SpinCo Group, as applicable, recognize no income or gain for U.S. federal Income Tax purposes pursuant to Sections 355, 361 and/or 1032 of the Code, other than intercompany items or excess loss accounts taken into account pursuant to the Treasury Regulations promulgated pursuant to Section 1502 of the Code.

"Tax Liability" means any liability or obligation for Taxes.

"<u>Tax Opinions/Rulings</u>" means the opinions of Tax Counsel and/or the rulings by the IRS or other Tax Authorities delivered to Parent in connection with the Spin-Off, or otherwise with respect to the Separation Transactions.

"<u>Tax Period</u>" means, with respect to any Tax, the period for which the Tax is reported or required to be reported as provided under the Code or other applicable Law.

"<u>Tax Records</u>" means any Tax Returns, Tax Return workpapers, documentation relating to any Tax Contest, and any other books of account or records (whether or not in written, electronic or other tangible or intangible forms and whether or not stored on electronic or any other medium) maintained or required to be maintained under the Code or other applicable Laws or under any record retention agreement with any Tax Authority, in each case, with respect to otherwise relating to Taxes.

"<u>Tax Return</u>" means any report of Taxes due, any claim for Refund of Taxes paid, any information return with respect to Taxes, or any other report, statement, declaration, or document in respect of Taxes filed or required to be filed under the Code or other Law, including any attachments, exhibits or other materials submitted with any of the foregoing, and including any amendments or supplements to any of the foregoing.

"<u>Transferor</u>" means, with respect to the transfers of assets and/or assumption of liabilities occurring pursuant to any of the Separation Transactions, the Person transferring assets and/or whose liabilities are being assumed.

"Treasury Regulations" means the regulations promulgated under the Code.

"<u>Unqualified Tax Opinion</u>" means an unqualified "will" opinion of a Tax Counsel, and on which Parent may rely, to the effect that (a) a transaction will not affect the Tax-Free Status of the Contribution and the Distribution, taken together, and (b) will not adversely affect any of the conclusions set forth in the Tax Opinions/Rulings; provided that any tax opinion obtained in connection with a proposed acquisition of SpinCo Capital Stock entered into during the Restriction Period shall not qualify as an Unqualified Tax Opinion unless such tax opinion concludes that such proposed acquisition will not be treated as "part of a plan (or series of related transactions)," within the meaning of Section 355(e) of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder, that includes the Distribution; provided, that any such opinion must assume that the Contribution and the Distribution, taken together, would have qualified for Tax-Free Status if the transaction in question did not occur.

"VAT" means any value-added Taxes, goods and services Taxes, or any similar or equivalent Taxes in any relevant jurisdiction.

# **ARTICLE II**

# ALLOCATION OF TAX LIABILITIES

Section 2.01 Taxes.

- (a) Except as otherwise provided in Section 2.01(c), Parent shall be responsible for all Taxes (i) of the SpinCo Group for any Pre-Distribution Tax Period; (ii) of the SpinCo Group for any Straddle Period, but only to the extent allocated to Parent pursuant to Section 2.02; or (iii) imposed under Treasury Regulations Section 1.1502–6 or under any comparable or similar provision of state, local or non-U.S. Laws on any member of the SpinCo Group solely as a result of such company being a member of a consolidated, combined, affiliated or unitary group with any member of the Parent Group during any Tax Period, in each case to the extent in excess of amounts provided for in respect of such Taxes on the SpinCo Business Balance Sheet; provided that, solely for purposes of this Section 2.01(a), "SpinCo Group" shall not include any Person that becomes a Subsidiary of SpinCo after the Distribution.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in Section 2.01(c), SpinCo shall be responsible for all Taxes (i) of the SpinCo Group which are not the responsibility of Parent pursuant to Section 2.01(a) (including Income Taxes for Post-Distribution Tax Periods of any member of the SpinCo Group) and (ii) of the Parent Group attributable to acts or omissions of any member of the SpinCo Group taken after the Distribution (other than acts or omissions in the ordinary course of business or otherwise contemplated by the Separation and Distribution Agreement and Ancillary Agreements).
- (c) All charges in respect of the transfers occurring pursuant to the Separation Transactions shall be exclusive of any VAT. Without limiting any provision of this

Agreement, (i) in the case of any VAT arising in connection with a Separation Transaction that is recoverable by the Recipient or any of its Affiliates under applicable Law (whether by way of Refund, input VAT, or otherwise) (any such VAT, "Recoverable VAT"), the Company of which Recipient is an Affiliate shall be responsible for any such Recoverable VAT, unless any such Recoverable VAT becomes non-recoverable as a result of an action or failure to act by the Transferor or any of its Affiliates, in which case the Company of which Transferor is an Affiliate shall be responsible for such VAT, and (b) in the case of any other VAT arising in connection with a Separation Transaction (such VAT, "Non-Recoverable VAT"), Parent shall be responsible for any such Non-Recoverable VAT, unless any such Non-Recoverable VAT becomes non-recoverable as a result of an action or failure to act by SpinCo or any of its Affiliates, in which case SpinCo shall be responsible for such VAT. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, to the extent a Company (or any of its Affiliates) recovers (whether by way of Refund, input VAT, or otherwise) any VAT that was paid or otherwise borne by the other Company (or any of its Affiliates), the Company that received (or the Affiliate of which received) such recovery shall, without duplication of any other amounts payable pursuant to this Agreement, promptly pay over to such other Company (or its Affiliate) the amount of such recovery. For purposes of determining whether a Company (or its Affiliate) has received any such recovery of VAT, any Refund or input VAT received by a Company (or its Affiliate) shall be considered to be attributable to VAT arising in connection with the Separation Transactions prior to any Refund or input VAT being considered to be attributable to other payments of VAT. The Companies and their Affiliates shall cooperate to minimize any VAT and in obtaining any Refund, return or rebate of VAT, or applying an exemption or zero-rating for goods or services giving rise to any VAT, including by filing any exemption or other similar forms or providing valid tax identification numbers or other relevant registration numbers, certificates, invoices, or other documents.

#### Section 2.02 Allocation of Taxes.

- (a) If any member of a Group is permitted but not required under applicable U.S. federal, state, local or non-U.S. Laws to treat the Distribution Date as the last day of a Tax Period with respect to any member of the SpinCo Group, then the Companies shall treat such day as the last day of the applicable Tax Period under such applicable Law, and shall file any elections necessary or appropriate for such treatment; provided that, for the avoidance of doubt, this Section 2.02(a) shall not be construed to require Parent to change its taxable year or treat the Distribution Date as the last day of a Tax Period of any member of the Parent Group.
- (b) Transactions occurring, or actions taken, on the Distribution Date but after the Distribution outside the ordinary course of business by, or with respect to, any member of the SpinCo Group shall be deemed subject to the "next day rule" of Treasury Regulations Section 1.1502-76(b)(1)(ii)(B) (and under any comparable or similar provision under state, local or non-U.S. Laws or regulations; provided that if there is no comparable or similar provision under state, local or foreign Laws or regulations, then the transaction will be deemed subject to the "next day rule" of Treasury Regulations Section 1.1502–76(b)(1)(ii)(B)) and as such shall for purposes of this Agreement be treated (and consistently reported by the Companies) as occurring in a Post-Distribution Tax Period of the SpinCo Group, as appropriate.

- (c) Any Taxes for a Straddle Period with respect to the SpinCo Group (or entities in which any member of the SpinCo Group has an ownership interest) shall, for purposes of this Agreement, be apportioned between Parent and SpinCo based on the portion of the period ending on and including the Distribution Date and the portion of the period beginning after the Distribution Date, and each such portion of such period shall be deemed to be a Tax Period (whether or not it is in fact a Tax Period). Notwithstanding the foregoing, (a) any allocation of income or deductions required to determine any Income Taxes for a Straddle Period shall be made by means of a closing of the books and records of the SpinCo Group as of the close of business on the Distribution Date; provided that (i) Parent may elect to allocate Tax items (other than any extraordinary Tax items) ratably in the month in which the Distribution occurs (and if Parent so elects, SpinCo shall so elect) as described in Treasury Regulations Section 1.1502-76(b)(2)(iii) and corresponding provisions of state, local, and non-U.S. Laws; and (ii) subject to clause (i), exemptions, allowances or deductions that are calculated on an annual basis, and not on a closing of the books method, (including depreciation and amortization deductions) shall be allocated between the period ending on and including the Distribution Date, on the one hand, and the number of days for the portion of the Straddle Period beginning after the Distribution Date, on the other hand, and (b) any VAT or other transaction-based Taxes for a Straddle Period shall be allocated between the portion of the period ending on and including the Distribution Date and the portion of the period beginning after the Distribution Date by means of a closing of the books and records of the SpinCo Group as of the close of business on the Distribution Date.
- (d) All Taxes in respect of deferred revenue or prepaid income actually received in a Pre-Distribution Tax Period shall be treated as Taxes for a Pre-Distribution Tax Period, whether or not such Taxes are payable with respect to a Pre-Distribution Tax Period or deferred to a Post-Distribution Tax Period (whether by election or otherwise).

# ARTICLE III

#### PREPARATION AND FILING OF TAX RETURNS

Section 3.01 <u>Parent Returns</u>. Parent shall make all determinations with respect to, have ultimate control over the preparation of, and, except as otherwise provided in <u>Section 3.02(b)</u>, file all (i) Joint Returns and Separate Returns of the Parent Group, in each case as it determines to be mandatory or advisable for all Tax Periods and (ii) Separate Returns of the SpinCo Group for all Pre-Distribution Tax Periods and for all Straddle Periods.

## Section 3.02 SpinCo Returns.

(a) SpinCo shall make all determinations with respect to, have ultimate control over the preparation of and file all Tax Returns (other than those described in Section 3.01) for the SpinCo Group as it determines to be mandatory or advisable and for all Tax Periods; provided that (i) SpinCo shall cause Consolidated Mobile Corp. to file a separate Tax Return and not as a member of the SpinCo Affiliated Group, commencing with the Tax Period beginning as of the Distribution Date, (ii) SpinCo and its eligible Subsidiaries as of immediately following the Distribution Date (for the avoidance of doubt, other than Consolidated Mobile Corp.) shall elect to file a consolidated Tax Return under Treasury Regulations Section 1.1502-75 and file all Tax Returns as part of the SpinCo Affiliated Group, commencing with the Tax Period beginning as of the day immediately following the

Distribution Date and (iii) Consolidated Mobile Corp. shall not be included in the SpinCo Affiliated Group with respect to any Tax Period commencing before the date that is two years following the Distribution Date.

- (b) SpinCo shall provide to Parent all information related to members of the SpinCo Group that is reasonably requested by Parent to complete any Tax Return which is the responsibility of Parent pursuant to Section 3.01, in the format reasonably requested by Parent, and as promptly as is reasonably practicable upon receiving such request. In particular, the SpinCo Group will support Parent with respect to data collection and compilation requirements, and will sign and file or cause to be signed and filed any Tax Return described in Section 3.01 that any member of the SpinCo Group is required by Law to sign and file.
- (c) In the case of any Tax Return that is the responsibility of Parent pursuant to <u>Section 3.01</u> and that relates to a Tax that is provided for on the SpinCo Business Balance Sheet, SpinCo shall pay to Parent the amount of the provision for such Tax no later than 10 days prior to the due date (including extensions) for the filing of such Tax Return.

# Section 3.03 <u>Tax Accounting Practices</u>.

- (a) Except as provided in Section 3.03(b), any Tax Return for any Pre-Distribution Tax Period, to the extent it relates to members of the SpinCo Group, shall be prepared in accordance with practices, accounting methods, elections, conventions and Tax positions used with respect to the Tax Return in question for periods prior to the Distribution ("Past Practices"), and, in the case of any item the treatment of which is not addressed by Past Practices, in accordance with generally acceptable Tax accounting practices. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for any Tax Return described in the preceding sentence, (i) a Company will not be required to follow Past Practices with either the written consent of the other Company (not to be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned) or a "more likely than not" (or stronger) level opinion from a Tax Advisor that the proposed method of reporting is correct and (ii) Parent shall have the right to determine which entities will be included in any consolidated, combined, affiliated or unitary Tax Return that it is responsible for filing.
- (b) The Companies shall report the Separation Transactions for all Tax purposes in a manner consistent with the Tax Opinions/Rulings and the intended tax treatment set forth in the Separation Step Plan, unless, and only to the extent, an alternative position is required pursuant to a Final Determination. Parent shall determine the Tax treatment to be reported on any Tax Return of any Tax issue relating to the Separation Transactions that is not covered by the Tax Opinions/Rulings or the Separation Step Plan.

Section 3.04 <u>Right to Review Tax Returns</u>. Upon request, each Company shall make available to the other Company the portion of any Tax Return for the Pre-Distribution Tax Period that relates to the SpinCo Group that the first Company is responsible for preparing under this <u>Article III</u> and in respect of which the other Company could reasonably be expected to be

liable for an unreimbursed Tax Liability, and shall consider in good faith any reasonable comments made by the other Company with respect to items that could reasonably be expected to result in an unreimbursed Tax Liability to such other Company. Except as specifically provided in the preceding sentence, nothing contained in this Agreement (including in <a href="Article VII">Article VII</a>), the Separation and Distribution Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement shall permit or be deemed to permit SpinCo or any of its Affiliates or representatives to review or otherwise have access to any Joint Return or any Separate Return of the Parent Group.

#### Section 3.05 Apportionment of Earnings and Profits and Tax Attributes

- (a) If the Parent Affiliated Group or a member of the Parent Affiliated Group has a Tax Attribute, the portion, if any, of such Tax Attribute required to be apportioned to SpinCo or any member of the SpinCo Group and treated as a carryover to the first Post-Distribution Tax Period of SpinCo (or such member) shall be determined in good faith by Parent in accordance with Treasury Regulations Sections 1.1502-21, 1.1502-21T, 1.1502-22, 1.1502-36, 1.1502-79 and, if applicable, 1.1502-21A and 1.1502-79A, and Parent shall be entitled to make any elections in respect of the foregoing (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any election available under Treasury Regulations Section 1.1502-36(d)), in its sole discretion. Without limiting the foregoing, Parent shall be entitled, in its sole discretion, to make any elections available under Treasury Regulations Section 1.1502-36 to reattribute to Parent any Tax Attributes (including, for the avoidance of doubt, capital loss and net operating loss carryovers) of the SpinCo Group (including, for the avoidance of doubt, Consolidated Mobile Corp. and its Subsidiaries).
- (b) No Tax Attribute with respect to consolidated, combined, affiliated or unitary federal Income Tax of the Parent Affiliated Group, other than those Tax Attributes described in <a href="Section 3.05(a">Section 3.05(a</a>), and no Tax Attribute with respect to consolidated, combined, affiliated or unitary state, local or non-U.S. Income Tax, in each case, arising in respect of a Joint Return shall be apportioned to SpinCo or any member of the SpinCo Group, except as Parent (or such member of the Parent Group as Parent shall designate) determines in good faith is otherwise required under applicable Law.
- (c) Parent (or its designee) shall determine the portion, if any, of any Tax Attribute which must (absent a Final Determination to the contrary) be apportioned to SpinCo or any member of the SpinCo Group in accordance with this Section 3.05 and applicable Law and the amount of tax basis and earnings and profits to be apportioned to SpinCo or any member of the SpinCo Group in accordance with applicable Law, and shall provide written notice of the calculation thereof to SpinCo as soon as reasonably practicable after the information necessary to make such calculation becomes available to Parent. For the avoidance of doubt, Parent shall not be liable to any member of the SpinCo Group in respect of any determination under this Section 3.05, or for any failure of any determination under this Section 3.05 to be accurate under applicable Law.

# ARTICLE IV

# **PAYMENTS**

Section 4.01 <u>Payment of Taxes</u>. In the case of any Tax Return reflecting Taxes for which the Company that is not legally responsible for filing such Tax Return (the "<u>Non-Filing Company</u>") is responsible for payment, in whole or in part, under <u>Article II</u>, (i) the Company responsible for filing such Tax Return (the "<u>Filing Company</u>") shall pay any Taxes shown on such Tax Return as required to be paid to the applicable Tax Authority on or before the relevant due date (and provide notice and proof of payment to the Non-Filing Company), (ii) the

Responsible Company shall compute the amount of such Taxes allocable to the Non-Filing Company under the provisions of <u>Article II</u> and shall provide written notice, accompanied by a statement detailing the Taxes paid and describing in reasonable detail the particulars relating thereto, to the other Company and (iii) the Non-Filing Company shall pay to the Filing Company the amount of such Taxes allocable to the Non-Filing Company under the provisions of <u>Article II</u> within twenty (20) Business Days of the date of receipt of such written notice and statement; provided that no such payment shall be required to be made earlier than five (5) Business Days prior to the relevant due date for the payment of such Taxes.

Section 4.02 Adjustments Resulting in Underpayments. In the case of any adjustment pursuant to a Final Determination with respect to any Tax Return reflecting Taxes for which the Non-Filing Company is responsible for payment, in whole or in part, under Article II, (i) the Filing Company shall pay to the applicable Tax Authority when due any additional Taxes due with respect to such Tax Return required to be paid as a result of such adjustment, (ii) the Responsible Company shall compute the amount of such Taxes allocable to the Non-Filing Company under the provisions of Article II and shall provide written notice, accompanied by a statement detailing the Taxes paid and describing in reasonable detail the particulars relating thereto, to the other Company and (iii) the Non-Filing Company shall pay to the Filing Company the amount of such Taxes allocable to the Non-Filing Company under the provisions of Article II within twenty (20) Business Days of the date of receipt of such written notice and statement; provided that no such payment shall be required to be made earlier than five (5) Business Days prior to the date the additional Tax is required to be paid to the applicable Tax Authority.

Section 4.03 <u>Indemnification Payments</u>. Unless otherwise specified in this Agreement, all indemnification payments required to be made under this Agreement shall be made within twenty (20) Business Days of the date of receipt by the indemnifying Company of written notice from the indemnified Company of the amount owed, together with reasonable documentation showing the basis for the calculation of such amount and evidence of payment of such amounts by the indemnified Company to the relevant Tax Authority or other recipient.

Section 4.04 Payors; Payees; Treatment. All payments made under this Agreement shall be made by Parent directly to SpinCo and by SpinCo directly to Parent; *provided*, *however*, that if the Companies mutually agree with respect to any such payment, any member of the Parent Group, on the one hand, may make such indemnification payment to any member of the SpinCo Group, on the other hand, and vice versa (for the avoidance of doubt, if a Company makes a request to the other Company to the effect that any payment required to be made by it to the other Company or received by it from the other Company, in each case, pursuant to this Agreement, be made or received by a member of the relevant Company's Group other than a Company, the other Company's consent to such request shall not be unreasonably

withheld, conditioned or delayed). All payments made pursuant to this Agreement shall be treated in the manner described in Article XII.

# ARTICLE V

#### TAX BENEFITS

#### Section 5.01 Tax Benefits.

- (a) Except as set forth below, (i) Parent shall be entitled to any Refund (and any interest thereon received from the applicable Tax Authority) of any Taxes for which Parent is liable hereunder and (ii) SpinCo shall be entitled to any Refund (and any interest thereon received from the applicable Tax Authority) of any Taxes for which SpinCo is liable hereunder (other than any Refund to which Parent is entitled pursuant to clause (i) above). The Company receiving a Refund to which another Company is entitled hereunder, in whole or in part, shall pay over the amount of such Refund (or portion thereof) (and any interest on such amount received from the applicable Tax Authority but net of any costs and expenses (including Taxes) incurred by the Company (or a member of its Group) receiving such Refund in connection with obtaining or securing such Refund) to such other Company within twenty (20) Business Days after the receipt of such Refund or application of such Refund against Taxes otherwise payable. To the extent that any Refund (or portion thereof) in respect of which any amounts were paid over pursuant to the immediately preceding sentence is subsequently disallowed by the applicable Tax Authority, the Company that received such amounts shall promptly repay such amounts (together with any penalties, interest or other charges imposed by the relevant Tax Authority) to the other Company.
- (b) If (i) a member of the SpinCo Group Actually Realizes any Tax Benefit as result of (A) an adjustment pursuant to a Final Determination that increases Taxes for which a member of the Parent Group is liable hereunder or otherwise, (B) any liability, obligation, loss or payment (each, a "Loss") for which a member of the Parent Group is required to indemnify any member of the SpinCo Group pursuant to this Agreement, the Separation and Distribution Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement (in each case, without duplication of any amounts payable or taken into account under this Agreement, the Separation and Distribution Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement) or (C) any Section 336(e) Election (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any Tax Benefit Actually Realized by any member of the SpinCo Group as a result of any step-up in asset basis for U.S. federal Income Tax purposes resulting from such Section 336(e) Election, except to the extent any such Tax Benefit is directly attributable to Taxes imposed on any member of the Parent Group as a result of such Section 336(e) Election and for which a member of the SpinCo Group has actually indemnified Parent pursuant to this Agreement), or (ii) a member of the Parent Group Actually Realizes any Tax Benefit as a result of (A) an adjustment pursuant to a Final Determination that increases Taxes for which a member of the SpinCo Group is liable hereunder or otherwise or (B) any Loss for which a member of the SpinCo Group is required to indemnify any member of the Parent Group pursuant to this Agreement, the Separation and Distribution Agreement (in each case, without duplication of any amounts payable or taken into account under this Agreement, the Separation and Distribution Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement), SpinCo or Parent, as the case may be, shall make a payment to the other Company in an amount equal to the amount

of such Actually Realized Tax Benefit in cash within twenty (20) Business Days of Actually Realizing such Tax Benefit. To the extent that any Tax Benefit (or portion thereof) in respect of which any amounts were paid over pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this Section 5.01(b) is subsequently disallowed by the applicable Tax Authority, the Company that received such amounts shall promptly repay such amounts (together with any penalties, interest or other charges imposed by the relevant Tax Authority) to the other Company.

(c) No later than twenty (20) Business Days after a Tax Benefit described in Section 5.01(b) is Actually Realized by a member of the Parent Group or a member of the SpinCo Group, Parent or SpinCo, as the case may be, shall provide the other Company with a written calculation of the amount payable to such other Company pursuant to Section 5.01(b). In the event that Parent or SpinCo, as the case may be, disagrees with any such calculation described in this Section 5.01(c), Parent or SpinCo shall so notify the other Company in writing within twenty (20) Business Days of receiving such written calculation. Parent and SpinCo shall endeavor in good faith to resolve such disagreement, and, failing that, the amount payable under this Article V shall be determined in accordance with the disagreement resolution provisions of Article XIII as promptly as practicable.

#### ARTICLE VI

#### **TAX-FREE STATUS**

# Section 6.01 Representations of and Restrictions on SpinCo.

- (a) Each of Parent and SpinCo hereby represents and warrants that (A) it has examined all Ruling Requests, the Representation Letters and the Tax Opinions/Rulings (including, without limitation, the representations to the extent that they relate to the plans, proposals, intentions and policies of it, its Subsidiaries, its business or its Group, and (B) to the extent in reference to it, its Subsidiaries, its business or its Group, the facts presented and the representations made therein are true, correct and complete.
- (b) SpinCo hereby represents and warrants that (A) it has no plan or intention of taking any action, or failing to take any action (or causing or permitting any member of the SpinCo Group to take or fail to take any action), or knows of any circumstance, that could reasonably be expected to (i) adversely affect, jeopardize or prevent the Tax-Free Status of the Contribution and the Distribution, taken together, (ii) adversely affect, jeopardize or prevent the intended tax treatment of any Separation Transaction (other than a Separation Transaction described in clause (i)) as set forth in the Tax Opinions/Rulings (or if not set forth in the Tax Opinions/Rulings, in the Separation Step Plan) or (iii) cause any representation or factual statement made in this Agreement, the Separation and Distribution Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement, any Ruling Requests, the Representation Letters or the Tax Opinions/Rulings to be untrue, and (B) during the period beginning two years before the Distribution Date and ending on the Distribution Date, there was no "agreement, understanding, arrangement, substantial negotiations or discussions" (as such terms are defined in Treasury Regulations Section 1.355-7(h)) by any one or more officers or directors of any member of the SpinCo Group or by any other person or persons with the implicit or explicit permission of one or more of such officers or

directors regarding an acquisition of all or a significant portion of the SpinCo Capital Stock (and any predecessor); provided that no representation or warranty is made by SpinCo regarding any "agreement, understanding, arrangement, substantial negotiations or discussions" (as such terms are defined in Treasury Regulations Section 1.355-7(h)) by any one or more officers or directors of Parent.

#### Section 6.02 <u>Restrictions on SpinCo.</u>

- (a) SpinCo shall not take or fail to take, or cause or permit any Affiliate of SpinCo to take or fail to take, any action if such action or failure to act would be inconsistent with or cause to be untrue any statement, information, covenant or representation in a Ruling Request, Representation Letters or Tax Opinions/Rulings. SpinCo shall not take or fail to take, or cause or permit any Affiliate of SpinCo to take or fail to take, any action if such action or failure to act would or reasonably could be expected to adversely affect, jeopardize or prevent (A) the Tax-Free Status of the Contribution and the Distribution, taken together, or (B) the intended tax treatment of any Separation Transaction (other than a Separation Transaction described in clause (A)) as set forth in the Tax Opinions/Rulings (or if not set forth in the Tax Opinions/Rulings, in the Separation Step Plan).
- (b) From the Distribution Date until the first Business Day after the Restriction Period, SpinCo shall (i) maintain its status as a company engaged in an Active Trade or Business and (ii) not engage in any transaction that would or reasonably could result in it ceasing to be a company engaged in an Active Trade or Business.
  - (c) From the Distribution Date until the first Business Day after the Restriction Period, SpinCo shall not:
  - (i) enter into or permit to occur any Proposed Acquisition Transaction, or, to the extent SpinCo has the right to prohibit any Proposed Acquisition Transaction to occur;
  - (ii) merge or consolidate with any other Person, or liquidate or partially liquidate for U.S. federal income Tax purposes, provided that this Section 6.02(c)(ii) shall not apply to mergers, consolidations, liquidations, or partial liquidations effected exclusively between or among Affiliates of SpinCo in existence as of the date of this Agreement and which do not result in SpinCo (or any successor) ceasing to exist as a corporation for U.S. federal income Tax purposes;
  - (iii) in a single transaction or series of transactions sell or transfer 30% or more of the gross assets of any Active Trade or Business or 30% or more of the consolidated gross assets of the SpinCo Group (such percentages to be measured based on fair market value as of the Distribution Date);
    - (iv) redeem or otherwise repurchase (directly or through an Affiliate of SpinCo) any SpinCo Capital Stock;

- (v) amend its certificate of incorporation (or other organizational documents), or take any other action, whether through a stockholder vote or otherwise, affecting the voting rights of SpinCo Capital Stock (including, without limitation, through the conversion of one class of SpinCo Capital Stock into another class of SpinCo Capital Stock);
  - (vi) cause or permit any ATB Entity to cease to engage in an Active Trade or Business; or
- (vii) take any other action or actions (including any action or transaction that would be reasonably likely to be inconsistent with any representation made in a Ruling Request, the Representation Letters or the Tax Opinions/Rulings) which in the aggregate (and taking into account any other transactions described in this subparagraph (c)) would or reasonably could have the effect of causing or permitting one or more Persons (whether or not acting in concert) to acquire, directly or indirectly, stock representing a Fifty-Percent or Greater Interest in SpinCo (or any successor) or otherwise jeopardize the Tax-Free Status of the Contribution and the Distribution, taken together,

in each case, unless prior to taking any such action set forth in the foregoing clauses (i) through (vi), (A) SpinCo shall have requested that Parent obtain a private letter ruling (including a supplemental ruling, if applicable) from the IRS (a "Post-Distribution Ruling") in accordance with Sections 6.05(b) and (d) to the effect that such transaction will not affect such Tax-Free Status, and Parent shall have received such a Post-Distribution Ruling in form and substance satisfactory to Parent in its reasonable discretion, (B) SpinCo shall have provided Parent with an Unqualified Tax Opinion in form and substance satisfactory to Parent in its reasonable discretion (provided that Parent shall use reasonable efforts to timely make a determination as to whether an opinion is satisfactory to Parent, and provided, further, that in determining whether an opinion is satisfactory, Parent may consider, among other factors, the appropriateness of any underlying assumptions, and any management representations used as a basis for the Unqualified Tax Opinion) or (C) Parent shall have waived (which waiver may be withheld by Parent in its reasonable discretion) the requirement to obtain such Post-Distribution Ruling or Unqualified Tax Opinion.

(d) From the Distribution Date until the first Business Day after the one year period following the Distribution Date, no member of the SpinCo Group (including the SpinCo Affiliated Group or Consolidated Mobile Corp.) shall be liquidated or merged for U.S. federal Income Tax purposes.

Section 6.03 Restrictions on Parent. Parent agrees that it shall not take or fail to take, or cause or permit any Affiliate of Parent to take or fail to take, any action if such action or failure to act would or reasonably could be inconsistent with or cause to be untrue any statement, information, covenant or representation in a Ruling Request, any Representation Letters or Tax Opinions/Rulings. Parent shall not take or fail to take, or cause or permit any Affiliate of Parent to take or fail to take, any action that would or reasonably could be expected to adversely affect, jeopardize or prevent (A) the Tax-Free Status of the Contribution and the Distribution, taken together, or (B) adversely affect, jeopardize or prevent the intended tax treatment of any Separation Transaction (other than a Separation Transaction described in clause (A)) as set forth in the Tax Opinions/Rulings (or if not set forth in the Tax Opinions/Rulings, in the Separation Step Plan).

#### Section 6.04 Procedures Regarding Post-Distribution Rulings and Unqualified Tax Opinions.

- (a) If SpinCo determines that it desires to take one of the actions described in clauses (i) through (vii) of Section 6.02(c) (a "Notified Action"), SpinCo shall notify Parent of this fact in writing.
- (b) <u>Post-Distribution Rulings or Unqualified Tax Opinions at SpinCo's Request</u>. Unless Parent shall have waived the requirement to obtain such Post-Distribution Ruling or Unqualified Tax Opinion, upon the reasonable request of SpinCo pursuant to <u>Section 6.02(c)</u>, Parent shall use commercially reasonable efforts in cooperating with SpinCo and in seeking to obtain, as expeditiously as possible, a Post-Distribution Ruling from the IRS (and/or any other applicable Tax Authority) or an Unqualified Tax Opinion for the purpose of permitting SpinCo to take the Notified Action, subject in all respects to the provisions of <u>Section 6.02</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Parent shall not be required to file or cooperate in the filing of any request for a Post-Distribution Ruling under this <u>Section 6.04(b)</u> unless SpinCo represents that (A) it has reviewed such request for a Post-Distribution Ruling, and (B) all statements, information and representations relating to any member of the SpinCo Group contained in such request for a Post-Distribution Ruling are (subject to any qualifications therein) true, correct and complete. SpinCo shall reimburse Parent for all reasonable costs and expenses, including out-of-pocket expenses and expenses relating to the utilization of Parent personnel, incurred by the Parent Group in obtaining a Post-Distribution Ruling or Unqualified Tax Opinion requested by SpinCo within ten (10) Business Days after receiving an invoice from Parent therefor.
- (c) <u>Post-Distribution Rulings or Unqualified Tax Opinions at Parent's Request.</u> Parent shall have the right to obtain a Post-Distribution Ruling or an Unqualified Tax Opinion at any time in its sole and absolute discretion. If Parent determines to obtain a Post-Distribution Ruling or an Unqualified Tax Opinion, SpinCo shall (and shall cause each Affiliate of SpinCo to) cooperate with Parent and take any and all actions reasonably requested by Parent in connection with obtaining the Post-Distribution Ruling or Unqualified Tax Opinion (including, without limitation, by making any representation or covenant or providing any materials or information requested by the IRS, any other applicable Tax Authority or a Tax Counsel; provided that SpinCo shall not be required to make (or cause any Affiliate of SpinCo to make) any representation or covenant that is inconsistent with historical facts or as to future matters or events over which matters or events it has no control). Parent shall reimburse SpinCo for all reasonable costs and expenses, including out-of-pocket expenses and expenses relating to the utilization of SpinCo personnel, incurred by the Parent Group in connection with such cooperation within ten (10) Business Days after receiving an invoice from SpinCo therefor.
- (d) Parent shall have sole and exclusive control over the process of obtaining any Post-Distribution Ruling, and only Parent shall be permitted to apply for a Post-Distribution Ruling. In connection with obtaining a Post-Distribution Ruling, Parent shall (A) keep SpinCo informed in a timely manner of all material actions taken or proposed to be taken by Parent in connection therewith; (B) (1) reasonably in advance of the submission of any request for any Post-Distribution Ruling provide SpinCo with a draft copy thereof; (2) reasonably consider SpinCo comments on such draft copy; and (3) provide SpinCo with a

final copy of such Post-Distribution Ruling; and (C) provide SpinCo with notice reasonably in advance of, and SpinCo shall have the right to attend, any formally scheduled meetings with the IRS or other applicable Tax Authority (subject to the approval of the IRS or such Tax Authority) that relate to such Post-Distribution Ruling. Neither SpinCo nor any Affiliate of SpinCo directly or indirectly controlled by SpinCo shall seek any guidance from the IRS or any other Tax Authority (whether written, oral or otherwise) at any time concerning the Separation Transactions (including the impact of any transaction on the Separation Transactions).

# Section 6.05 <u>Liability for Separation Tax Losses</u>.

- (a) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the Separation and Distribution Agreement to the contrary (and in each case regardless of whether a Post-Distribution Ruling, Unqualified Tax Opinion or waiver described in clause (C) of Section 6.02(c) may have been provided), subject to Section 6.05(c), SpinCo shall be responsible for, and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Parent and its Affiliates from and against, any Separation Tax Losses that are attributable to or result from any one or more of the following: (A) the acquisition (other than pursuant to the Separation Transactions) of all or a portion of SpinCo's and/or its Affiliates' stock and/or assets by any means whatsoever by any Person, (B) any negotiations, understandings, agreements or arrangements by SpinCo or any of its Affiliates with respect to transactions or events (including, without limitation, stock issuances, pursuant to the exercise of stock options or otherwise, option grants, capital contributions or acquisitions, or a series of such transactions or events) that cause the Distribution to be treated as part of a plan pursuant to which one or more Persons acquire directly or indirectly a Fifty-Percent or Greater Interest in SpinCo (or any successor thereof), (C) any action or failure to act by SpinCo after the Distribution (including, without limitation, any amendment to SpinCo's certificate of incorporation (or other organizational documents), whether through a stockholder vote or otherwise) affecting the voting rights of SpinCo Capital Stock (including, without limitation, through the conversion of one class of SpinCo Capital Stock into another class of SpinCo Capital Stock), (D) any act or failure to act by SpinCo or any Affiliate of SpinCo described in Section 6.02 (regardless of whether such act or failure to act may be covered by a Post-Distribution Ruling, Unqualified Tax Opinion or waiver described in clause (C) of Section 6.02(c)) or (E) any breach by SpinCo of any of its agreements or representations set forth in Sect
- (b) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the Separation and Distribution Agreement to the contrary, subject to Section 6.05(c), Parent shall be responsible for, and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless SpinCo and its Affiliates from and against, any Separation Tax Losses that are attributable to, or result from any one or more of the following: (A) the acquisition of all or a portion of Parent's and/or its Affiliates' stock and/or its assets by any means whatsoever by any Person, (B) any negotiations, agreements or arrangements by Parent with respect to transactions or events (including, without limitation, stock issuances, pursuant to the exercise of stock options or otherwise, option grants, capital contributions or acquisitions, or a series of such transactions or events) that cause any of the Distribution to be treated as part of a plan pursuant to which one or more Persons acquire directly or indirectly stock of Parent (or any successor thereof) representing a Fifty-Percent or Greater Interest therein, or (C) any act or failure to act by Parent or a member of the Parent

Group described in Section 6.03 or any breach by Parent of any of its agreements or representations set forth in Section 6.01(a).

(c) To the extent that any Separation Tax Loss reasonably could be subject to indemnity under both Sections 6.05(a) and (b), responsibility for such Separation Tax Loss shall be shared by Parent and SpinCo according to relative fault as determined by Parent in good faith.

#### Section 6.06 Payment of Separation Taxes.

- (a) <u>Calculation of Separation Taxes Owed</u>. Parent shall calculate in good faith the amount of any Separation Tax Losses for which SpinCo is responsible under <u>Section 6.05</u>. Such calculation shall be binding on SpinCo absent manifest error.
- (b) <u>Notification of Separation Taxes Owed.</u> At least fifteen (15) Business Days prior to the date of payment of any Separation Tax Losses, Parent shall notify SpinCo of the amount of any Separation Tax Losses for which SpinCo is responsible under <u>Section 6.05</u>. In connection with such notification, Parent shall make available to SpinCo the portion of any Tax Return or other documentation and related workpapers that are relevant to the determination of the Separation Tax Losses attributable to SpinCo pursuant to <u>Section 6.05</u>.

# (c) Payment of Separation Taxes Owed.

- (i) At least ten (10) Business Days prior to the due date of payment of any Separation Tax Losses with respect to which SpinCo has received notification pursuant to Section 6.06(b), SpinCo shall pay to Parent the amount attributable to the SpinCo Group as calculated by Parent pursuant to Section 6.06(a). If Parent determines that it does not have a reasonable basis to file a Tax Return in a manner consistent with the Tax Opinions/Rulings, SpinCo shall pay the amount of Separation Tax Losses for which it is responsible, as determined by Parent pursuant to Section 6.06(a) and reported to SpinCo pursuant to Section 6.06(b), at least ten (10) Business Days before such Tax Return is due (taking into account extensions).
- (ii) With respect to all other Separation Tax Losses, SpinCo shall pay to Parent the amount attributable to the SpinCo Group as calculated by Parent pursuant to Section 6.06(a) within five (5) Business Days of the receipt by SpinCo of notification of the amount due.
- (d) Section 336(e) Election. In the event that Parent determines (in its sole discretion) that a protective election under Section 336(e) of the Code (a "Section 336(e) Election") shall be made with respect to the Distribution, SpinCo shall (and shall cause its relevant Affiliates to) join with Parent (or its relevant Affiliate) in the making of that election and shall take any action reasonably requested by Parent or that is otherwise necessary to effect such election.

#### ARTICLE VII

# ASSISTANCE AND COOPERATION

# Section 7.01 Assistance and Cooperation.

- (a) The Companies shall cooperate (and cause their respective Affiliates to cooperate) with each other and with each other's representatives, including accounting firms and legal counsel, in connection with Tax matters relating to the Companies, including (i) preparing and filing Tax Returns, (ii) determining the liability for and amount of any Taxes due (including estimated Taxes) or the right to and amount of any Refund or any Tax Benefit, in each case, pursuant to this Agreement or otherwise, (iii) examinations of Tax Returns, and (iv) any administrative or judicial proceeding in respect of Taxes assessed or proposed to be assessed. Such cooperation shall include making available, upon reasonable notice, all information and documents in their possession relating to the other Company and its Affiliates as provided in Article VIII. Each of the Companies shall also make available to the other, as reasonably requested and available, personnel (including employees and representatives of the Companies or their respective Affiliates) responsible for preparing, maintaining and interpreting information and documents relevant to Taxes, and personnel reasonably required as witnesses or for purposes of providing information or documents in connection with any administrative or judicial proceeding relating to Taxes.
- (b) Any information or documents provided under this Article VII or Article VIII shall be kept confidential by the Company receiving the information or documents, except as may otherwise be necessary in connection with the filing of Tax Returns or in connection with any administrative or judicial proceedings relating to Taxes. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Agreement to the contrary, (i) neither Parent nor any of its Affiliates shall be required to provide SpinCo or any of its Affiliates or any other Person access to or copies of any information, documents or procedures (including the proceedings of any Tax Contest) other than information, documents or procedures that relate to SpinCo or any other member of the SpinCo Group, the business or assets of SpinCo or any other member of the SpinCo Group and (ii) in no event shall either of the Companies or any of its respective Affiliates be required to provide the other Company or any of its respective Affiliates or any other Person access to or copies of any information if such action could reasonably be expected to result in the waiver of any privilege. In addition, in the event that either Company determines that the provision of any information to the other Company or its Affiliates could be commercially detrimental, violate any Law or agreement or waive any privilege, the parties shall use reasonable best efforts to permit compliance with its obligations under this Article VIII or Article VIII in a manner that avoids any such harm or consequence.

Section 7.02 <u>Tax Return Information</u>. Each Company shall provide to the other Company information and documents relating to its Group required by the other Company to prepare Tax Returns. Any information or documents the Responsible Company requires to prepare such Tax Returns shall be provided in such form as the Responsible Company reasonably requests and in sufficient time for the Responsible Company to file such Tax Returns on a timely basis (but in no event later than sixty (60) days after such request).

Section 7.03 Reliance by Parent. If any member of the SpinCo Group supplies information to a member of the Parent Group in connection with Taxes and an officer of a member of the Parent Group signs a statement or other document under penalties of perjury in reliance upon the accuracy of such information, then upon the written request of such member of the Parent Group identifying the information being so relied upon, the chief financial officer of SpinCo (or any officer of SpinCo as designated by the chief financial officer of SpinCo) shall certify in writing that to his or her knowledge (based upon consultation with appropriate employees) the information so supplied is accurate and complete. SpinCo agrees to indemnify and hold harmless each member of the Parent Group and its directors, officers and employees from and against any fine, penalty or other cost or expense of any kind attributable to a member of the SpinCo Group having supplied, pursuant to this Article VII, a member of the Parent Group with inaccurate or incomplete information in connection with a Tax Liability.

Section 7.04 <u>Reliance by SpinCo</u>. If any member of the Parent Group supplies information to a member of the SpinCo Group in connection with a Tax Liability and an officer of a member of the SpinCo Group signs a statement or other document under penalties of perjury in reliance upon the accuracy of such information, then upon the written request of such member of the SpinCo Group identifying the information being so relied upon, the chief financial officer of Parent (or any officer of Parent as designated by the chief financial officer of Parent) shall certify in writing that to his or her knowledge (based upon consultation with appropriate employees) the information so supplied is accurate and complete. Parent agrees to indemnify and hold harmless each member of the SpinCo Group and its directors, officers and employees from and against any fine, penalty, or other cost or expense of any kind attributable to a member of the Parent Group having supplied, pursuant to this <u>Article VII</u>, a member of the SpinCo Group with inaccurate or incomplete information in connection with a Tax Liability.

# ARTICLE VIII

#### TAX RECORDS

Section 8.01 Retention of Tax Records. Each Company shall preserve and keep all Tax Records (including emails and other digitally stored materials and related workpapers and other documentation) in its possession as of the Distribution Date or relating to Taxes of the Groups for Pre-Distribution Tax Periods or Taxes or Tax matters that are the subject of this Agreement, in each case, for so long as the contents thereof may become material in the administration of any matter under the Code or other applicable Law, but in any event until the later of (i) 90 days after the expiration of any applicable statutes of limitations (taking into account any extensions), or (ii) seven years after the Distribution Date (such later date, the "Retention Date"). After the Retention Date, each Company may dispose of such Tax Records upon 90 days' prior written notice to the other Company. If, prior to the Retention Date, a Company reasonably determines that any Tax Records which it would otherwise be required to preserve and keep under this Article VIII are no longer material in the administration of any matter under the Code or other applicable Law and the other Company agrees, then such first Company may dispose of such Tax Records upon 90 days' prior notice to the other Company. Any notice of an intent to dispose given pursuant to this Section 8.01 shall include a list of the Tax Records to be disposed of describing in reasonable detail each file, book or other

record accumulation being disposed. The notified Company shall have the opportunity, at its cost, to copy or remove, within such 90-day period, all or any part of such Tax Records, and the other Company will then dispose of the same Tax Records.

Section 8.02 <u>Access to Tax Records</u>. The Companies and their respective Affiliates shall make available to each other for inspection and copying during normal business hours upon reasonable notice all Tax Records to the extent reasonably required by the other Company in connection with the preparation of financial accounting statements, audits, litigation, the preparation of Tax Returns or the resolution of items under this Agreement.

Section 8.03 Preservation of Privilege. The parties hereto agree to (and to cause the applicable members of their respective Groups to) cooperate and use commercially reasonable efforts to maintain privilege with respect to any documentation relating to Taxes existing prior to the Distribution Date or Separation Tax Losses to which privilege may reasonably be asserted (any such documentation, "Privileged Documentation"), including by executing joint defense and/or common interest agreements where necessary or useful for this purpose. No member of the SpinCo Group shall provide access to or copies of, or otherwise disclose to any Person, any Privileged Documentation without the prior written consent of Parent, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed. No member of the Parent Group shall provide access to or copies of or otherwise disclose to any Person any Privileged Documentation without the prior written consent of SpinCo, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed. Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, in the event that (x) any Governmental Authority requests, outside of normal working hours, that either Company (or any of its Affiliates) provide to such Governmental Authority access to or copies of or otherwise disclose any Privileged Documentation, (y) immediate compliance with such request is required under applicable Law, and (z) such Company attempts in good faith to obtain the prior written consent of the other Company but is not able to do so, then such Company shall be permitted to comply with such request by such Governmental Authority without obtaining the prior written consent of the other Company and shall as promptly as practicable inform the other Company of such request and the access and/or disclosure provided pursuant thereto.

#### ARTICLE IX

# TAX CONTESTS

Section 9.01 Notice. Each of the Companies shall provide prompt notice to the other Company of any written communication from a Tax Authority regarding any pending or threatened audit, assessment or proceeding or other Tax Contest relating to Taxes, Refunds or other Tax Benefits for which it may be entitled to indemnification by the other Company hereunder or for which it may be required to indemnify the other Company hereunder. Such notice shall include copies of the pertinent portion of any written communication from a Tax Authority and contain factual information (to the extent known) describing any asserted Tax liability and/or other relevant Tax matters in reasonable detail. The failure of one Company to notify the other of such communication in accordance with the immediately preceding sentences shall not relieve such other Company of any liability or obligation to pay such Tax or make indemnification payments under this Agreement, except to the extent that the failure timely to

provide such notification actually prejudices the ability of such other Company to contest such Tax liability (or contest any determination in respect of any Refund or Tax Benefit) or increases the amount of such Tax liability (or reduces the amount of such Refund or Tax Benefit).

#### Section 9.02 Control of Tax Contests.

- (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraphs (b) and (c), Parent shall control, and have sole discretion in handling, settling or contesting, any Tax Contest relating to any Joint Returns, as well as any Separate Returns that relate to a Pre-Distribution Tax Period or to a Straddle Period or other Tax Return if any such Tax Return is related to Taxes for which Parent is responsible pursuant to Article II, or the Tax treatment of the Separation Transactions, provided that (x) Parent shall act in good faith in connection with its control of any such Tax Contests and (y) SpinCo shall have the right at its sole cost and expense to participate in and advise on (including the opportunity to review and comment upon Parent's communications with the Tax Authority, which comments shall be incorporated upon the consent of Parent, not to be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned) such items for which SpinCo would reasonably be expected to be liable under Article II or Section 6.06 as a result of such Tax Contest.
- (b) Parent shall have exclusive control over any Separation Related Tax Contest, including exclusive authority with respect to any settlement of such Tax Contest, subject to the following provisions of this Section 9.02(b). In the event of any Separation Related Tax Contest as a result of which SpinCo could reasonably be expected (as determined in the sole discretion of Parent acting in good faith) to become liable for any Separation Tax Losses, (A) Parent shall keep SpinCo reasonably informed in a timely manner of all significant developments in respect of such Tax Contest and all significant actions taken or proposed to be taken by Parent with respect to such Tax Contest, (B) Parent shall timely provide SpinCo with copies of any written materials prepared, furnished or received in connection with such Tax Contest, (C) Parent shall consult with SpinCo reasonably in advance of taking any significant action in connection with such Tax Contest and (D) Parent shall offer SpinCo a reasonable opportunity to comment before submitting any written materials prepared or furnished in connection with such Tax Contest. Notwithstanding anything in the preceding sentence to the contrary, the final determination of the positions taken, including with respect to settlement or other disposition, in any Separation Related Tax Contest shall be made in the sole discretion of Parent and shall be final and not subject to the dispute resolution provisions of Article XIII of this Agreement or Section 11.02 of the Separation and Distribution Agreement.
- (c) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (a) or (b), SpinCo shall have sole control over any Tax Contest that relates to Separate Returns of the SpinCo Group for any Post-Distribution Tax Period.

#### ARTICLE X

# EFFECTIVE DATE; TERMINATION OF PRIOR INTERCOMPANY TAX ALLOCATION AGREEMENTS

Section 10.01 This Agreement shall be effective as of the Effective Time. To the knowledge of the parties hereto, there are no prior intercompany Tax allocation agreements or arrangements solely between or among Parent and/or any of its Subsidiaries, on the one hand, and SpinCo and/or any of its Subsidiaries, on the other hand and no termination of any such arrangement or agreement, or any settlement of amounts owing in respect of any such arrangement or agreement should be required. To the extent that, contrary to the expectation of the parties, there is any such intercompany arrangement or agreement in place as of immediately prior to the Effective Time, (i) such arrangement or agreement shall be deemed terminated as of the Effective Time, and (ii) amounts due under such agreements as of the date on which the Effective Time occurs shall be settled as promptly as practicable. Upon such settlement, no further payments by or to Parent or any of its Subsidiaries or by or to SpinCo or any of its Subsidiaries with respect to such agreements shall be made, and all other rights and obligations resulting from such agreements between the Companies and their Affiliates shall cease at such time. Any payments pursuant to such agreements shall be disregarded for purposes of computing amounts due under this Agreement.

# ARTICLE XI

# SURVIVAL OF OBLIGATIONS

Section 11.01 The representations, warranties, covenants and agreements set forth in this Agreement shall be unconditional and absolute and shall remain in effect without limitation as to time.

# ARTICLE XII

# TREATMENT OF PAYMENTS; TAX GROSS-UP

Section 12.01 <u>Treatment of Tax Indemnity and Tax Benefit Payment</u>. In the absence of any change in Tax treatment under the Code or other applicable Law and except as otherwise agreed between the Companies or as otherwise required by applicable Law, for all Tax purposes, the Companies agree to treat, and to cause their respective Affiliates to treat, any payment required by this Agreement or by the Separation and Distribution Agreement as a contribution by Parent to SpinCo or a distribution by SpinCo to Parent, as the case may be, occurring immediately prior to the Distribution (but only to the extent the payment does not relate to a Tax allocated to the payor in accordance with Section 1552 of the Code or the Treasury Regulations thereunder or Treasury Regulations Section 1.1502-33(d) (or under corresponding principles of other applicable Laws)) and any payment of interest or deductible Taxes, such as state Income Taxes, by or to a Tax Authority, as taxable or deductible, as the case may be, to the Company entitled under this Agreement to retain such payment or required under this Agreement to make such payment.

Section 12.02 <u>Tax Gross-Up</u>. If a Company incurs a Tax Liability as a result of its receipt of a payment pursuant to this Agreement, the Separation and Distribution Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement, such payment shall be appropriately adjusted so that the amount of such payment, reduced by the amount of all Income Taxes payable with respect to the receipt thereof (but taking into account all correlative Tax Benefits resulting from the payment of such Income Taxes), shall equal the amount of the payment which the Company receiving such payment would otherwise be entitled to receive.

#### ARTICLE XIII

# DISAGREEMENTS

Section 13.01 <u>Dispute Resolution</u>. The Companies desire that collaboration will continue between them. Accordingly, they will try, and they will cause their respective Group members to try, to resolve in good faith all disagreements regarding their respective rights and obligations under this Agreement, including any amendments hereto. In furtherance thereof, in the event of any dispute or disagreement (a "<u>Tax Advisor Dispute</u>") between any member of the Parent Group and any member of the SpinCo Group as to the interpretation of any provision of this Agreement or the performance of obligations hereunder, the Companies shall negotiate in good faith to resolve the Tax Advisor Dispute. If, within thirty (30) Business Days such good faith negotiations do not resolve the Tax Advisor Dispute, then the matter will be referred to such Tax Advisor as the Companies mutually agree. The Tax Advisor may, in its discretion, obtain the services of any third-party appraiser, accounting firm or consultant that the Tax Advisor deems necessary to assist it in resolving such disagreement. The Tax Advisor shall resolve the Tax Advisor Dispute according to such procedures as the Tax Advisor deems advisable and shall furnish written notice to the Companies of its resolution of any such Tax Advisor Dispute as soon as practicable, but in any event no later than 45 days after its acceptance of the matter for resolution. Any such resolution by the Tax Advisor shall be consistent with the terms of this Agreement, and if so consistent, shall be conclusive and binding on the Companies. Following receipt of the Tax Advisor's written notice to the Companies of its resolution of the Tax Advisor Dispute, the Companies shall each take or cause to be taken any action necessary to implement such resolution of the Tax Advisor. In accordance with <u>Article XIV</u>, each Company shall pay its own fees and expenses (including the fees and expenses of its representatives) incurred in connection with the referral of the matter to the Tax Advisor. All fees

Section 13.02 <u>Injunctive Relief.</u> Nothing in this <u>Article XIII</u> will prevent Parent from seeking injunctive relief to enforce the procedures provided for in <u>Section 13.01</u> if any delay resulting from the efforts to resolve the Tax Advisor Dispute through the Tax Advisor could result in serious and irreparable injury to Parent. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the Separation and Distribution Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement, Parent and SpinCo are the only members of their respective Groups entitled to commence a dispute resolution procedure under this Agreement, and each of Parent and SpinCo will cause its respective Group members not to commence any dispute resolution procedure other than through such Company as provided in this <u>Article XIII</u>.

# ARTICLE XIV

#### **EXPENSES**

Section 14.01 Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, each Company and its Affiliates shall bear their own expenses incurred in connection with the preparation of Tax Returns, Tax Contests, and other matters related to Taxes under the provisions of this Agreement.

# ARTICLE XV

# **MISCELLANEOUS**

Section 15.01 Counterparts; Entire Agreement; Corporate Power.

- (a) This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, all of which counterparts shall be considered one and the same agreement, and shall become effective when one or more counterparts have been signed by each Company and delivered to the other Company. This Agreement may be executed by facsimile or PDF signature and scanned and exchanged by electronic mail, and such facsimile or PDF signature or scanned and exchanged copies shall constitute an original for all purposes.
- (b) This Agreement, the Separation and Distribution Agreement, the Ancillary Agreements and the Appendices, Exhibits and Schedules hereto and thereto contain the entire agreement between the Companies with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersede all previous agreements, negotiations, discussions, writings, understandings, commitments and conversations with respect to such subject matter, and there are no agreements or understandings between the Companies with respect to the subject matter hereof other than those set forth or referred to herein or therein. In the event of conflict or inconsistency between the provisions of this Agreement, the Separation and Distribution Agreement, or any Ancillary Agreement, on the one hand, and the provisions of any Local Transfer Agreement, on the other hand, the provisions of this Agreement, the Separation and Distribution Agreement and any such Ancillary Agreement shall prevail and remain in full force and effect; without limiting the foregoing, no Assets or Liabilities, other than SpinCo Assets and SpinCo Liabilities (in each case, as defined in the Separation and Distribution Agreement), shall be transferred by Seller (as defined in the Local

Transfer Agreements) or accepted by Buyer (as defined in the Local Transfer Agreements) under the Local Transfer Agreements notwithstanding anything to the contrary therein (including the definition of SpinCo Assets and SpinCo Liabilities (in each case, as defined in the Local Transfer Agreements)). Each Company shall, and shall cause each of its Subsidiaries to, implement the provisions of and the transactions contemplated by the Local Transfer Agreement in accordance with the immediately preceding sentence.

- (c) Parent represents on behalf of itself and each other member of the Parent Group, and SpinCo represents on behalf of itself and each other member of the SpinCo Group, as follows:
  - (i) each such Person has the requisite corporate or other power and authority and has taken all corporate or other action necessary in order to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby; and
  - (ii) this Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by it and constitutes a valid and binding agreement of it enforceable in accordance with the terms thereof.

Section 15.02 <u>Governing Law; Jurisdiction</u>. Any disputes relating to, arising out of or resulting from this Agreement, including to its execution, performance, or enforcement, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the Laws of the State of Delaware, regardless of the Laws that might otherwise govern under applicable principles of conflicts of Laws thereof. Each Company irrevocably consents to the exclusive jurisdiction, forum and venue of the Delaware Court of Chancery (and if the Delaware Court of Chancery shall be unavailable, any Delaware State court or the federal court sitting in the State of Delaware) over any and all claims, disputes, controversies or disagreements between the Companies or any of their respective Affiliates, successors and assigns under or related to this Agreement or any of the transactions contemplated hereby, including their execution, performance or enforcement, whether in contract, tort or otherwise. Each of the Companies hereby agrees that it shall not assert, and shall hereby waive, any claim or right or defense that it is not subject to the jurisdiction of such courts, that the venue is improper, that the forum is inconvenient or any similar objection, claim or argument. Each Company agrees that a final judgment in any legal proceeding resolved in accordance with Section 15.02, Section 15.03 and Section 15.04 shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by applicable Law.

Section 15.03 Waiver of Jury Trial. EACH COMPANY HEREBY WAIVES ITS RIGHTS TO A JURY TRIAL OF ANY CLAIM OR CAUSE OF ACTION RELATING TO, ARISING OUT OF OR RESULTING FROM THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY INCLUDING THEIR EXECUTION, PERFORMANCE OR ENFORCEMENT, WHETHER IN CONTRACT, TORT OR OTHERWISE. THE SCOPE OF THIS WAIVER IS INTENDED TO BE ALL-ENCOMPASSING OF ANY AND ALL DISPUTES THAT MAY BE FILED IN ANY COURT AND THAT RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS TRANSACTION, INCLUDING CONTRACT CLAIMS, TORT CLAIMS (INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE), BREACH OF DUTY CLAIMS AND ALL OTHER COMMON

LAW AND STATUTORY CLAIMS. THIS SECTION HAS BEEN FULLY DISCUSSED BY EACH OF THE COMPANIES AND THESE PROVISIONS WILL NOT BE SUBJECT TO ANY EXCEPTIONS.

Section 15.04 Specific Performance. Subject to Section 13.01 and Section 13.02, in the event of any actual or threatened default in, or breach of, any of the terms, conditions and provisions of this Agreement by SpinCo, Parent shall have the right to specific performance and injunctive or other equitable relief of its rights under this Agreement, in addition to any and all other rights and remedies at Law or in equity, and all such rights and remedies shall be cumulative. SpinCo shall not oppose the granting of such relief on the basis that money damages are an adequate remedy. SpinCo agrees that the remedies at Law for any breach or threatened breach hereof, including monetary damages, are inadequate compensation for any loss, and waives any defense in any action by Parent for specific performance that a remedy at Law would be adequate. SpinCo also waives any requirements that Parent secure or post any bond or similar security with respect to such remedy.

Section 15.05 Assignability. Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests or obligations under this Agreement shall be assigned, in whole or in part, by operation of Law or otherwise by either Company without the prior written consent of the other Company. Any purported assignment without such consent shall be void. Subject to the preceding sentences, this Agreement will be binding upon, inure to the benefit of, and be enforceable by, the Companies and their respective successors and assigns (including, but not limited to, any successor of Parent or SpinCo succeeding to the Tax Attributes of either under Section 381 of the Code). Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any Company (or any of its successors or permitted assigns) (a) shall enter into a consolidation or merger transaction in which such Company is not the surviving entity and the surviving entity acquires or assumes all or substantially all of such Company's Assets, or (b) shall transfer all or substantially all of such Company's Assets to any Person, then, in each such case, the assigning Company (or its successors or permitted assigns, as applicable) shall ensure that the assignee or successor-in-interest expressly assumes in writing all of the obligations of the assigning Company under this Agreement, and the assigning Company shall not be required to seek consent, but shall provide written notice and evidence of such assignment, assumption or succession to the non-assigning Company. No assignment permitted by this Section 15.05 shall release the assigning Company from liability for the full performance of its obligations under this Agreement.

Section 15.06 <u>Third-Party Beneficiaries</u>. Except for the indemnification rights under this Agreement of any indemnified party in its capacity as such, (a) the provisions of this Agreement are solely for the benefit of the Companies and are not intended to confer upon any Person except the Companies any rights or remedies hereunder and (b) there are no third-party beneficiaries of this Agreement and this Agreement shall not provide any third person with any remedy, claim, liability, reimbursement, cause of action or other right in excess of those existing without reference to this Agreement.

Section 15.07 Notices. All notices or other communications under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to be duly given when (a) delivered in person, (b) on the date received, if sent by a nationally recognized delivery or courier service, (c) upon

written confirmation of receipt after transmittal by electronic mail or (d) upon the earlier of confirmed receipt or the fifth (5th) Business Day following the date of mailing if sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid and addressed as follows:

# If to Parent, to:

Nuance Communications, Inc. 1 Wayside Road

Burlington, MA 01803 Attn: Wendy Cassity, l

Wendy Cassity, EVP and Chief Legal Officer Steven Okpych, Vice President, Corporate Tax

# with a copy to:

Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP 1285 Avenue of the Americas

New York, NY 10019-6064 Attn: Jeffrey B. Samuels

> Scott A. Barshay Steven J. Williams

email: jsamuels@paulweiss.com

sbarshay@paulweiss.com swilliams@paulweiss.com

Facsimile: 212-492-0582

# If to SpinCo, to:

Cerence Inc. 15 Wayside Road Burlington, MA 01803

Attn: Leanne Fitzgerald, General Counsel

James Haggerty, Senior Tax Director

Either Company may, by notice to the other Company, change the address and identity of the Person to which such notices and copies of such notices are to be given. Each Company agrees that nothing in this Agreement shall affect the other Company's right to serve process in any other manner permitted by Law (including pursuant to the rules for foreign service of process authorized by the Hague Convention).

Section 15.08 Severability. If any provision of this Agreement or the application thereof to any Person or circumstance is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void or unenforceable, the remaining provisions hereof, or the application of such provision to Persons or circumstances, or in jurisdictions other than those as to which it has been held invalid or unenforceable, shall remain in full force and effect and shall in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated thereby, so long as the economic or legal substance of the transactions contemplated hereby is not affected in any manner materially adverse to either Company. Upon any such determination, any such provision, to the extent determined to be invalid, void or unenforceable, shall be deemed replaced by a provision that such court determines is valid and enforceable and that comes closest to expressing the intention of the invalid, void or unenforceable provision.

Section 15.09 <u>Headings</u>. The article, section and paragraph headings contained in this Agreement, including in the table of contents of this Agreement, are for reference purposes only and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

Section 15.10 <u>Waivers of Default</u>. No failure or delay of any Company (or the applicable member of its Group) in exercising any right or remedy under this Agreement, any other Ancillary Agreement or the Separation and Distribution Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right or power, or any abandonment or discontinuance of steps to enforce such right or power, or any course of conduct, preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right or power. Waiver by any Company of any default by the other Company of any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver by the waiving Company of any subsequent or other default.

Section 15.11 <u>Amendments</u>. No provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed waived, amended, supplemented or modified by a Company, unless such waiver, amendment,

supplement or modification is (a) in writing and signed by the authorized representative of each Company or (b) necessary (as determined in the sole discretion of Parent acting in good faith) to preserve the Tax-Free Status of the Contribution and the Distribution, taken together.

Section 15.12 <u>Further Action</u>. The parties hereto shall execute and deliver all documents, provide all information, and take or refrain from taking any action as may be necessary or appropriate to achieve the purposes of this Agreement, including the execution and delivery to the other parties and their Affiliates and representatives of such powers of attorney or other authorizing documentation as is reasonably necessary or appropriate in connection with Tax Contests (or portions thereof) under the control of such other parties in accordance with Article IX.

Section 15.13 Interpretation. Words in the singular shall be held to include the plural and vice versa and words of one gender shall be held to include the other gender as the context requires. The terms "hereof," "herein," "herewith" and words of similar import, unless otherwise stated, shall be construed to refer to this Agreement as a whole (including all of the schedules hereto) and not to any particular provision of this Agreement. Article, Section or Schedule references are to the articles, sections and schedules of or to this Agreement unless otherwise specified. Any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument or other document herein (including any reference herein to this Agreement) shall, unless otherwise stated, 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 therein, including in Section 15.11 above). The word "including" and words of similar import when used in this Agreement shall mean "including, without limitation," unless the context otherwise requires or unless otherwise specified. The word "or" shall not be exclusive. The word "extent" in the phrase "to the extent" shall mean the degree to which a subject or other thing extends, and such phrase shall not mean simply "if." All references to "\$" or dollar amounts are to the lawful currency of the United States of America. Any reference to any federal, state, local or non-U.S. statute or Law shall be deemed to also refer to all rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, in each case as amended from time to time, unless the context otherwise requires. References to a Person also refer to its predecessors and permitted successors and assigns. In the event that an ambiguity or question of intent or interpretation arises, this Agreement shall be construed as if drafted jointly by the Companies, and no presumption or burden of proof shall arise favoring or dis

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Companies have caused this Tax Matters Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives.

# NUANCE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By: /s/ Wendy Cassity

Name: Wendy Cassity

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Legal

Officer

# CERENCE INC.

By: /s/ Leanne Fitzgerald

Name: Leanne Fitzgerald

Title: Vice President and Secretary

[Signature Page – Tax Matters Agreement]

# TRANSITION SERVICES AGREEMENT

by and between

NUANCE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

and

CERENCE OPERATING COMPANY

Dated as of September 30, 2019

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TRANSITION SERVICES AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), dated as of September 30, 2019, by and between Nuance Communications, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Nuance"), and Cerence Operating Company, a Delaware corporation ("Cerence Subsidiary").

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, in connection with the contemplated Spin-Off of Cerence Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>SpinCo</u>"), and concurrently with the execution of this Agreement, Nuance and SpinCo are entering into a Separation and Distribution Agreement (the "<u>Separation Agreement</u>");

WHEREAS, Cerence Subsidiary is a wholly owned subsidiary of SpinCo;

WHEREAS, each of Nuance and Cerence Subsidiary may provide to the other certain services, as more particularly described in this Agreement, for a limited period of time following the Spin-Off; and

WHEREAS, each of Nuance and Cerence Subsidiary desires to reflect the terms of their agreement with respect to such services.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged by this Agreement, Nuance and Cerence Subsidiary, for themselves, their successors and assigns, agree as follows:

# ARTICLE I

#### **Definitions**

Section 1.01 <u>Definitions</u>. As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the following meanings:

- "Affiliate" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
- "Agreement" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the preamble.
- "Ancillary Agreements" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
- "Applicable End Date" means, with respect to each Service, the date that is the Applicable Original Duration with respect to such Service following the Applicable Termination Date with respect to such Service.
- "Applicable Original Duration" means, with respect to each Service, the duration of the period from the Distribution Date to the Applicable Termination Date with respect to such Service.
- "Applicable Termination Date" means, with respect to each Service, the date that is twelve (12) months following the Distribution Date, or such other termination date

specified with respect to such Service, as applicable, in <u>Schedule A</u> or <u>Schedule B</u>, as applicable.

- "Assets" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
- "Certain Supplier Agreements" means any contract or agreement of any member of the Nuance Group with a third party that supplies services to the SpinCo Group set forth on Schedule H.
  - "Consents" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
- "Cost of Services" means, with respect to each Service, the amount specified with respect to such Service in Schedule A or Schedule B, as applicable, to be paid by a Service Recipient in respect of such Service to the Service Provider of such Service.
  - "Customer Receipt Payee" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 4.03(a).
  - "Customer Receipt Payment" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 4.03(a).
  - "Customer Receipt Payment Period" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 4.03(a).
- "<u>Designated Work Product</u>" means the work product developed during the term for Service Recipient's exclusive use as part of the provision of Services hereunder and that are listed or described on Schedule C.
  - "Dispute" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 9.01.
  - "Dispute Notice" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 9.02.
  - "Distribution" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
  - "Distribution Date" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
  - "Force Majeure Event" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 10.02.
  - "Governmental Authority" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
  - "Group" means either the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group, as the context requires.
  - "Hourly Services" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 5.01(b).
  - "Hourly Services Expenses" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 5.01(b).
  - "Indemnitee" means a Nuance Indemnitee or a SpinCo Indemnitee, as the context requires.

- "Information" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
- "Insurance Proceeds" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
- "Intended Payee" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 4.03(a).
- "Interruption" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 2.01(j).
- "IT Agreements" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 4.04.
- "Law" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
- "Liabilities" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
- "Misdirected Customer Payment" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 4.03(a).
- "Monthly License Fee" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 3.03.
- "Nuance" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the preamble.
- "Nuance Business" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
- "Nuance Group" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
- "Nuance Indemnitees" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
- "Omitted Services" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 2.02(a).
- "Other Areas" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 3.05.
- "Party" means either party hereto, and "Parties" means both parties hereto.
- "Person" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
- "Personal Data" has the meaning ascribed thereto by the EU General Data Protection Regulation, (EU) 2016/679 ("GDPR").
- "Process" has the meaning ascribed thereto by the GDPR.
- "Project Work" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 2.03.
- "Project Work Request" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 2.03.
- "Related Service" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 6.02.

- "Resolution Committee" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 9.02.
- "Separation Agreement" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the recitals.
- "Service Charge" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 5.01(a).
- "Service Coordinator" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 2.01(c).
- "Service Extension" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 6.02.
- "Service Provider" means any member of the SpinCo Group or the Nuance Group, as applicable, in its capacity as the provider of any Services to any member of the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group, respectively.
- "Service Recipient" means any member of the SpinCo Group or the Nuance Group, as applicable, in its capacity as the recipient of any Services from any member of the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group, respectively.
  - "Services" means the individual services identified in Schedule A or Schedule B, as applicable.
  - "Shared Real Property" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 3.01.
  - "Shutdown" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 2.01(i).
  - "Spin-Off" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
  - "SpinCo" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the preamble.
  - "SpinCo Business" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
  - "SpinCo Group" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
  - "SpinCo Indemnitees" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
  - "Sub-Contractor" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 2.01(e).
  - "Subsidiary" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.
  - "Taxes" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 5.01(d).
  - "Termination Charges" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 6.05(d).
  - "Third-Party Claim" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Separation Agreement.

# **ARTICLE II**

# Services

# Section 2.01 Provision of Services.

- (a) Commencing immediately after the Distribution, Nuance shall, and shall cause the applicable members of the Nuance Group to, (i) provide, or otherwise make available, to Cerence Subsidiary and the applicable members of the SpinCo Group the Services set forth in <u>Schedule A</u> and (ii) pay, perform, discharge and satisfy, as and when due, its and their respective obligations as Service Recipients under this Agreement, in each case in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- (b) Commencing immediately after the Distribution, Cerence Subsidiary shall, and shall cause the applicable members of the SpinCo Group to, (i) provide, or otherwise make available, to Nuance and the applicable members of the Nuance Group the Services set forth in Schedule B and (ii) pay, perform, discharge and satisfy, as and when due, its and their respective obligations as Service Recipients under this Agreement, in each case in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- (c) Each Service Recipient and its respective Service Provider shall cooperate in good faith with each other in connection with the performance of the Services hereunder. Each of Nuance and Cerence Subsidiary agrees to appoint an employee representative (each such representative, a "Service Coordinator") who will have overall responsibility for implementing, managing and coordinating the Services pursuant to this Agreement on behalf of Nuance and Cerence Subsidiary, respectively. Initially, the Service Coordinators will be the individuals set forth on Schedule E. Either Party may change its designated Service Coordinator at any time upon notice given to the other Party in accordance with Section 10.12. The Service Coordinators will consult and coordinate with each other on a regular basis, and no less frequently than monthly, during the term of this Agreement.
- (d) The Service Provider shall determine the personnel who shall perform the Services to be provided by it. All personnel providing Services will remain at all times, and be deemed to be, employees or representatives solely of the Service Provider (or its Affiliates or Sub-Contractors) responsible for providing such Services for all purposes, and not to be deemed employees or representatives of the Service Recipient. The Service Provider (or its Affiliates or Sub-Contractors) will be solely responsible for payment of (i) all compensation, (ii) all income, disability, withholding and other employment taxes and (iii) all medical benefit premiums, vacation pay, sick pay and other employee benefits payable to or with respect to personnel who perform Services on behalf of such Service Provider. All such personnel will be under the sole direction, control and supervision of the Service Provider and the Service Provider has the sole right to exercise all authority with respect to the employment, substitution, termination, assignment and compensation of such personnel.
- (e) The Service Provider may, at its option, from time to time, delegate any or all of its obligations to perform Services under this Agreement to any one or more of its Affiliates or engage the services of other professionals, consultants or other third

parties (each, a "<u>Sub-Contractor</u>") in connection with the performance of the Services; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that (i) the Service Provider shall remain ultimately responsible for ensuring that its obligations with respect to the nature, scope, quality and other aspects of the Services are satisfied with respect to any Services provided by any such Affiliate or Sub-Contractor and shall be liable for any failure of a Sub-Contractor to so satisfy such obligations (or if a Sub-Contractor otherwise breaches any provision hereof) and (ii) such Sub-Contractor agrees in writing to be bound by confidentiality provisions at least as restrictive to it as the terms of <u>Section 10.05</u> of this Agreement. Except as agreed by the Parties in <u>Schedule A</u> or <u>Schedule B</u> or otherwise in writing, and subject to <u>Section 2.01(g)</u>, any costs associated with engaging the services of an Affiliate of the Service Provider or a Sub-Contractor shall not affect the Cost of Services payable by the Service Recipient under this Agreement, and the Service Provider shall remain solely responsible with respect to payment for such Affiliate's or Sub-Contractor's costs, fees and expenses.

- (f) Subject to the provisions of this Section 2.01, the Services shall be performed in substantially the same manner, scope, time frame, skill, care, nature and quality, with the same care, and to the same extent and service level as such Services (or substantially similar services) were provided to the SpinCo Business or the Nuance Business, as applicable, immediately prior to the Distribution Date, unless the Services are being provided by a Sub-Contractor who is also providing the same services to the Service Provider or a member of such Service Provider's Group, in which case the Services shall be performed for the Service Recipient in the same manner, scope, time frame, nature and quality, with the same care, and to the same extent and service level as they are being performed for the Service Provider or such member of such Service Provider's Group, as applicable. If the Service Provider has not provided such Services (or substantially similar services) immediately prior to the Distribution Date and such Services are not being performed by a Sub-Contractor who is also providing the same services to such Service Provider's Group, then the Services shall be performed in a competent and professional manner consistent with industry standards. The Services shall be used solely for the operation of the SpinCo Business or the Nuance Business, as applicable (including any natural evolutions thereof), for substantially the same purpose as used by the applicable Service Recipient immediately prior to the date of this Agreement.
- (g) The Parties acknowledge that the Service Provider may make changes from time to time in the manner of performing Services (including in respect of those Services provided by a Sub-Contractor) if the Service Provider is making similar changes in performing the same or substantially similar Services for itself or other members of its Group; provided, however, that, unless expressly contemplated in Schedule A or Schedule B, such changes shall not affect the Cost of Services for such Service payable by the Service Recipient under this Agreement or decrease the manner, scope, time frame, nature, quality or level of the Services provided to the Service Recipient, except (i) upon prior written approval of the Service Recipient and (ii) any actual and reasonable increase to the Service Provider in the cost of providing a Service may be charged to the Service Recipient on a pass-through basis to the extent such actual and reasonable increase is applied on a non-discriminatory basis as compared to the Service Provider's Group.
- (h) Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to require the provision of any Service by any Service Provider (or any Affiliate or Sub-Contractor of a Service Provider)

to any Service Recipient if the provision of such Service requires the Consent of any Person (including any Governmental Authority), whether under applicable Law, by the terms of any contract to which such Service Provider or any other member of its Group is a party or otherwise, unless and until, subject to Section 2.01(h)(ii), such Consent has been obtained.

- (i) The Service Provider shall use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain as promptly as possible any Consent of any Person that may be necessary for the performance of the Service Provider's obligations pursuant to this Agreement. Any fees, expenses or extra costs incurred in connection with obtaining any such Consents shall be paid by the Service Recipient, and the Service Recipient shall use commercially reasonable efforts to provide assistance as necessary in obtaining such Consents.
- (ii) In the event that the Consent of any Person, if required in order for the Service Provider to provide Services, is not obtained reasonably promptly after the Distribution Date, the Service Provider shall notify the Service Recipient and the Parties shall cooperate in devising an alternative manner for the provision of the Services affected by such failure to obtain such Consent and the Cost of Services associated therewith, such alternative manner and Cost of Services to be reasonably satisfactory to both Parties and agreed to in writing. If the Parties elect such an alternative plan, the Service Provider shall provide the Services in such alternative manner and the Service Recipient shall pay for such Services based on the alternative Cost of Services.
- (iii) The Services shall not include, and no Service Provider (or any Affiliate or Sub-Contractor of a Service Provider) shall be obligated to provide, any service the provision of which to a Service Recipient following the Distribution would constitute a violation of any Law. In addition, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Service Provider (and the Affiliates and Sub-Contractors of the Service Provider) will not be required to perform or to cause to be performed any of the Services for the benefit of any third party or any other Person other than the applicable Service Recipient.
- (iv) To the extent that any third-party proprietor of information or software to be disclosed or made available to any Service Recipient in connection with performance of the Services hereunder requires a specific form of non-disclosure agreement as a condition to its Consent to use the same for the benefit of the Service Recipient, or to permit the Service Recipient access to such information or software, the Service Recipient shall, as a condition to the receipt of such portion of the Services, execute (and shall cause its employees and Affiliates to execute, if required) any such form.
- (i) If a Service Provider determines that it is necessary or appropriate to temporarily suspend a Service due to scheduled or emergency maintenance, modification, repairs, alterations or replacements (any such event, a "Shutdown"), Service Provider shall use commercially reasonable efforts to provide Service Recipient with reasonable prior notice of such Shutdown (including information regarding the nature and the projected length of such Shutdown), unless it is not reasonably practicable under the circumstances to provide such prior notice, and thereafter such Service Provider shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cooperate with Service Recipient to minimize any impact on the Services caused by such Shutdown.

- (j) The Parties acknowledge that there may be unanticipated temporary interruptions in the provision of a Service, in each case for a period of less than forty-eight (48) hours (any such event, an "Interruption"). Service Provider shall use commercially reasonable efforts to provide Service Recipient with notice of such Interruption as soon as possible (including information regarding the nature and the projected length of such Interruption), and thereafter such Service Provider shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cooperate with Service Recipient to minimize any impact on the Services caused by such Interruption. The Service Provider shall not be excused from performance if it fails to use commercially reasonable efforts to remedy the situation causing such Interruption.
- (k) In the event the obligations of Service Provider to provide any Service shall be suspended in accordance with <u>Section 2.01(i)</u> or <u>Section 2.01(j)</u>, Service Provider and its Affiliates shall not have any liability whatsoever to Service Recipient arising out of or resulting from such suspension of Service Provider's provision of such Service, except to the extent resulting from a breach by Service Provider of any agreement or covenant required to be performed or complied with by Service Provider pursuant to <u>Section 2.01(i)</u> or <u>Section 2.01(j)</u> (but subject to the other limitations on liability set forth in this Agreement).
- (l) Neither Party nor any of their respective Affiliates shall have any obligation to purchase, upgrade, enhance or otherwise modify any computer hardware, software or network environment currently used by such Party or such Party's Affiliates, or to provide any support or maintenance services for any computer hardware, software or network environment that has been upgraded, enhanced or otherwise modified from the computer hardware, software or network environments that are currently used by such Party or such Party's Affiliates.

# Section 2.02 Service Amendments and Additions.

- (a) Within the first forty-five (45) days following the Distribution Date, each of Nuance and Cerence Subsidiary may request the other Party to provide services that (i) were provided by the Nuance Business or the SpinCo Business, as applicable, within the twelve (12) months prior to the Distribution Date and (ii) are reasonably necessary for the operation of the Nuance Business or the SpinCo Business, as applicable, as conducted as of the Distribution Date ("Omitted Services"). Any request for an Omitted Service shall be in writing and shall specify, as applicable, (A) the type and the scope of the requested service, (B) who is requested to perform the requested service, (C) where and to whom the requested service is to be provided and (D) the proposed term for the requested service. The Parties shall discuss in good faith the terms under which such Omitted Services may be provided.
- (b) If a Party agrees to provide Omitted Services pursuant to Section 2.02(a), then the Parties shall in good faith negotiate an amendment to Schedule A or Schedule B, as applicable, which will describe in detail the service, project scope, term, price and payment terms to be charged for such Omitted Services. Once agreed to in writing, the amendment to Schedule A or Schedule B, as applicable, shall be deemed part of this Agreement as of such date and the Omitted Services, as applicable, shall be deemed "Services" provided hereunder, in each case subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement; provided, however, that no Service Provider shall be required to provide any Omitted Services, at any price, that would prevent, or

be reasonably likely to prevent, or be inconsistent with the qualification of the Distribution as a tax-free transaction for U.S. federal, state and local income tax purposes.

Section 2.03 Migration Projects. Prior to the end of the applicable term, each Service Provider will provide the Service Recipient, upon written request (the "Project Work Request"), with such reasonable support as may be necessary to migrate the Services to the Service Recipient's internal organization or to a third party provider (the "Project Work"), including exporting and providing (subject to applicable Law) all relevant data and information of the applicable Service Recipient from the systems of the applicable Service Provider or any party performing the Services on its behalf. After the Service Provider receives the Project Work Request, the Parties shall meet to discuss and agree on the scope and cost of the Project Work, taking into consideration the Service Provider's then-available resources. Where required for migrating the Services, subject to applicable Law, Service Recipient's personnel will be granted reasonable access to the respective facilities of the Service Provider during normal business hours. Subject to applicable Law, Project Work may be out-sourced to external service partners (including those involving conversion programs or other programming, or extraordinary management supervision or coordination); provided, that the Service Provider shall be responsible for the performance or non-performance of such partners. The Service Recipient shall pay its internal costs incurred in connection with all Project Work performed by its personnel and the internal costs of the Service Provider and the cost of all third-party providers engaged in completing a Project Work all shall be charged by the Service Provider to the Service Recipient on a pass-through basis. For the avoidance of doubt, any portion of the cost of Project Work associated with the setup of the Service Recipient's data warehousing infrastructure or hosting environment shall be charged by the Service Provider to the Service Recipient on a pass-through basis.

Section 2.04 No Management Authority. No Service Provider (or any Affiliate or Sub-Contractor of a Service Provider) shall be authorized by, or shall have any responsibility under, this Agreement to manage the affairs of the business of any Service Recipient, or to hold itself out as an agent or representative of the Service Recipient.

Section 2.05 Acknowledgement and Representation. Each Party understands that the Services provided hereunder are transitional in nature. Each Party understands and agrees that the other Party is not in the business of providing Services to third parties and, except as set forth in Section 6.02, that neither Party has any interest in continuing (i) any Service beyond the Applicable Termination Date or (ii) this Agreement beyond the expiration of all Applicable Termination Dates or the termination of all Services in accordance with Section 6.04. As a result, the Parties have allocated responsibilities and risks of loss and limited liabilities of the Parties as stated in this Agreement based on the recognition that each Party is not in the business of providing Services to third parties. Such allocations and limitations are fundamental elements of the basis of the bargain between the Parties and neither Party would be able or willing to provide the Services without the protections provided by such allocations and limitations. During the term of this Agreement, each Party agrees to work diligently and expeditiously to establish its own logistics, infrastructure and systems to enable a transition to its own internal organization or other third-party providers of the Services and agrees to use its reasonable good faith efforts to reduce or eliminate its and its Affiliates' dependency on the other Party's provision of the Services as soon as is reasonably practicable.

# ARTICLE III

# **Real Estate**

Section 3.01 Occupancy Rights. Each Service Provider set forth on Schedule F, with respect to the location set forth on such Schedule opposite such Service Provider's name (each, a "Shared Real Property"), hereby grants to the Service Recipient set forth on such Schedule opposite such Shared Real Property, a limited license for reasonable use and access to the space utilized by such Service Recipient or any member of its Group in the conduct of the Nuance Business or the SpinCo Business, as applicable, as of the Distribution Date, for the sole purpose of transitioning the Nuance Business or the SpinCo Business, as applicable, and in accordance with the terms, covenants and conditions of this Article III. The Service Recipient's right to use and access the applicable Shared Real Property shall be consistent with the use and access afforded to the Nuance Business or the SpinCo Business, as applicable, as of the Distribution Date. The Service Recipient's use shall include the right to use the fixtures, improvements and furnishings located within the Shared Real Property consistent with such use as of the Distribution Date.

Section 3.02 <u>Use</u>. Each Service Recipient shall use the applicable Shared Real Property (and the furnishings contained therein) for the same purposes as such Shared Real Property is utilized as of the Distribution Date and for no other purpose. The Shared Real Property may be occupied only by the personnel of the applicable Service Recipient reasonably required in furtherance of the activities of the Nuance Business or the SpinCo Business, as applicable, or the other purposes set forth in this Agreement. The Service Recipient shall be responsible for pickup and delivery of goods at any common shipping dock at any Shared Real Property, and any shipments shall include proper labeling to distinguish the Service Recipient's goods from the Service Provider's goods.

Section 3.03 <u>License Fee</u>. Each Service Recipient shall pay a monthly gross license fee for its Shared Real Property as set out on <u>Schedule F</u> (each, a "<u>Monthly License Fee</u>"). The Monthly License Fee for each Shared Real Property shall be payable in advance on or before the first (1st) day of each calendar month of the term of the license. The Monthly License Fee for any period during the respective license term which is for less than one month shall be prorated.

Section 3.04 <u>License Term</u>. The license granted under this <u>Article III</u> will be effective as of immediately after the Distribution and will automatically expire at the earlier of (I) the end of the period set forth in <u>Schedule F</u> with respect to each Shared Real Property, or (II) the expiration date of the relevant underlying lease pertaining to each Shared Real Property (in which case the Service Provider shall provide to the Service Recipient written notice thirty (30) days prior to such expiration).

Section 3.05 Access and Common Areas. Unless otherwise specified on Schedule F, the Service Recipient (including its personnel) shall access the applicable Shared Real Property through existing employee entrances designated by the Service Provider. Access to any other areas ("Other Areas") in, on or about the applicable Shared Real Property (including conference room(s), break area(s), designated smoking area(s), restroom(s), machine shop(s),

shipping/receiving area(s) and cafeteria(s) other than to the extent located within the Shared Real Property) shall be as otherwise designated by the Service Provider in its reasonable discretion. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the Service Recipient shall not access any other areas.

Section 3.06 <u>Compliance with Service Provider's Policies</u>. The Service Recipient shall comply with the Service Provider's reasonable policies and procedures, security requirements and rules and regulations with respect to the applicable Shared Real Property and the Service Recipient's occupancy of such Shared Real Property. Such policies may be changed from time to time upon reasonable prior notice at the applicable Service Provider's sole reasonable discretion.

Section 3.07 Insurance. Each Party agrees, during the term of this license, to cause its Service Recipients under this Article III to carry and maintain (i) commercial general liability insurance with a single combined liability limit of \$5,000,000 per occurrence and (ii) workers' compensation/employer's liability insurance with a liability limit of \$1,000,000 per occurrence, and in the case of the policies described in clauses (i) and (ii), naming the applicable Service Provider (and other parties as may be reasonably required) as an additional insured, against liability with respect to accidents occurring on, in or about the applicable Shared Real Property or arising out of the use and occupancy of such Shared Real Property by the Service Recipient and its personnel and visitors. All such insurance policies shall contain a waiver of subrogation in the applicable Service Provider's favor. The Parties acknowledge that the Service Providers shall have no responsibility to insure or actively maintain any Service Recipient's personal property, including any Service Recipient's equipment and trade fixtures, located in the Shared Real Property. Notwithstanding the aforesaid liability limits, said limits shall not diminish or otherwise impact or affect the obligations of the Parties and their Service Recipients hereunder. The policy(s) maintained by the applicable Service Recipient shall be issued by a company licensed to do business in the country where the Shared Real Property is located and the applicable Service Recipient shall deposit a certificate evidencing the same with the applicable Service Provider on or before the Distribution Date. During the term of the license granted in Section 3.01, the applicable Service Providers under this Article III shall maintain insurance policies for the Shared Real Property as in effect as of the Distribution Date.

Section 3.08 Surrender. Upon the expiration or termination of the license granted under this Article III, each Service Recipient shall, at its sole cost and expense, (i) remove their personal property, equipment, trade fixtures and other goods and effects, and repair any damage to the Shared Real Property resulting from such removal, and (ii) otherwise quit and deliver up the Shared Real Property peaceably and quietly and in as good order and condition as the same were in on the Distribution Date, reasonable wear and tear, damage by fire and the elements excepted. In the event any Service Recipient fails to repair and perform the aforementioned facilities restoration and otherwise deliver the Shared Real Property as set forth above, the Service Provider or any member of its Group shall have the right to make said reasonable repairs and reasonably perform such facilities restoration, charge such Service Recipient or any member of its Group the reasonable costs of such repairs and restoration, and such Service Recipient or any member of its Group shall reimburse the Service Provider or the member of its Group, as applicable, within thirty (30) days of receipt of invoice. Any property left in the Shared Real Property after the expiration or termination of the license granted under

this <u>Article III</u> shall be deemed to have been abandoned and the property of the Service Providers to dispose of as the Service Providers deem expedient and at the sole cost and expense of the Service Recipients.

Section 3.09 <u>License Rights</u>. The rights granted herein in favor of each Service Recipient are in the nature of a license and shall not create any leasehold or other estate or possessory rights in Shared Real Property, and if the license granted under this <u>Article III</u> expires or is terminated, the Service Recipient shall vacate the Shared Real Property, and any occupancy or activity of the Service Recipient thereafter in the Shared Real Property shall be considered a trespass.

Section 3.10 <u>Relocation</u>. Each Service Provider shall have the right, at its cost, to relocate the applicable Service Recipient to other area(s) of each Shared Real Property by providing the Service Recipient reasonable advance notice, <u>provided</u> that such relocation does not reduce the rights of the Service Recipient or increase the obligations of the Service Recipient under this Agreement or unreasonably interrupt the day-to-day operations of the Nuance Business or the SpinCo Business, as applicable.

Section 3.11 Alterations, The Service Recipient shall not make any alterations, additions or improvements to the Shared Real Property.

Section 3.12 <u>Controlling Provisions</u>. In the event of a conflict between the terms of this <u>Article III</u> and any other provision in this Agreement with regard to the right to use the Shared Real Property specified in this <u>Article III</u>, the terms of this <u>Article III</u> shall control. In the event of a conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the terms set forth on <u>Schedule F</u> attached hereto, the terms of <u>Schedule F</u> shall control.

# ARTICLE IV

#### **Additional Arrangements**

# Section 4.01 Cooperation and Access.

(a) Subject to the other terms and conditions of this Agreement, Service Recipients shall cooperate with the Service Providers to the extent necessary or appropriate to facilitate the performance of the Services in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, subject to Section 10.05, (i) each Party shall make available on a timely basis to the other Party all information and materials requested by such Party to the extent reasonably necessary for the performance or receipt of the Services, (ii) each Party shall, and shall cause the members of its Group to, upon reasonable notice, give or cause to be given to the other Party and its Affiliates and Sub-Contractors reasonably necessary for the performance or receipt of the Services and (iii) each Party shall, and shall cause the members of its Group to, give the other Party and its Affiliates and Sub-Contractors reasonable access to, and all necessary rights to utilize, such Party's, and its Group's, information, facilities, personnel,

assets, systems and technologies to the extent reasonably necessary for the performance or receipt of the Services.

- (b) Each Party shall (and shall cause the members of its Group and its personnel and the personnel of its Affiliates and Sub-Contractors providing or receiving Services to): (i) not attempt to obtain access to or use any information technology systems of the other Party or any member of its Group, or any confidential Information, Personal Data or competitively sensitive information owned, used or Processed by the other Party, except where it has been granted in writing the right to do so or, to the extent reasonably necessary to do so, to provide or receive Services; (ii) maintain reasonable security measures to protect the systems of the other Party and the members of its Group to which it has access pursuant to this Agreement from access by unauthorized third parties; (iii) follow applicable Laws and all of the other Party's security rules, access agreements, and procedures for restricting access and use, when allowed, to such other Party's information technology systems; (iv) when on the property of the other Party or any of its Affiliates, follow applicable Laws and all of the other Party's policies and procedures concerning health, safety, conduct and security which are made known to the Party receiving such access from time to time and (v) not disable, damage or erase or disrupt, interfere with or impair the normal operation of the information technology systems of the other Party or any member of its Group.
- (c) Service Provider shall (i) immediately notify Service Recipient of any confirmed misuse, disclosure or loss of, or inability to account for, any Personal Data or any confidential or competitively sensitive Information, and any confirmed unauthorized access to Service Provider's facilities, systems or network, in each case, solely to the extent related to the Service Recipient; and Service Provider will investigate such confirmed security incidents and reasonably cooperate with Service Recipient's incident response team, supplying logs and other necessary information to mitigate and limit the damages resulting from such a security incident; provided that the Service Recipient agrees to reimburse Service Provider for time spent and actual travel expenses incurred in connection with any such investigation; and (ii) subject to applicable Law, use commercially reasonable efforts to comply with any commercially reasonable requests to assist Service Recipient with its electronic discovery obligations related to Services provided to the Service Recipient; provided that the Service Recipient agrees to reimburse Service Provider for time spent and actual travel expenses incurred for such response.
- (d) In the event of a security breach that relates to the Services, the Parties shall, subject to any applicable Law, reasonably cooperate with each other regarding the timing and manner of (a) notification to their respective customers, potential customers, employees or agents concerning a breach or potential breach of security and (b) disclosures to appropriate Governmental Authorities.
- (e) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement (but subject to the following proviso), any Personal Data transferred or otherwise made available to the other Party in connection with the Services shall be subject to any data transfer agreement required by applicable law, and each Party agrees to abide by the applicable provisions thereof, to the extent related to such data; provided, however, that any Personal Data provided by Service Recipient to Service Provider under this Agreement shall only be used to the extent reasonably

necessary for Service Provider to provide Services and solely for the applicable term of such Services.

# Section 4.02 <u>Intellectual Property.</u>

- (a) Each Party, on behalf of itself and its Affiliates, hereby grants to the other Party and to its Affiliates and Sub-Contractors providing Services under this Agreement a nonexclusive, nontransferable, world-wide, royalty-free, sublicensable license, for the term of this Agreement, to use the intellectual property owned by such Party and the members of its Group solely to the extent necessary for the other Party and the members of its Group to perform their obligations hereunder or receive the Services provided hereunder, as applicable.
- (b) Subject to the terms of the Separation Agreement, each Service Provider acknowledges and agrees that the Designated Work Product is and shall remain the exclusive property of the applicable Service Recipient. The Service Provider acknowledges and agrees that, to the fullest extent permitted under applicable Law, the Designated Work Product is a "work made for hire," as that phrase is defined in the Copyright Act of 1976 (17 U.S.C. §101), for the Service Recipient. To the extent title to any Designated Work Product vests in the Service Provider by operation of Law, in its capacity as a Service Provider, hereby assigns (and shall cause any such other Service Provider, and any Affiliate or Sub-Contractor of such Service Provider to assign) to the relevant Service Recipient all right, title and interest in and to such Designated Work Product, and the Service Provider shall (and shall cause any Affiliate or Sub-Contractor of such Service Provider to) provide such assistance and execute such documents as the Service Recipient may reasonably request to assign to the relevant Service Recipient all right, title and interest in and to such work product. Each Service Recipient acknowledges and agrees that it will acquire no right, title or interest to any work product resulting from the provision of the Services hereunder that is not Designated Work Product, and such work product shall remain the exclusive property of the Service Provider.
- (c) The Parties acknowledge that it may be necessary for each of them to make proprietary or third-party software available to the other in the course and for the purpose of performing Services, subject to Section 2.01(h) in the case of third-party software. Each Party (i) shall comply with all known license terms and conditions applicable to any and all proprietary or third-party software made available to such Party by the other Party in the course of the provision of Services hereunder and (ii) agrees that it shall use reasonable efforts to identify and provide to the other Party a copy of the applicable license terms (or, solely with respect to open source software or other software with publicly available license terms, information sufficient to direct such other Party to a copy thereof) for any and all proprietary or third-party software first made available to such other Party as of or after the Distribution Date, solely to the extent such provision would not violate the providing Party's duty of confidentiality owed to any third party.
- (d) Except as expressly specified in this <u>Section 4.02</u>, nothing in this Agreement will be deemed to grant one Party, by implication, estoppel or otherwise, any license rights, ownership rights or other rights in any intellectual property owned by the other Party (or any Affiliate or Sub-Contractor of the other Party).

# Section 4.03 Customer Receipt Payments and Bank Account Transition Process.

- (a) For a period of twelve (12) months immediately following the Distribution ("<u>Customer Receipt Payment Period</u>"), in the event any payments related to trade receivables intended for the SpinCo Group or the Nuance Group, as applicable (the "<u>Intended Payee</u>"), is incorrectly received by any member of the other Group (the "<u>Customer Receipt Payee</u>") such Customer Receipt Payee will, as soon as reasonably practicable, but in no event in more than ten (10) business days following receipt of such payment (the "<u>Misdirected Customer Payment</u>"), send the applicable Intended Payee through wire transfer to an account designated by Intended Payee an amount equal to the value of such payment (each, a "<u>Customer Receipt Payment</u>").
- (b) For each Customer Receipt Payment, the Customer Receipt Payee must provide the applicable customer(s) payment details to allow the Intended Payee to identify the customer(s) and the related transaction(s) associated with the Customer Receipt Payment, including each customer's name, accounts receivable account number and payment amount. On or prior to the Distribution Date, each Party shall provide the other Party with the relevant contact information of the persons to send this information.
- (c) The Intended Payee will pursue corrections to the banking details internally. If a member of the SpinCo Group or the Nuance Group receives a Misdirected Customer Payment within the eleven (11) months following the Distribution, the Customer Receipt Payee will send a letter to the respective customer(s) every month following such payment for so long as such customer(s) continue to remit Misdirected Customer Payments (but in any event no longer than eleven (11) months following the Distribution), informing the customer of the need to use the correct bank account as designated by the Intended Payee. If such customer continues to send Misdirected Customer Payments in the eleventh (11th) month following the Distribution, the Customer Receipt Payee and the Intended Payee will send a final joint letter one month prior to the expiration of the Customer Receipt Payment Period.
- (d) Each Party agrees to not send the other Party any Customer Receipt Payments from customers found on the U.S. Treasury Office of Foreign Assets Control's Specially-Designated Nationals List or from any countries with which U.S. persons are prohibited from conducting business. Each Party agrees to not accept Customer Receipt Payments made in cash. Each Party agrees to immediately notify the other Party of any Customer Receipt Payments falling within the scope of this Section 4.03(d) and to cooperate with the other Party in taking any action recommended by the other Party in connection with such Customer Receipt Payments.
- (e) All Customer Receipt Payments made by any Customer Receipt Payee to any Intended Payee hereunder shall be made by a wire transfer of immediately available funds in U.S. Dollars to a bank account designated in writing by the Intended Payee entitled to receive payment. Customer Receipt Payments may be bundled or sent on a per payment basis.
- (f) All bank fees incurred for transmitting Customer Receipt Payments pursuant to this <u>Section 4.03</u> will be paid by the Intended Payee and may be deducted from the

applicable Customer Receipt Payments sent to the Intended Payee by the Customer Receipt Payee.

Section 4.04 <u>IT Agreements</u>. Each Party acknowledges and agrees that the Services provided by a Service Provider through third parties or using third-party intellectual property are subject to the terms and conditions of any applicable agreements between the Service Provider and such third parties (such agreements, the "<u>IT Agreements</u>"), as set forth on <u>Schedule G</u>. The Service Provider shall use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain as promptly as possible any Consent of any Person that may be necessary for the performance of the Service Provider's obligations pursuant to this Agreement in accordance with <u>Section 2.01(h)</u> (it being understood that each Service Recipient shall only be granted access to IT Agreements during the term of this Agreement, and upon expiration of the applicable service term shall procure its own standalone license with the applicable third-party provider).

Section 4.05 <u>Certain Supplier Agreements</u>. Following the Distribution and until one year after the Distribution Date, Nuance shall, and shall cause the members of the Nuance Group to, cooperate in any reasonable and permissible arrangement to provide that SpinCo and the other members of the SpinCo Group shall receive the interest in the benefits and obligations under the Certain Supplier Agreements in accordance with the provisions of such Certain Supplier Agreement. Payments due to a third party for use of the Certain Supplier Agreements by the SpinCo Business shall either, at Nuance's sole option, be (i) paid by the member of the SpinCo Group receiving the benefit of such Certain Supplier Agreement or (ii) paid by a member of the Nuance Group and charged by Nuance to Cerence Subsidiary on a pass-through basis. Any internal or third-party costs incurred by Nuance in connection with Nuance's cooperation in accordance with this <u>Section 4.05</u> shall be charged by Nuance to Cerence Subsidiary on a pass-through basis. Without limiting Cerence Subsidiary's obligations under <u>Article VIII</u>, Cerence Subsidiary shall indemnify and hold harmless the member of the Nuance Group party to such Certain Supplier Agreement for any Liability relating to, arising out of or resulting from Cerence Subsidiary's use of the Certain Supplier Agreements and Nuance's cooperation in accordance with this <u>Section 4.05</u>.

# ARTICLE V

# Compensation

Section 5.01 Compensation for Services. In each case except as expressly provided in Schedule A or Schedule B:

- (a) As compensation for each Service rendered pursuant to this Agreement, the Service Recipient shall be required to pay to the Service Provider a fee for the Service equal to the Cost of Services specified for such Service in <u>Schedule A</u> or <u>Schedule B</u>, as applicable (each fee constituting a "<u>Service Charge</u>").
- (b) For Services with fees determined on an hourly basis (the "<u>Hourly Services</u>"), the Cost of Services are exclusive of any out-of-pocket third-party fees, costs and expenses that may be incurred by the Service Provider or any Sub-Contractor in connection with performing the Services. All of the costs and expenses described in this <u>Section 5.01(b)</u> ("<u>Hourly</u>"

<u>Services Expenses</u>") shall be charged by the Service Provider to the Service Recipient on a pass-through basis. For the avoidance of doubt, the Hourly Services Expenses shall be consistent with the Service Provider's general approach with respect to such types of costs and expenses; <u>provided</u> that with respect to any Service, the Service Recipient's prior written approval shall be required to the extent that Hourly Services Expenses exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the Service Charge paid and payable to the Service Provider for such Service in any calendar quarter.

- (c) During the term of this Agreement, the amount of a Cost of Service for a Service may increase during a Service Extension, in accordance with Section 6.02.
- (d) The amount of any actual and documented sales tax, value-added tax, goods and services tax or similar tax that is required to be assessed and remitted by the Service Provider in connection with the Services provided hereunder ("<u>Taxes</u>") will be promptly paid to the Service Provider by the Service Recipient in accordance with <u>Section 5.02</u>. Such payment shall be in addition to the Cost of Services set forth in <u>Schedule A</u> or <u>Schedule B</u>, as applicable (unless such Tax is expressly already accounted for in the applicable Cost of Services). Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) in the case of value-added Taxes, the Service Recipient shall not be obligated to pay such Taxes, unless the Service Provider has issued to the Service Recipient a valid value-added tax invoice in respect thereof, and (ii) in the case of all Taxes, the Service Recipient shall not be obligated to pay such Taxes if and to the extent that the Service Recipient has provided any valid exemption certificates or other applicable documentation that would eliminate or reduce the obligation to collect or pay such Taxes.
- (e) Either Party shall have the right to deduct or withhold from any payments otherwise payable under this Agreement such amounts as are required by applicable Law to be deducted or withheld with respect thereto and, to the extent such amounts are duly and timely remitted to the appropriate Governmental Authority, such deducted or withheld amounts shall be treated as paid to the other Party for all purposes of this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall notify the other Party in writing of any anticipated withholding at least fifteen (15) business days prior to making any such deduction or withholding and will cooperate with the other Party in obtaining any available exemption from or reduction of such deduction or withholding. The Party making such deduction or withholding shall promptly provide to the other Party tax receipts or other documents evidencing the payment of any such deducted or withheld amount to the applicable Governmental Authority.

# Section 5.02 Payment Terms.

(a) The Service Provider shall bill the Service Recipient monthly in U.S. Dollars, within thirty (30) business days after the end of each month, or at such other interval specified with respect to a particular Service in Schedule A or Schedule B, as applicable, an amount equal to the aggregate Cost of Services due for all Services provided in such month or other specified interval, as applicable, plus any Taxes. Invoices shall set forth a description of the Services provided and reasonable documentation to support the charges thereon, which invoice and documentation shall be in the same level of detail and in accordance with the procedures for invoicing as provided to the Service Provider's other businesses. Invoices shall be directed to the Service Coordinator appointed by Nuance or Cerence Subsidiary, as applicable, or to such other Person designated in writing from time to time by such Service

Coordinator. The Service Recipient shall pay such amount in full within thirty (30) days after receipt of each invoice by wire transfer of immediately available funds to the account designated by the Service Provider for this purpose. If the thirtieth (30th) day falls on a weekend or a holiday, the Service Recipient shall pay such amount on or before the following business day. Each invoice shall set forth in reasonable detail the calculation of the charges and amounts and applicable Taxes for each Service during the month or other specified interval to which such invoice relates. In addition to any other remedies for non-payment, if any payment is not received by the Service Provider on or before the date such amount is due, then a late payment interest charge, calculated at the annual rate equal to the "Prime Rate" as reported on the thirtieth (30th) day after the date of the invoice in *The Wall Street Journal* (or, if such day is not a business day, the first business day immediately after such day), calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and the actual number of days elapsed between the end of the thirty (30)-day payment period and the actual payment date, shall immediately begin to accrue and any such late payment interest charges shall become immediately due and payable in addition to the amount otherwise owed under this Agreement. The Service Recipient may elect by written notice to Service Provider to have invoices directed to and paid by any of Service Recipient's subsidiaries and, in such event, Service Recipient will make appropriate arrangements for the internal allocation of such invoiced costs within its Group. The Parties shall cooperate to achieve an invoicing structure that minimizes taxes for both Parties, including by implementing a local-to-local invoicing structure where applicable.

- (b) The Service Recipient shall notify the Service Provider promptly, and in no event later than thirty (30) days following receipt of the Service Provider's invoice, of any disputed amounts. If the Service Recipient does not notify the Service Provider of any disputed amounts within such thirty (30)-day period, then Service Recipient will be deemed to have accepted the Service Provider's invoice. Any objection to the amount of any invoice shall be deemed to be a Dispute hereunder subject to the provisions applicable to Disputes set forth in Article IX. The Service Recipient shall pay any undisputed amount, and all Taxes (whether or not disputed), in accordance with this Section 5.02. The Service Provider shall, upon the written request of a Service Recipient, furnish such reasonable documentation to substantiate the amounts billed, including listings of the dates, times and amounts of the Services in question where applicable and practicable. The Service Recipient may withhold any payments subject to a Dispute other than Taxes; provided that any disputed payments, to the extent ultimately determined to be payable to the Service Provider, shall bear interest as set forth in Section 5.02(a).
- (c) Subject to Section 5.02(b), no Service Recipient shall withhold any payments to its Service Provider under this Agreement in order to offset payments due to such Service Recipient pursuant to this Agreement, the Separation Agreement, any Ancillary Agreement or otherwise, unless such withholding is mutually agreed by the Parties or is provided for in the final ruling of a court having jurisdiction pursuant to Section 10.07. Any required adjustment to payments due hereunder will be made as a subsequent invoice.

Section 5.03 <u>DISCLAIMER OF WARRANTIES</u>. WITHOUT LIMITATION TO THE COVENANTS RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF SERVICES SET FORTH IN <u>Section 2.01(f)</u>, THE SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT ARE FURNISHED WITHOUT REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY OF ANY KIND, EXPRESS

OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY, NON-INFRINGEMENT OR FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE. NO MEMBER OF THE NUANCE GROUP OR OF THE SPINCO GROUP, AS SERVICE PROVIDER, MAKES ANY REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY THAT ANY SERVICE COMPLIES WITH ANY LAW, DOMESTIC OR FOREIGN.

Section 5.04 <u>Books and Records</u>. Nuance and Cerence Subsidiary shall each, and shall each cause the members of their Group to, maintain complete and accurate books of account as necessary to support calculations of the Cost of Services for Services rendered by it or the other members of its Group as Service Providers and shall make such books available to the other, upon reasonable notice, during normal business hours; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that to the extent Nuance's or Cerence Subsidiary's books, or the books of the members of their Group, contain Information relating to any other aspect of the Nuance Business or the SpinCo Business, as applicable, Nuance and Cerence Subsidiary shall negotiate a procedure to provide the other Party with necessary access while preserving the confidentiality of such other records.

# ARTICLE VI

# Term

Service until the occurrence of the Applicable Termination Date applicable to such Service (or, subject to the terms of Section 6.02, the expiration of any Service Extension applicable to such Service), unless earlier terminated (i) in its entirety or with respect to a particular Service, in each case in accordance with Section 6.03 or Section 6.04, or (ii) by mutual consent of the Parties. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, if the Separation Agreement shall be terminated in accordance with its terms, this Agreement shall be automatically terminated and void ab initio with no further action by the Parties and shall be of no force and effect.

Section 6.02 Service Extension. Except as expressly provided in Schedule A or Schedule B, if the Service Recipient reasonably determines that it will require a Service to continue beyond the Applicable Termination Date or the end of a subsequent extension period, the Service Recipient may request the Service Provider to extend the term of such Service for the desired renewal period(s) (each, a "Service Extension") by written notice to the Service Provider no less than forty-five (45) days prior to end of the then-current Service term; provided that a Service Recipient may only request to extend a Service that is included on Schedule D if it requests to extend all other Services that are designated on Schedule D as a Related Service with respect to such Service. The Service Provider shall respond to any such request for a Service Extension within fifteen (15) days of receipt and shall use commercially reasonable efforts to comply with such Service Extension request; provided, however, that (i) the Service Extensions with respect to each Service shall not extend the term of such Service to a date beyond the Applicable End Date applicable to such Service, (ii) the Service Provider will not be in breach of its obligations under this Section 6.02 if it is unable to comply with a Service Extension request through the use of commercially reasonable efforts, including where a Consent that is required in order for the Service Provider to continue to provide the applicable Service during the requested Service Extension cannot be obtained by the Service Provider through the use of commercially

reasonable efforts, (iii) the Service Provider shall not be required to contribute capital, pay or grant any consideration or concession in any form (including by providing any letter of credit, guaranty or other financial accommodation) to any Person in order to obtain or make any Consent that is required in order for the Service Provider to continue to provide the applicable Service during the requested Service Extension (other than reasonable out-of-pocket expenses, attorneys' fees and recording or similar fees, all of which shall be reimbursed by the Service Recipient, as promptly as reasonably practicable) and (iv) each Service Extension is permissible under applicable Law and would not prevent, or be reasonably likely to prevent, or be inconsistent with the qualification of the Distribution as a tax-free transaction for U.S. federal, state and local income tax purposes. With respect to Schedule A or Schedule B, as applicable, the Cost of Services specified for such Service in Schedule A or Schedule B, as applicable, shall be amended to include (i) for the period from the Applicable Termination Date until the date that is one half of the Applicable Original Duration following the Applicable Termination Date to the Applicable End Date, an incremental surcharge of 20%. The Parties shall amend the terms of Schedule A or Schedule B, as applicable, to reflect the new Service term and Cost of Services within five (5) days following the Service Provider's agreement to a Service Extension, subject to the conditions set forth in this Section 6.02. Each such amended Schedule A or Schedule B, as applicable, as agreed to in writing by the Parties, shall be deemed part of this Agreement as of the date of such agreement.

# Section 6.03 <u>Termination</u>.

- (a) This Agreement may be terminated:
- (i) by either Nuance or Cerence Subsidiary at any time upon written notice to the other Party (which notice shall specify the basis for such claim for breach of this Agreement), if the other Party materially breaches this Agreement (and the period for resolution of the Dispute relating to such breach set forth in Section 9.01 has expired), effective upon not less than thirty (30)-days' written notice of termination to the breaching Party, if the breaching Party does not cure such default within thirty (30) days after receiving written notice thereof from the non-breaching Party; or
- (ii) except as otherwise provided by Law, by either Nuance or Cerence Subsidiary at any time upon written notice to the other Party, if (i) the other Party is adjudicated as bankrupt, (ii) any insolvency, bankruptcy or reorganization proceeding is commenced by the other Party under any insolvency, bankruptcy or reorganization act, (iii) any action is taken by others against the other Party under any insolvency, bankruptcy or reorganization act and such Party fails to have such proceeding stayed or vacated within ninety (90) days or (iv) if the other Party makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or a receiver is appointed for the other Party which is not discharged within thirty (30) days after the appointment of the receiver.

# Section 6.04 Partial Termination.

- (a) If a Service Provider or Service Recipient materially breaches any of its respective obligations under this Agreement with respect to a Service (and the period for resolution of the Dispute relating to such breach set forth in Section 9.01 has expired), the non-breaching Service Recipient or Service Provider, as applicable, may terminate this Agreement with respect to the Service to which such obligations apply, effective upon not less than thirty (30) days' written notice of termination to the breaching Party, if the breaching Party does not cure such default within thirty (30) days after receiving written notice thereof from the non-breaching Party. The termination of this Agreement with respect to any Service pursuant to this Section 6.04 shall not affect the Parties' rights or obligations under this Agreement with respect to any other Service.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement or <u>Schedule A</u> or <u>Schedule B</u>, upon not less than sixty (60)-days' prior written notice, a Service Recipient shall be entitled to terminate one or more Services being provided by any Service Provider for any reason or no reason at all; <u>provided</u> that a Service Recipient may only terminate a Service that is included on <u>Schedule D</u> pursuant to this <u>Section 6.04(b)</u> if it simultaneously terminates all other Services that are designated on <u>Schedule D</u> as a Related Service with respect to such Service.
- (c) In the event that a Service Provider reduces or suspends the provision of any Service due to a Force Majeure Event and such reduction or suspension continues for fifteen (15) days, the Service Recipient may immediately terminate such Service, upon written notice and without any obligations therefor, including any Service Charges in respect thereof.

# Section 6.05 Effect of Termination.

- (a) Each Party agrees and acknowledges that the obligations of each Party to provide the Services, or to cause the Services to be provided, hereunder shall immediately cease upon (i) the termination of any (or all) such Service(s) at the Applicable Termination Date applicable to each such Service (or, subject to the terms of Section 6.02, the expiration of any Service Extension applicable to such Service), (ii) termination of (A) this Agreement or (B) any particular Service, in each case in accordance with Section 6.04, or (iii) upon termination of the Agreement or any Service by mutual consent of the Parties. Upon cessation of the Service Provider's obligation to provide any Service, the Service Recipient shall stop using, directly or indirectly, such Service.
- (b) Upon the request of the Service Recipient after the termination of a Service with respect to which the Service Provider holds books, records or files, including current and archived copies of computer files, (i) owned solely by the Service Recipient or its Affiliates and used by the Service Provider in connection with the provision of a Service pursuant to this Agreement or (ii) created by the Service Provider and in the Service Provider's possession as a function of and relating solely to the provision of Services pursuant to this Agreement, such books, records and files shall either be returned to the Service Recipient or destroyed by the Service Provider, with certification of such destruction provided to the Service Recipient, other than, in each case, such books, records and files electronically preserved or

recorded within any computerized data storage device or component (including any hard-drive or database) pursuant to automatic or routine backup procedures generally accessible only by legal, IT or compliance personnel, which such books, records and files will not be used by the Service Provider for any other purpose. The Service Recipient shall bear the Service Provider's reasonable, necessary and actual out-of-pocket costs and expenses associated with the return or destruction of such books, records or files. At its expense, the Service Provider may make one copy of such books, records or files for its legal files, subject to such Party's obligations under Section 10.05.

- (c) In the event that any Service is terminated other than at the end of a month, and the Service Charge associated with such Service is determined on a monthly basis, the Service Provider shall bill the Service Recipient for the entire month in which such Service is terminated. The Parties acknowledge that there may be interdependencies among the Services being provided under this Agreement that may not be identified on Schedule A, Schedule B or Schedule D, as applicable, and agree that, if the Service Provider's ability to provide a particular Service in accordance with this Agreement is materially and adversely affected by the termination of another Service in accordance with Section 6.04, then the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to amend the Schedule A or Schedule B, as applicable, relating to such affected continuing Service.
- (d) In the event of a termination under Section 6.04, the Service Recipient shall pay to the Service Provider any breakage or termination fees, and other termination costs payable by the Service Provider, solely as a result of the early termination of such Service, with respect to any resources or pursuant to any other third-party agreements that were used by the Service Provider to provide such Service (or an equitably allocated portion thereof, in the case of any such equipment, resources or agreements that also were used for purposes other than providing Services) ("Termination Charges"). The Service Provider will provide to the Service Recipient an invoice for the Termination Charges, within thirty (30) days following the date of any termination of a Service under Section 6.04 and will provide reasonable documentary evidence to substantiate such Termination Charges.
- (e) In the event of any termination of this Agreement in its entirety or with respect to any Service, each Party, Service Provider and Service Recipient shall remain liable for all of their respective obligations that accrued hereunder prior to the date of such termination, including all obligations of each Service Recipient to pay any Service Charges due to any Service Provider hereunder.
- (f) The following matters shall survive the termination of this Agreement, including the rights and obligations of each Party thereunder, in addition to any claim for breach arising prior to termination: Article I, Section 4.02(b), Article V, Article VII (including liability in respect of any indemnifiable Liabilities under this Agreement arising or occurring on or prior to the date of termination), this Section 6.05, Article IX, Article X and all confidentiality obligations under this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE VII

# **Indemnification**; Limitation of Liability

# Section 7.01 <u>Indemnification by Cerence Subsidiary</u>.

- (a) Cerence Subsidiary, in its capacity as a Service Recipient and on behalf of each member of its Group in its capacity as a Service Recipient, shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless Nuance and the other Nuance Indemnitees from and against any and all Liabilities incurred by such Nuance Indemnitee to the extent relating to, arising out of or resulting from any Services provided by any member of the Nuance Group hereunder, except to the extent such Liabilities arise out of a Nuance Group member's (i) breach of this Agreement, (ii) violation of Laws in providing the Services or (iii) gross negligence or willful misconduct in providing the Services.
- (b) Cerence Subsidiary, in its capacity as a Service Provider and on behalf of each member of its Group in its capacity as a Service Provider, shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless Nuance and the other Nuance Indemnitees from and against any and all Liabilities incurred by such Nuance Indemnitee to the extent relating to, arising out of or resulting from any Services provided by any member of the Nuance Group hereunder, to the extent such Liabilities result from a SpinCo Group member's (i) breach of this Agreement, (ii) violation of Laws in providing the Services or (iii) gross negligence or willful misconduct in providing the Services.

# Section 7.02 <u>Indemnification by Nuance</u>.

- (a) Nuance, in its capacity as a Service Recipient and on behalf of each member of its Group in its capacity as a Service Recipient, shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless Cerence Subsidiary and the other SpinCo Indemnitees from and against any and all Liabilities incurred by such SpinCo Indemnitee to the extent relating to, arising out of or resulting from any Services provided by any member of the SpinCo Group hereunder, except to the extent such Liabilities arise out of a SpinCo Group member's (i) breach of this Agreement, (ii) violation of Laws in providing the Services or (iii) gross negligence or willful misconduct in providing the Services.
- (b) Nuance, in its capacity as a Service Provider and on behalf of each member of its Group in its capacity as a Service Provider, shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless Cerence Subsidiary and the other SpinCo Indemnitees from and against any and all Liabilities incurred by such SpinCo Indemnitee to the extent relating to, arising out of or resulting from any Services provided by any member of the Nuance Group hereunder, to the extent such Liabilities result from a Nuance Group member's (i) breach of this Agreement, (ii) violation of Laws in providing the Services or (iii) gross negligence or willful misconduct in providing the Services.
- Section 7.03 <u>Indemnification Procedures</u>. The provisions of Section 6.05 of the Separation Agreement shall govern claims for indemnification under this Agreement, <u>provided</u> that, for purposes of this <u>Section 7.03</u>, in the event of any conflict between the provisions of

Section 6.05 of the Separation Agreement and this Article VII, the provisions of this Agreement shall control.

Section 7.04 Exclusion of Other Remedies. Without limiting the rights under Section 10.09, the provisions of Sections 7.01 and 7.02 shall, to the maximum extent permitted by applicable Law, be the sole and exclusive remedies of the Nuance Group and the SpinCo Group, as applicable, for any Liability, whether arising from statute, principle of common or civil law, principles of strict liability, tort, contract or otherwise under this Agreement.

Section 7.05 Other Indemnification Obligations Unaffected. For avoidance of doubt, this Article VII applies solely to the specific matters and activities covered by this Agreement (and not to matters specifically covered by the Separation Agreement or the other Ancillary Agreements).

# Section 7.06 <u>Limitation on Liability</u>.

- (a) No Service Provider, in its capacity as such, nor any member of its Group acting in the capacity of a Service Provider, nor any Indemnitee thereof, shall be liable (whether such liability is direct or indirect, in contract or tort or otherwise) to the other Party (or any of such other Party's Indemnitees) for any Liabilities relating to, arising out of or resulting from the Services or this Agreement, except to the extent that such Liabilities arise out of such Service Provider's (or a member of its Group's) (i) breach of this Agreement, (ii) violation of Laws in providing the Services or (iii) gross negligence or willful misconduct in providing the Services; <u>provided</u> that nothing in this <u>Section 7.06</u> shall be deemed to limit a Service Recipient's rights under <u>Section 7.06(d)</u> regarding Insurance Proceeds in respect of Third-Party Claims.
- (b) IN NO EVENT SHALL ANY SERVICE PROVIDER, IN ITS CAPACITY AS SUCH, NOR ANY MEMBER OF ITS GROUP ACTING IN THE CAPACITY OF A SERVICE PROVIDER, NOR ANY INDEMNITEE THEREOF, BE LIABLE, WHETHER IN CONTRACT, IN TORT (INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE AND STRICT LIABILITY) OR OTHERWISE TO THE SERVICE RECIPIENT (OR ANY OF ITS INDEMNITEES) FOR ANY INDIRECT, SPECIAL, CONSEQUENTIAL OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES (INCLUDING LOSS OF PROFITS) AS A RESULT OF ANY BREACH, PERFORMANCE OR NON-PERFORMANCE BY SUCH SERVICE PROVIDER UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, EXCEPT AS MAY BE PAYABLE TO A CLAIMANT IN A THIRD-PARTY CLAIM.
- (c) EACH GROUP'S TOTAL LIABILITY, IN ITS CAPACITY AS A SERVICE PROVIDER, TO THE OTHER GROUP RELATING TO, ARISING OUT OF OR RESULTING FROM THE SERVICES OR THIS AGREEMENT FOR ALL CLAIMS SHALL NOT EXCEED IN THE AGGREGATE AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE TOTAL AMOUNT PAID TO IT FOR SERVICES UNDER THIS AGREEMENT; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT, NOTWITHSTANDING THE FOREGOING, IN THE CASE OF ANY LIABILITY TO THE OTHER PARTY ARISING OUT OF A THIRD-PARTY CLAIM, EACH GROUP'S TOTAL LIABILITY IN ITS CAPACITY AS A SERVICE PROVIDER TO THE OTHER GROUP SHALL BE INCREASED BY AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE AMOUNT, IF ANY,

OF ANY INSURANCE PROCEEDS THAT ARE ACTUALLY RECEIVED BY SUCH SERVICE PROVIDER IN ACCORDANCE WITH Section 7.06(d).

(d) If a Service Provider, in its capacity as such, or any member of its Group acting in the capacity of a Service Provider, or any Indemnitee thereof, shall be liable to the other Party for any Liability arising out of a Third-Party Claim, such Service Provider, at the request of the Indemnitee, shall use commercially reasonable efforts to pursue and recover any available Insurance Proceeds under applicable insurance policies. Promptly upon the actual receipt of any such Insurance Proceeds, such Service Provider shall pay such Insurance Proceeds to the applicable Indemnitee to the extent of the Liability arising out of the applicable Third-Party Claim. The Indemnitee shall, upon the request of such Service Provider and to the extent permitted under such Service Provider's applicable insurance policies, promptly pay directly to such Service Provider or to such Service Provider's insurer any reasonable costs or expenses incurred in the collection of such Indemnitee's portion of such Insurance Proceeds (including such Indemnitee's portion of applicable retentions or deductibles); provided, however, that in no event shall an Indemnitee's portion of such Collection costs and expenses, applicable retentions and deductibles exceed the amount of Insurance Proceeds actually received by such Indemnitee.

# ARTICLE VIII

# **Other Covenants**

Section 8.01 <u>Attorney-in-Fact</u>. On a case-by-case basis, the Service Recipient shall execute documents necessary to appoint the Service Provider as its attorney-in-fact for the sole purpose of executing any and all documents and instruments reasonably required to be executed in connection with the performance by the Service Provider of any Service under this Agreement.

Section 8.02 <u>Further Assurances</u>. Each Party hereto shall take, or cause to be taken, any and all reasonable actions, including the execution, acknowledgment, filing and delivery of any and all documents and instruments that any other Party hereto may reasonably request in order to effect the intent and purpose of this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby.

# ARTICLE IX

#### **Dispute Resolution**

Section 9.01 <u>General</u>. Except as expressly provided in this <u>Article IX</u>, the Parties shall resolve all disputes arising under or in connection with this Agreement (each, a "<u>Dispute</u>") in accordance with the following procedures set forth in this <u>Article IX</u> (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any Dispute relating to payments with respect to the Services).

Section 9.02 <u>Resolution Committee</u>. All Disputes will be first considered in person, by teleconference or by video conference by the Service Coordinators within five (5) business days after receipt of notice from either Party specifying the nature of the Dispute (a

"<u>Dispute Notice</u>"). The Service Coordinators shall enter into negotiations aimed at resolving any such Dispute. If the Service Coordinators are unable to reach a resolution with respect to the Dispute within ten (10) business days after receipt of notice of the Dispute, the Dispute shall be referred to a Resolution Committee comprised of specified transition leaders (the "<u>Resolution Committee</u>") from Nuance and Cerence Subsidiary. On or prior to the Distribution Date, each Party shall provide the other Party with the name and relevant contact information for its respective initial Resolution Committee member, and either Party may replace its Resolution Committee members at any time with other persons of similar seniority by providing written notice in accordance with <u>Section 10.12</u>. The Resolution Committee will meet (by telephone or in person) during the next ten (10) business days and attempt to resolve the Dispute. In the event that the Resolution Committee is unable to reach a resolution with respect to the Dispute within ten (10) business days of the referral of the matter to the Resolution Committee, then the Dispute shall be referred to a senior executive of each Party in accordance with <u>Section 9.03</u> and the Parties shall retain all rights with respect to remedies hereunder.

Section 9.03 <u>Senior Executive Referral</u>. If no resolution is reached with respect to any Dispute in accordance with <u>Section 9.02</u>, then a senior executive of each Party shall, in good faith, attempt to resolve any such Dispute within the following thirty (30) days of the referral of the matter to the senior executives. If no resolution is reached with respect to any such Dispute in accordance with the procedures contained in <u>Section 9.02</u> and this <u>Section 9.03</u>, then the Parties may seek to resolve such matter in accordance with <u>Section 10.07</u>, <u>Section 10.08</u> and <u>Section 10.09</u>.

Section 9.04 <u>Court-Ordered Interim Relief.</u> In accordance with this <u>Section 9.04</u> and <u>Section 10.08</u>, at any time after giving notice of a Dispute, each Party shall be entitled to interim measures of protection duly granted by a court of competent jurisdiction: (1) to preserve the status quo pending resolution of the dispute; (2) to prevent the destruction or loss of documents and other information or things relating to the dispute; or (3) to prevent the transfer, disposition or hiding of assets. Any such interim measure (or a request therefor to a court of competent jurisdiction) shall not be deemed incompatible with the provisions of <u>Section 10.07</u> and <u>Section 10.08</u>. Until such Dispute is resolved in accordance with this <u>Article IX</u> or final judgment is rendered in accordance with <u>Section 10.07</u> and <u>Section 10.08</u>, each Party agrees that such Party shall continue to perform its obligations under this Agreement and that such obligations shall not be subject to any defense or set-off, counterclaim, recoupment or termination.

#### ARTICLE X

#### Miscellaneous

Section 10.01 <u>Title to Equipment; Title to Data.</u>

(a) Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, each of Cerence Subsidiary and Nuance acknowledges that all procedures, methods, systems, strategies, tools, equipment, facilities and other resources used by any Service Provider in connection with the provision of Services shall remain the property of such Service Provider and shall at all times be under the sole direction and control of such Service Provider.

(b) Each of Cerence Subsidiary and Nuance acknowledges that it will acquire no right, title or interest (including any license rights or rights of use) in any firmware or software, or the licenses therefor that are owned by the other Party or its Affiliates, Subsidiaries or divisions, by reason of the Party or the Services hereunder, except as expressly provided in <u>Section 4.02</u>.

Section 10.02 Force Majeure. In case performance of any terms or provisions hereof shall be delayed or prevented, in whole or in part, because of or related to compliance with any Law or requirement of any national securities exchange, or because of riot, war, public disturbance, strike, labor dispute, fire, explosion, storm, flood, earthquake, pandemic, shortage of necessary equipment, materials or labor, or restrictions thereon or limitations upon the use thereof, delays in transportation, act of God or act of terrorism, in each case, that is not within the control of the Party whose performance is interfered with and which, by the exercise of reasonable diligence, such Party is unable to prevent, or for any other reason which is not within the control of such Party whose performance is interfered with and which, by the exercise of reasonable diligence, such Party is unable to prevent (each, a "Force Majeure Event"), then, upon prompt written notice stating the date and extent of such interference and the cause thereof by such Party to the other Party, such Party shall be excused from its obligations hereunder during the period such Force Majeure Event or its effects continue, and no liability shall attach against either Party on account thereof; provided, however, that the Party whose performance is interfered with promptly resumes the required performance upon the cessation of the Force Majeure Event or its effects. No Party shall be excused from performance if such Party fails to use commercially reasonable efforts to remedy the situation and remove the cause and effects of the Force Majeure Event.

Section 10.03 <u>Separation Agreement</u>. The Parties agree that, in the event of a conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the Separation Agreement with respect to the subject matter hereof, the terms of this Agreement shall govern.

Section 10.04 <u>Relationship of Parties</u>. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed or construed by the Parties or any third party as creating a relationship of principal and agent, partnership or joint venture between the Parties, between Service Providers and Service Recipients or with any individual providing Services, it being understood and agreed that no provision contained herein, and no act of any Party or members of their respective Groups, shall be deemed to create any relationship between the Parties or members of their respective Groups other than the relationship set forth herein. Each Party and each Service Provider shall act under this Agreement solely as an independent contractor and not as an agent or employee of any other Party or any of such Party's Affiliates.

Section 10.05 <u>Confidentiality.</u> Each Party hereby acknowledges that confidential Information of such Party or members of its Group may be exposed to employees and agents of the other Party or its Group who have a need to know such confidential Information as a result of, or in connection with, the activities contemplated by this Agreement. Each Party agrees, on behalf of itself and its Affiliates, that such Party's obligation (and the obligation of members of its Group) to use and keep confidential such Information of the other Party or its Group shall be governed by Section 7.09 of the Separation Agreement.

#### Section 10.06 Counterparts; Entire Agreement.

- (a) This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, all of which counterparts shall be considered one and the same agreement, and shall become effective when one or more counterparts have been signed by each Party and delivered to the other Party. This Agreement may be executed by facsimile or PDF signature and scanned and exchanged by electronic mail, and such facsimile or PDF signature or scanned and exchanged copies shall constitute an original for all purposes.
- (b) This Agreement, the Separation Agreement, the other Ancillary Agreements and the Exhibits and Schedules hereto and thereto contain the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersede all previous agreements, negotiations, discussions, writings, understandings, commitments and conversations with respect to such subject matter, and there are no agreements or understandings between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof other than those set forth or referred to herein or therein.

Section 10.07 Governing Law; Jurisdiction. Any disputes relating to, arising out of or resulting from this Agreement, including to its execution, performance, or enforcement, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the Laws of the State of Delaware, regardless of the Laws that might otherwise govern under applicable principles of conflicts of Laws thereof. Each Party irrevocably consents to the exclusive jurisdiction, forum and venue of the Delaware Court of Chancery (and if the Delaware Court of Chancery shall be unavailable, any Delaware State court or the federal court sitting in the State of Delaware) over any and all claims, disputes, controversies or disagreements between the Parties or any of their respective Affiliates, successors and assigns under or related to this Agreement or any of the transactions contemplated hereby, including their execution, performance or enforcement, whether in contract, tort or otherwise. Each of the Parties hereby agrees that it shall not assert and shall hereby waive any claim or right or defense that it is not subject to the jurisdiction of such courts, that the venue is improper, that the forum is inconvenient or any similar objection, claim or argument. Each Party agrees that a final judgment in any legal proceeding resolved in accordance with Article IX this Section 10.07, Section 10.08 and Section 10.09 shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by applicable Law.

Section 10.08 WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH PARTY HEREBY WAIVES ITS RIGHTS TO A JURY TRIAL OF ANY CLAIM OR CAUSE OF ACTION RELATING TO, ARISING OUT OF OR RESULTING FROM THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THEIR EXECUTION, PERFORMANCE OR ENFORCEMENT, WHETHER IN CONTRACT, TORT OR OTHERWISE. THE SCOPE OF THIS WAIVER IS INTENDED TO BE ALL-ENCOMPASSING OF ANY AND ALL DISPUTES THAT MAY BE FILED IN ANY COURT AND THAT RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS TRANSACTION, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, CONTRACT CLAIMS, TORT CLAIMS (INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE), BREACH OF DUTY CLAIMS AND ALL OTHER COMMON LAW AND STATUTORY CLAIMS. THIS SECTION HAS BEEN FULLY DISCUSSED BY

#### EACH OF THE PARTIES AND THESE PROVISIONS WILL NOT BE SUBJECT TO ANY EXCEPTIONS.

Section 10.09 Specific Performance. Subject to Article IX, in the event of any actual or threatened default in, or breach of, any of the terms, conditions and provisions of this Agreement, the affected Party shall have the right to specific performance and injunctive or other equitable relief of its rights under this Agreement, in addition to any and all other rights and remedies at Law or in equity, and all such rights and remedies shall be cumulative. The other Party shall not oppose the granting of such relief on the basis that money damages are an adequate remedy. The Parties agree that the remedies at Law for any breach or threatened breach hereof, including monetary damages, are inadequate compensation for any loss and that any defense in any action for specific performance that a remedy at Law would be adequate is waived. Any requirements for the securing or posting of any bond with such remedy are waived.

Section 10.10 <u>Assignability</u>. Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests or obligations under this Agreement shall be assigned, in whole or in part, by operation of Law or otherwise by either Party without the prior written consent of the other Party, except that each Party may assign any and all of its rights under this Agreement to one or more of its wholly owned Subsidiaries. Any purported assignment without such consent shall be void. Subject to the preceding sentences, this Agreement will be binding upon, inure to the benefit of, and be enforceable by, the Parties and their respective successors and assigns. Notwithstanding the foregoing, either Party may assign this Agreement without prior written consent in connection with (a) a merger transaction in which such Party is not the surviving entity and the surviving entity acquires or assumes all or substantially all of such Party's Assets, or (b) the sale of all or substantially all of such Party's Assets; provided, however, that the assignee or successor-in-interest expressly assumes in writing all of the obligations of the assigning Party under this Agreement, and the assigning Party provides written notice and evidence of such assignment, assumption or succession to the non-assigning Party. No assignment permitted by this Section 10.10 shall release the assigning Party from liability for the full performance of its obligations under this Agreement. Nothing in this Section 10.10 shall affect or impair a Service Provider's ability to delegate any or all of its obligations under this Agreement to one or more Affiliates or Sub-Contractors pursuant to Section 2.01(e).

Section 10.11 Third-Party Beneficiaries. Except for the indemnification rights under this Agreement of any Nuance Indemnitee or SpinCo Indemnitee in his, her or its respective capacities as such, (a) the provisions of this Agreement are solely for the benefit of the Parties hereto and are not intended to confer upon any Person except the Parties hereto any rights or remedies hereunder and (b) there are no third-party beneficiaries of this Agreement and this Agreement shall not provide any third person with any remedy, claim, liability, reimbursement, cause of action or other right in excess of those existing without reference to this Agreement.

Section 10.12 Notices. All notices or other communications under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be provided in the manner set forth in the Separation Agreement.

Section 10.13 <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this Agreement or the application thereof to any Person or circumstance is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be

invalid, void or unenforceable, the remaining provisions hereof, or the application of such provision to Persons or circumstances or in jurisdictions other than those as to which it has been held invalid or unenforceable, shall remain in full force and effect and shall in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated thereby, so long as the economic or legal substance of the transactions contemplated hereby is not affected in any manner materially adverse to either Party. Upon any such determination, any such provision, to the extent determined to be invalid, void or unenforceable, shall be deemed replaced by a provision that such court determines is valid and enforceable and that comes closest to expressing the intention of the invalid, void or unenforceable provision.

Section 10.14 <u>Headings</u>. The article, section and paragraph headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

Section 10.15 <u>Waivers of Default</u>. No failure or delay of any Party (or the applicable member of its Group) in exercising any right or remedy under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right or power, or any abandonment or discontinuance of steps to enforce such right or power, or any course of conduct, preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right or power. Waiver by any Party of any default by the other Party of any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver by the waiving Party of any subsequent or other default.

Section 10.16 <u>Amendments</u>. No provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed waived, amended, supplemented or modified by any Party, unless such waiver, amendment, supplement or modification is in writing and signed by the authorized representative of each Party.

Section 10.17 <u>Interpretation</u>. The rules of interpretation set forth in Section 12.17 of the Separation Agreement are incorporated by reference into this Agreement, *mutatis mutandis*.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

### NUANCE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By: /s/ Wendy Cassity

Name: Wendy Cassity

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Legal Officer

### CERENCE OPERATING COMPANY

By: /s/ Leanne Fitzgerald

Name: Leanne Fitzgerald

Title: Vice President and Secretary

### EMPLOYEE MATTERS AGREEMENT

By and Between

### NUANCE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

and

### CERENCE INC.

Dated as of September 30, 2019

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EMPLOYEE MATTERS AGREEMENT (this "<u>Agreement</u>"), dated as of September 30, 2019, by and between Nuance Communications, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Nuance</u>"), and Cerence Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>SpinCo</u>" and, together with Nuance, the "<u>Parties</u>").

#### RECITALS:

WHEREAS, the Parties have entered into the Separation and Distribution Agreement (the "Separation Agreement"), dated as of September 30, 2019, pursuant to which Nuance intends to effect the Distribution; and

WHEREAS, the Parties wish to set forth their agreements as to certain matters regarding employment, compensation, and employee benefits.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements, provisions, and covenants contained in this Agreement, the Parties, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:

## ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS

Section 1.01. <u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following meanings. All capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Separation Agreement unless otherwise indicated.

- "Aggregate Pre-Distribution Date Contributions" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.05.
- "Aggregate Pre-Distribution Date Disbursements" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.05.
- "Applicable 401(k) Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 9.01.
- "<u>Automatic Transfer Employees</u>" means those Transferring Employees whose employment transfers by operation of Law in connection with the transfer of a business or part of a business.

"Benefit Plan" means any plan, program, policy, agreement, arrangement, or understanding that is an employment, consulting, deferred compensation, executive compensation, incentive bonus or other bonus, employee pension, profit sharing, savings, retirement, supplemental retirement, stock option, stock purchase, stock appreciation right, restricted stock, restricted stock unit, deferred stock unit, other equity-based compensation, severance pay, retention, change in control, salary continuation, life, death benefit, health, hospitalization, workers' compensation, sick leave, vacation pay, disability or accident insurance, or other employee compensation or benefit plan, program, policy, agreement, arrangement, or understanding, including any "employee benefit plan" (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, whether or not subject to ERISA), sponsored or maintained by an entity or to which such entity is a party.

"Canceled Nuance Performance Stock Unit" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.05(a).

"COBRA" means the U.S. Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, as amended from time to time, and any applicable similar state or local laws.

- "Code" means the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- "Collective Bargaining Agreements" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.04.
- "<u>Delayed Transfer Date</u>" has the meaning set forth in <u>Section 2.03</u>.
- "Delayed Transfer Employee" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.03.

"<u>Destination Employer</u>" means, with respect to a Transferring Employee, (a) a member of the SpinCo Group or (b) a member of the Nuance Group, in either case to which such Transferring Employee transfers as of the Local Transfer Date or Delayed Transfer Date.

"Employment Taxes" means all fees, Taxes, social insurance payments, and similar contributions to a Governmental Authority or a fund of a Governmental Authority with respect to wages or other compensation of an employee or other service provider.

"ERISA" means the U.S. Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended from time to time.

"<u>Former Business</u>" means any terminated, divested, or discontinued business, operation, or property of either the Nuance Group, the SpinCo Group, any of their respective members, or any of their respective predecessors, in each case, prior to the Distribution.

"Former Nuance Employee" means a former employee of any member of the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group, any of their respective members, or any of their respective predecessors, in each case, prior to the Distribution, who is not a Former SpinCo Employee.

"Former SpinCo Employee" means each individual who, (a) as of the date of determination, is not employed by any member of the SpinCo Group, and (b) as of immediately prior to such individual's termination of employment (x) was employed by a member of the SpinCo Group or (y) dedicated all or substantially all of his or her employment services to the activities and operations of the SpinCo Business (excluding any employees providing services to the SpinCo Group pursuant to the TSA).

"<u>Local Agreement</u>" means an agreement describing the implementation of the matters described in this Agreement (including, without limitation, matters regarding employment, compensation, and employee benefits) with respect to Non-U.S. Employees in accordance with applicable non-U.S. Law in the custom of the applicable jurisdictions.

"Local Transfer Date" means (a) with respect to Canada, July 14, 2019, and (b) with respect to all other jurisdictions, the date agreed to by Nuance and SpinCo.

"Non-U.S. DC Plan" has the meaning set forth in Section 9.05.

"Non-U.S. Employees" has the meaning set forth in Section 12.02.

"Nuance 401(k) Plan" has the meaning set forth in Section 9.01.

"Nuance Benefit Plan" means any Benefit Plan sponsored, maintained, or, unless such Benefit Plan is exclusively sponsored or maintained by a member of the SpinCo Group, contributed to by any member of the Nuance Group or to which any member of the Nuance Group is a party.

"Nuance Employee" means (a) each individual who is an employee of any member of the Nuance Group as of immediately prior to or on the applicable Local Transfer Date, including any such individual who is not actively at work due to a leave of absence (including vacation, holiday, illness, injury, and short-term disability, and including, until such time as provided in <u>ARTICLE 7</u>,

any SpinCo LTD Employee) from which such employee is permitted to return to active employment in accordance with the Nuance Group's personnel policies, as in effect from time to time, or applicable Law, (b) each individual who becomes an active employee of any member of the Nuance Group following the applicable Local Transfer Date but, in each case of clauses (a) and (b), excluding any SpinCo Employee or Former SpinCo Employee, and (c) each individual who is intended by Nuance to be a Nuance Employee.

"Nuance Equity Conversion Ratio" means the quotient obtained by dividing (x) the Nuance Pre-Distribution Stock Value by (y) the Nuance Post-Distribution Stock Value, rounded to the nearest one thousandth of a cent.

"Nuance Equity Plans" means the 2000 Stock Plan, and the Amended and Restated Directors Stock Plan, each as amended from time to time, and any other stock option or stock incentive compensation plan or arrangement, including any equity award agreement, that is a Nuance Benefit Plan, as in effect as of the time relevant to the applicable provision of this Agreement.

"Nuance ESPP" means the Amended and Restated 1995 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

"Nuance Flexible Spending Account" means any flexible spending arrangement under any cafeteria plan qualifying under Section 125 of the Code that is a Nuance Benefit Plan.

"Nuance LTD Plan" means any long-term disability insurance plan that is a Nuance Benefit Plan.

"Nuance Option" means an option to purchase Nuance Common Stock that is outstanding as of immediately prior to the Distribution under any of the Nuance Equity Plans.

"Nuance Performance Stock Unit" means a performance stock unit award relating to Nuance Common Stock that is outstanding as of immediately prior to the Distribution under any of the Nuance Equity Plans.

"Nuance Post-Distribution Stock Value" means the official NASDAQ only "regular way" first trading price of Nuance Common Stock on the first trading day immediately following the Distribution Date.

"Nuance Pre-Distribution Stock Value" means the official NASDAQ only "regular way" closing price of Nuance Common Stock on the trading date immediately preceding the Distribution Date.

"Nuance Reimbursement Account Plan" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.05.

"Nuance Restricted Stock Unit" means a restricted stock unit award relating to Nuance Common Stock that is outstanding as of immediately prior to the Distribution under any of the Nuance Equity Plans.

"Nuance Welfare Plan" means each Welfare Plan that is a Nuance Benefit Plan.

- "Purchase Date" has the meaning set forth in the Nuance ESPP.
- "Purchase Period" has the meaning set forth in the Nuance ESPP.
- "SpinCo 401(k) Plan" has the meaning set forth in Section 9.01.
- "SpinCo Award Agreement" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.01.
- "SpinCo Benefit Plan" means any Benefit Plan sponsored, maintained, or, unless such Benefit Plan is exclusively sponsored or maintained by a member of the Nuance Group, contributed to by any member of the SpinCo Group or to which any member of the SpinCo Group is a party.
- "SpinCo Employee" means (a) each individual who is an employee of any member of the SpinCo Group as of immediately prior to or on the applicable Local Transfer Date, including any individual who is not actively at work due to a leave of absence (including vacation, holiday, illness, injury, and short-term disability, but excluding, until such time as provided in ARTICLE 7, any SpinCo LTD Employee) from which such employee is permitted to return to active employment in accordance with the SpinCo Group's personnel policies, as in effect from time to time, or applicable Law, (b) each individual who becomes an active employee of the SpinCo Group following the applicable Local Transfer Date but, in each case of clauses (a) and (b), excluding any Former SpinCo Employee, (c) each individual listed on Schedule 1.01(a) or listed in a Local Agreement as a SpinCo Employee, and (d) each individual who is intended by Nuance to be a SpinCo Employee; provided, however, that, unless otherwise required by applicable Law, each individual listed on Schedule 1.01(b) or listed in a Local Agreement as a Nuance Employee shall be a Nuance Employee for all purposes of this Agreement.
- "SpinCo Equity Conversion Ratio" means the quotient obtained by dividing (x) the Nuance Pre-Distribution Stock Value by (y) the SpinCo Stock Value, rounded to the nearest one thousandth of a cent.
  - "SpinCo Equity Incentive Plan" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.01.
  - "SpinCo ESPP" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.08.
  - "SpinCo Incentive Payments" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.01.
- "SpinCo LTD Employee" means each applicable employee of the SpinCo Group who, as of immediately prior to the applicable Local Transfer Date, is receiving long-term disability benefits under the Nuance LTD Plan.
  - "SpinCo Performance Stock Unit" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.05(b).
  - "SpinCo Reimbursement Account Plan" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.05.
  - "SpinCo Restricted Stock Unit" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.03(b).
- "SpinCo Stock Value" means the official NASDAQ only "regular way" first trading price of SpinCo Common Stock on the first trading day immediately following the Distribution Date.

"SpinCo Welfare Plans" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.01.

"Subsidiary" of any Person means any corporation or other organization whether incorporated or unincorporated of which at least a majority of the securities or interests having by the terms thereof ordinary voting power to elect at least a majority of the board of directors or others performing similar functions with respect to such corporation or other organization is directly or indirectly owned or controlled by such Person or by any one or more of its Subsidiaries, or by such Person and one or more of its Subsidiaries; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that, solely for purposes of this Agreement, SpinCo and its Subsidiaries shall not be considered Subsidiaries of Nuance (or members of the Nuance Group) prior to, on, or after the Distribution.

"<u>Taxes</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in the Tax Matters Agreement dated as of the date of this Agreement by and between Nuance and SpinCo.

"<u>Transferring Employee</u>" means (a) each SpinCo Employee who transfers to a member of the SpinCo Group and (b) each Nuance Employee who transfers to a member of the Nuance Group.

"Transfer of Undertakings" means the Transfers of Undertakings Directive 2001/23/EC of the European Council and any similar applicable Law.

"TSA" means the Transition Services Agreement dated as of the date of this Agreement by and between Nuance and SpinCo.

"<u>Welfare Plan</u>" means each Benefit Plan that provides life insurance, health care, dental care, accidental death and dismemberment insurance, disability, severance, vacation, or group welfare or fringe benefits.

"Welfare Plan Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.01.

"Workers' Compensation Claim Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.03.

"Workers' Compensation Event" means the event, injury, illness, or condition giving rise to a workers' compensation claim with respect to a SpinCo Employee or Former SpinCo Employee.

# ARTICLE 2 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

Section 2.01. <u>SpinCo Employees</u>. Except as provided in <u>Section 2.03</u>, all SpinCo Employees shall continue to be employees of the SpinCo Group immediately following the Local Transfer Date. The Parties agree that none of the transactions contemplated by the Separation Agreement or any of the Ancillary Agreements, including this Agreement, shall cause any SpinCo Employee, SpinCo LTD Employee, or Former SpinCo Employee to be deemed to have incurred a termination of employment or to be eligible to receive severance benefits solely as a result of the Distribution.

Section 2.02. <u>Prepositioning of Transferring Employees</u>. Effective on the Local Transfer Date or Delayed Transfer Date, and except as otherwise agreed by the Parties, the

applicable member of the SpinCo Group and the Nuance Group shall have taken such actions as are necessary to ensure (i) that each SpinCo Employee (other than any Former SpinCo Employee) is employed by a member of the SpinCo Group and (ii) that each Nuance Employee (other than any Former Nuance Employee) is employed by a member of the Nuance Group.

Section 2.03. <u>Delayed Transfer Employees</u>. To the extent that applicable Law or any arrangement with a Governmental Authority prevents the Parties from causing (a) any employee who is intended to be a SpinCo Employee to be employed by a member of the SpinCo Group as of immediately following the Local Transfer Date as contemplated by Section 2.01 or (b) any employee who is intended to be a Nuance Employee to be employed by a member of the Nuance Group as of immediately following the Local Transfer Date, or for any employees designated and agreed to by the Parties (each such employee, a "Delayed Transfer Employee"), the Parties shall use commercially reasonable efforts to ensure that (i) such Delayed Transfer Employee becomes employed by the Destination Employer at the earliest time permitted by applicable Law or such arrangement with a Governmental Authority (the "Delayed Transfer Date") and (ii) the Destination Employer receives the benefit of such Delayed Transfer Employee's services from and after the Local Transfer Date, including under the TSA or by entering into an employee leasing or similar arrangement. The term "Delayed Transfer Employee" shall also include (i) each employee who, following the Local Transfer Date, provides services to the SpinCo Group under the TSA and whose employment is intended by Nuance to transfer to the SpinCo Group following the completion of the applicable TSA service and (ii) each employee who, following the Local Transfer Date, provides services to the Nuance Group under the TSA and whose employment is intended by SpinCo to transfer to the Nuance Group following the completion of the applicable TSA service, and with respect to such Delayed Transfer Employees, the Parties shall use commercially reasonable efforts to ensure that such Delayed Transfer Employees become employed by the Destination Employer as soon as practicable following the completion of the applicable TSA service. From and after the commencement of a Delayed Transfer Employee's employment with the Destination Employer, such Delayed Transfer Employee shall be treated for all purposes of this Agreement, including Section 4.02, as if such Delayed Transfer Employee commenced employment with the Destination Employer as of the Local Transfer Date as contemplated by Section 2.01.

Section 2.04. <u>Collectively Bargained Employees</u>. All provisions contained in this Agreement providing for the treatment of compensation and benefits in connection with the Distribution shall apply equally to each employee who is covered by a collective bargaining, works council, or other labor union agreement, contract, or labor arrangement (collectively, "<u>Collective Bargaining Agreements</u>"), except to the extent that any such agreement specifically provides for the compensation or benefits contemplated by such provision and, in each such case, such agreement shall apply rather than the terms of this Agreement.

Section 2.05. <u>Collective Bargaining Agreements</u>. As of the Local Transfer Date, SpinCo shall, and shall cause the members of the SpinCo Group, as appropriate, to, adopt and assume each Collective Bargaining Agreement covering any of the SpinCo Employees in such jurisdiction immediately prior to the Local Transfer Date, subject to any agreed-upon changes required by the transition of such Collective Bargaining Agreement to SpinCo or by applicable Law, and to recognize the works councils, labor unions, and other employee representatives that are parties to such Collective Bargaining Agreements; <u>provided</u>, that any compensation or benefits that were, prior to the Local Transfer Date, provided to SpinCo Employees in such jurisdiction under the Collective Bargaining Agreements through the Nuance Benefit Plans shall, to the extent that such

compensation and benefits are still required to be provided under the Collective Bargaining Agreements on and after the Local Transfer Date, be provided as mutually agreed with such works councils, labor unions, and other employee representatives through the SpinCo Benefit Plans as set forth in this Agreement.

Section 2.06. Liabilities and Assets Generally. From and after the Local Transfer Date or such other date agreed by Nuance and SpinCo, except as expressly provided in this Agreement (or a Local Agreement) or as required under applicable Law, in each applicable jurisdiction (a) SpinCo and the SpinCo Group shall assume or retain, as applicable, and SpinCo hereby agrees to pay, perform, fulfill, and discharge, in due course in full, (i) all Liabilities with respect to the employment or termination of employment of all SpinCo Employees, Former SpinCo Employees, and their dependents and beneficiaries, and other service providers, to the extent arising, in whole or in part, in connection with or as a result of the performance of services to any member of the SpinCo Group and (ii) all other Liabilities expressly assigned to SpinCo or any member of the SpinCo Group under this Agreement, and (b) Nuance and the Nuance Group shall assume or retain, as applicable, and Nuance hereby agrees to pay, perform, fulfill, and discharge, in due course in full, (i) all Liabilities with respect to the employment or termination of employment of all Nuance Employees, Former Nuance Employees, and their dependents and beneficiaries, and other service providers, to the extent arising, in whole or in part, in connection with or as a result of the performance of services to any member of the Nuance Group and (ii) all other Liabilities expressly assigned to Nuance or any member of the Nuance Group under this Agreement. All assets held in trust to fund the Nuance Benefit Plans and all insurance policies funding the Nuance Benefit Plans shall be Nuance Assets, except to the extent explicitly provided otherwise in this Agreement or a Local Agreement.

Section 2.07. Benefit Plans. Except as otherwise explicitly provided in this Agreement or as may otherwise be provided in accordance with the TSA, as of the Local Transfer Date or such other date agreed by Nuance and SpinCo, each SpinCo Employee (and each of his or her respective dependents and beneficiaries) in the applicable jurisdiction shall cease active participation in, and each applicable member of the SpinCo Group shall cease to be a participating employer in, all Nuance Benefit Plans, and as of such time, SpinCo shall, or shall cause its Subsidiaries to, have in effect such corresponding SpinCo Benefit Plans as are necessary to comply with its obligations pursuant to this Agreement. Effective upon the Local Transfer Date or such other date agreed by Nuance and SpinCo, except as otherwise explicitly provided in this Agreement or a Local Agreement, (a) Nuance shall, or shall cause one or more members of the Nuance Group to, retain, pay, perform, fulfill, and discharge all Liabilities arising out of or relating to all Nuance Benefit Plans, and (b) SpinCo shall, or shall cause one of the members of the SpinCo Group to, retain, pay, perform, fulfill, and discharge all Liabilities arising out of or relating to all SpinCo Benefit Plans.

Section 2.08. <u>Payroll Services</u>. Except as may otherwise be provided in accordance with a Local Agreement or the TSA, on and after the Local Transfer Date or such other date agreed by Nuance and SpinCo, the applicable members of the SpinCo Group shall be solely responsible for providing payroll services to the SpinCo Employees and Former SpinCo Employees in the applicable jurisdiction.

Section 2.09. No Change in Control. The Parties hereto agree that none of the transactions contemplated by the Separation Agreement or any of the Ancillary Agreements,

including this Agreement, constitutes a "change in control," "change of control," or transaction having a similar name, as applicable, within the meaning of any Nuance Benefit Plan or SpinCo Benefit Plan.

Section 2.10. <u>Inadvertent Transfers</u>. If Nuance determines following the Distribution that an individual whom Nuance intended to be a Nuance Employee or a SpinCo Employee has inadvertently become employed by the SpinCo Group or the Nuance Group, respectively, the Parties shall cooperate in good faith and take such actions as may be reasonably necessary in order to cause the employment of such individual to be promptly transferred to a member of the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group, as applicable, as intended by Nuance, and such individual shall be treated for all purposes of this Agreement, including <u>Section 4.02</u>, as if such individual commenced employment with the intended employer as of the Local Transfer Date of the jurisdiction in which the individual is employed.

# ARTICLE 3 NON-EQUITY INCENTIVES

Section 3.01. SpinCo Employee Incentives. Unless otherwise provided for in an individual agreement with a SpinCo Employee to which Nuance is a party, on and after the Local Transfer Date, SpinCo shall assume and be solely responsible for all Liabilities with respect to any annual bonus or other cash-based incentive or retention awards under any Benefit Plan to any SpinCo Employee, SpinCo LTD Employee, or Former SpinCo Employee in the applicable jurisdiction, including, for the avoidance of doubt, any such awards with respect to the Nuance fiscal year ending prior to the Distribution (the "SpinCo Incentive Payments"). SpinCo shall be responsible for determining the amounts of all SpinCo Incentive Payments that have not been determined prior to the Local Transfer Date, including the extent to which established performance criteria (as interpreted by SpinCo, in its sole discretion) have been met, and shall pay all SpinCo Incentive Payments no later than the times provided for under the applicable Benefit Plan. For the avoidance of doubt, any determinations made prior to the Distribution regarding the amounts of any SpinCo Incentive Payments shall be subject to Nuance's prior written approval.

# ARTICLE 4 SERVICE CREDIT

Section 4.01. <u>Nuance Benefit Plans</u>. Except as may otherwise be provided in accordance with the TSA or as required by applicable Law or the terms of the applicable Nuance Benefit Plan, service of SpinCo Employees and Former SpinCo Employees in each applicable jurisdiction, on and after the Local Transfer Date, or such other date agreed by Nuance and SpinCo, with any member of the SpinCo Group or any other employer, as applicable, other than any member of the Nuance Group, shall not be taken into account for any purpose under any Nuance Benefit Plan.

Section 4.02. SpinCo Benefit Plans. Unless prohibited by applicable Law, SpinCo shall, and shall cause its Subsidiaries to, credit service accrued by each SpinCo Employee with, or otherwise recognized for purposes of any Benefit Plan by, any member of the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group on or prior to the Distribution for purposes of (a) eligibility, vesting, and benefit accrual under each SpinCo Benefit Plan under which service is relevant in determining eligibility, vesting, and benefit accrual, (b) determining the amount of severance payments and benefits (if any) payable under each SpinCo Benefit Plan that provides severance payments or benefits, and

(c) determining the number of vacation days to which each such employee shall be entitled following the applicable Welfare Plan Date, in the case of clauses (a), (b), and (c), (i) to the same extent recognized by the relevant members of the Nuance Group or SpinCo Group or the corresponding Nuance Benefit Plan or SpinCo Benefit Plan immediately prior to the later of the Distribution Date and the date on which such employee ceases participating in the applicable Nuance Benefit Plan in accordance with the TSA and (ii) except to the extent that such credit would result in a duplication of benefits for the same period of service.

Section 4.03. No Expansion of Participation. Unless otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, as otherwise determined or agreed to by the Parties, as required by applicable Law, or as explicitly set forth in a SpinCo Benefit Plan, each SpinCo Employee shall be entitled to participate in a given SpinCo Benefit Plan only to the extent that such SpinCo Employee was entitled to participate in the corresponding Nuance Benefit Plan as in effect immediately prior to the Local Transfer Date, with it being the intent of the Parties that this Agreement does not result in any expansion of the number of SpinCo Employees participating or the participation rights therein that they had prior to the applicable Local Transfer Date.

# ARTICLE 5 SEVERANCE

Section 5.01. <u>Severance</u>. The Nuance Group shall be solely responsible for all severance or other separation payments and benefits (including any termination indemnity or retirement indemnity plan) relating to the termination or alleged termination of any SpinCo Employee's or Former SpinCo Employee's employment which occurs prior to the Distribution Date. For the avoidance of doubt, such Liabilities shall include any employer-paid portion of any Employment Taxes and shall be treated as Liabilities of Nuance and the Nuance Group.

# ARTICLE 6 CERTAIN WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN MATTERS; WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS

Section 6.01. SpinCo Welfare Plans. Without limiting the generality of Section 2.07, effective as of the Local Transfer Date or such other date as agreed to between Nuance and SpinCo, which need not be the same for each Welfare Plan (such applicable date, the "Welfare Plan Date"), SpinCo shall establish Welfare Plans (collectively, the "SpinCo Welfare Plans") to provide welfare benefits to the SpinCo Employees (and their dependents and beneficiaries) in each applicable jurisdiction and, as of the applicable Welfare Plan Date, each SpinCo Employee (and his or her dependents and beneficiaries) shall cease active participation in the corresponding Nuance Welfare Plan. For the avoidance of doubt, for purposes of this ARTICLE 6, the term "SpinCo Employee" shall be deemed to include each Former SpinCo Employee who was receiving welfare benefits in connection with his or her termination of employment from a member of the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group as of the applicable Welfare Plan Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent that Nuance determines that the aforementioned provision of welfare benefits by SpinCo to a Former SpinCo Employee is not feasible, such Former SpinCo Employee may continue active participation in the corresponding Nuance Welfare Plan after the Welfare Plan Date, and SpinCo shall reimburse the Nuance Group for all Liabilities associated with such Former SpinCo Employee after the Welfare Plan Date.

Section 6.02. Allocation of Welfare Benefit Claims. (a) The members of the Nuance Group shall retain all Liabilities in accordance with the applicable Nuance Welfare Plan for all reimbursement claims (such as medical and dental claims) and for all non-reimbursement claims (such as life insurance claims), in each case, as incurred by SpinCo Employees and Former SpinCo Employees (and each of their respective dependents and beneficiaries) under such plans prior to the applicable Welfare Plan Date, and (b) the members of the SpinCo Group shall retain all Liabilities in accordance with the SpinCo Welfare Plans for all reimbursement claims (such as medical and dental claims) and for all non-reimbursement claims (such as life insurance claims), in each case, as incurred by SpinCo Employees and Former SpinCo Employees (and each of their respective dependents and beneficiaries) on or after the applicable Welfare Plan Date; provided, that SpinCo shall reimburse Nuance for Liabilities incurred under clause (a) between the Local Transfer Date and the applicable Welfare Plan Date. For purposes of this Section 6.02, a benefit claim shall be deemed to be incurred as follows: (i) for health, dental, vision, employee assistance program, and prescription drug benefits (including in respect of any hospital admission), upon the provision of such services, materials, or supplies; and (ii) for life, accidental death and dismemberment, and business travel accident insurance benefits, upon the death, cessation of employment, or other event by Nuance giving rise to such benefits.

Section 6.03. Workers' Compensation Claims. In the case of any workers' compensation claim of any SpinCo Employee or Former SpinCo Employee in respect of his or her employment with the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group, such claim shall be covered (a) by the Nuance Group's workers' compensation coverage if the Workers' Compensation Event occurred prior to the applicable Local Transfer Date, (b) by the SpinCo Group's workers' compensation coverage for the applicable jurisdiction if the Workers' Compensation Event occurs on or after the applicable Local Transfer Date and the related claim is submitted after the date on which SpinCo has established workers' compensation coverage (the "Workers' Compensation Claim Date"), and (c) under the Nuance Group's workers' compensation coverage if the Workers' Compensation Event occurs on or after the applicable Local Transfer Date and the related claim is submitted prior to the Workers' Compensation Claim Date; provided, that SpinCo shall reimburse Nuance for Liabilities actually incurred by Nuance under clause (c) between the Local Transfer Date and the applicable Workers' Compensation Claim Date. If the Workers' Compensation Event occurs over a period both preceding and following the Local Transfer Date, the claim shall be jointly covered under the Nuance Group's workers' compensation coverage and shall be equitably apportioned between them based upon the relative periods of time that the Workers' Compensation Event transpired preceding and following the Local Transfer Date; provided, that if a claim in respect of such Workers' Compensation Event is submitted prior to the Workers' Compensation Claim Date, then such claim shall be covered under the Nuance Group's workers' compensation coverage and SpinCo shall appropriately reimburse Nuance, in accordance with clause (c) above.

Section 6.04. <u>COBRA</u>. If (a) a SpinCo Employee or Former SpinCo Employee (or his or her eligible dependents) was receiving, prior to the applicable Welfare Plan Date, or is eligible to receive, on or following the applicable Welfare Plan Date, continuation health coverage pursuant to COBRA, SpinCo and the SpinCo Welfare Plans shall be responsible for all Liabilities to such employee (or his or her eligible dependents) in respect of COBRA. SpinCo shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the members of the Nuance Group from and against any and all Liabilities relating to, arising out of, or resulting from COBRA provided by SpinCo, or the failure of SpinCo to meet its COBRA obligations, to SpinCo Employees, Former SpinCo Employees, and their respective eligible dependents.

Section 6.05. Flexible Spending Accounts. Effective as of the applicable Welfare Plan Date, SpinCo shall have established a health care and dependent care reimbursement account plan (the "SpinCo Reimbursement Account Plan") with features that are comparable to those contained in the relevant health care and dependent care reimbursement account plan sponsored and maintained by Nuance (the "Nuance Reimbursement Account <u>Plan</u>"). With respect to applicable SpinCo Employees, effective as of the applicable Welfare Plan Date, SpinCo shall assume responsibility for administering all reimbursement claims of SpinCo Employees with respect to the plan year in which the applicable Welfare Plan Date occurs, whether arising before, on, or after the applicable Welfare Plan Date, under the SpinCo Reimbursement Account Plan and, for the avoidance of doubt, on and after the applicable Welfare Plan Date, no additional claims shall be reimbursed with respect to SpinCo Employees under the Nuance Reimbursement Account Plan, Nuance shall, as soon as practicable following the applicable Welfare Plan Date, determine (i) the sum of all contributions to the Nuance Reimbursement Account Plan made with respect to such plan year by or on behalf of all SpinCo Employees, as a whole, prior to the applicable Welfare Plan Date (the "Aggregate Pre-Distribution Date Contributions") and (ii) the sum of all claims incurred in such plan year and paid by the Nuance Reimbursement Account Plan with respect to such SpinCo Employees, as a whole, prior to the applicable Welfare Plan Date (the "Aggregate Pre-Distribution Date Disbursements"). If the Aggregate Pre-Distribution Date Contributions exceed the Aggregate Pre-Distribution Date Disbursements, Nuance shall, as soon as practicable following Nuance's determination of the Aggregate Pre- Distribution Date Contributions and Aggregate Pre-Distribution Date Disbursements, transfer to SpinCo an amount in cash equal to such difference. If the Aggregate Pre-Distribution Date Disbursements exceed the Aggregate Pre-Distribution Date Contributions, SpinCo shall, upon Nuance's reasonable request and the presentation of such substantiating documentation as SpinCo shall reasonably request, transfer to Nuance an amount in cash equal to such difference.

Section 6.06. Continuation of Elections. With respect to applicable SpinCo Employees, as of the applicable Welfare Plan Date, SpinCo shall cause the SpinCo Welfare Plans to recognize and maintain all elections and designations (including, without limitation, all coverage and contribution elections and beneficiary designations) made by SpinCo Employees under, or with respect to, the Nuance Welfare Plans and apply such elections and designations under the SpinCo Welfare Plans for the remainder of the period or periods for which such elections or designations are by their original terms applicable, to the extent that such election or designation is available under the corresponding SpinCo Welfare Plan. As of the applicable Welfare Plan Date, SpinCo shall cause any SpinCo Welfare Plan that constitutes a cafeteria plan under Section 125 of the Code to recognize and give effect to all non-elective employer contributions payable and paid toward coverage of a SpinCo Employee under the corresponding Nuance Welfare Plan that constitutes a cafeteria plan under Section 125 of the Code for the applicable cafeteria plan year.

Section 6.07. <u>Insurance Contracts</u>. To the extent that any Nuance Welfare Plan is funded through the purchase of an insurance contract or is subject to any stop-loss contract, the Parties shall cooperate and use their commercially reasonable efforts to replicate such insurance contracts for SpinCo (except to the extent that changes are required under applicable state insurance Laws or filings by the respective insurers) and to maintain any pricing discounts or other preferential terms for both Nuance and SpinCo for a reasonable term. Neither Party shall be liable for failure to

obtain such insurance contracts, pricing discounts, or other preferential terms for the other Party. Each Party shall be responsible for any additional premiums, charges, or administrative fees that such Party may incur pursuant to this <u>Section 6.07</u>.

Section 6.08. Third-Party Vendors. Except as provided below, to the extent that any Nuance Welfare Plan is administered by a third-party vendor, the Parties shall cooperate and use their commercially reasonable efforts to replicate any contract with such third-party vendor for SpinCo and to maintain any pricing discounts or other preferential terms for both Nuance and SpinCo for a reasonable term. Neither Party shall be liable for failure to obtain such pricing discounts or other preferential terms for the other Party. Each Party shall be responsible for any additional premiums, charges, or administrative fees that such Party may incur pursuant to this Section 6.08.

## ARTICLE 7 LONG-TERM DISABILITY EMPLOYEES

Section 7.01. <u>SpinCo LTD Employees</u>. Notwithstanding any provisions of this Agreement to the contrary, the terms and conditions of employment related to SpinCo LTD Employees, including issues related to Benefit Plans, shall be as set forth on <u>Schedule 7.01</u>.

# ARTICLE 8 DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

Section 8.01. <u>Non-U.S. Pension Plans</u>. Liabilities for vested and unvested benefits relating to SpinCo Employees and Former SpinCo Employees, under each non-U.S. defined benefit pension plan sponsored by Nuance or a member of the Nuance Group or SpinCo or a member of the SpinCo Group shall be addressed as set forth on <u>Schedule 8.01</u>.

# ARTICLE 9 DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLANS

Section 9.01. <u>SpinCo 401(k) Plan</u>. Effective as of a date no later than the Distribution Date (the "<u>Applicable 401(k) Date</u>"), SpinCo shall establish a defined contribution plan that includes a qualified cash or deferred arrangement within the meaning of Section 401(k) of the Code (the "<u>SpinCo 401(k) Plan</u>") providing benefits to the SpinCo Employees participating in any qualified cash or deferred arrangement within the meaning of Section 401(k) of the Code sponsored by any member of the Nuance Group (collectively, the "<u>Nuance 401(k) Plan</u>") as of the Distribution.

Section 9.02. 401(k) Plan-to-Plan Transfer. As of a date determined by Nuance and SpinCo following the Applicable 401(k) Date (the "Transfer Date"), Nuance will cause the transfer of an amount representing the entire account balances (including outstanding loans) of the SpinCo Employees actively employed as of the Transfer Date who participated in the Nuance 401(k) Plan immediately prior to the Transfer Date determined as of the plan valuation date coinciding with or next preceding the Transfer Date, together with the actual return thereon from such valuation date to the Transfer Date, to the trustee of the SpinCo 401(k) Plan.

Section 9.03. <u>Employer 401(k) Plan Contributions</u>. The Nuance Group shall remain responsible for making all employer contributions under the Nuance 401(k) Plan with respect to any SpinCo Employees or Former SpinCo Employees relating to periods prior to the Applicable

401(k) Date; <u>provided</u>, that, prior to the Transfer Date, the Nuance Group shall make all employer contributions with respect to such SpinCo Employee or Former SpinCo Employee required under the Nuance 401(k) Plan for periods of time prior to the Applicable 401(k) Date. On and after the Applicable 401(k) Date, the SpinCo Group shall be responsible for all employer contributions under the SpinCo 401(k) Plan with respect to any SpinCo Employees or Former SpinCo Employees.

Section 9.04. <u>Limitation of Liability</u>. For the avoidance of doubt, Nuance shall have no responsibility for any failure of SpinCo to properly administer the SpinCo 401(k) Plan in accordance with its terms and applicable Law, including any failure to properly administer the accounts of SpinCo Employees and their respective beneficiaries, including accounts transferred over in accordance with <u>Section 9.02</u>, in such SpinCo 401(k) Plan.

Section 9.05. Non-U.S. Defined Contribution Plans. Except as otherwise provided on Schedule 9.05, the treatment of each Nuance Benefit Plan that is a defined contribution plan for the benefit of employees outside of the United States and in which any SpinCo Employee, SpinCo LTD Employee, or Former SpinCo Employee participates (each, a "Non-U.S. DC Plan") shall be governed by the applicable Local Agreement; provided, that if a Local Agreement does not address the treatment of an applicable Non-U.S. DC Plan, then Nuance and SpinCo shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause such Non-U.S. DC Plan to be treated in a manner that is consistent with applicable Law and, to the extent practicable, the general principles of this ARTICLE 9.

### ARTICLE 10 ACCRUED LEAVE

Section 10.01. <u>Vacation, Holidays, Annual Leave, and Other Leaves</u>. On the applicable Welfare Plan Date, the SpinCo Group shall assume and be solely responsible for all Liabilities for vacation, holiday, annual leave, and/or other leave accruals and benefits with respect to each SpinCo Employee; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that (a) for purposes of determining the number of vacation, holiday, annual leave, or other leave days to which such employee shall be entitled following the applicable Welfare Plan Date, SpinCo and its Subsidiaries shall assume and honor all such days accrued or earned but not yet taken by such employee, if any, as of the applicable Welfare Plan Date, and (b) to the extent that such employee is entitled under any applicable Law or any policy of his or her respective employer that is a member of the Nuance Group, as the case may be, to be paid for any vacation, holiday, annual leave, or other leave days accrued or earned but not yet taken by such employee as of the applicable Welfare Plan Date, SpinCo shall assume and be solely responsible for the Liability to pay for such days.

# ARTICLE 11 EQUITY COMPENSATION

Section 11.01. <u>SpinCo Equity Incentive Plan</u>. Prior to the Distribution, Nuance shall cause SpinCo to adopt an equity incentive plan or program, to be effective immediately prior to the Distribution (the "<u>SpinCo Equity Incentive Plan</u>"), and Nuance shall approve the SpinCo Equity Incentive Plan and a form of restricted stock unit award agreement for use thereunder (the "<u>SpinCo Award Agreement</u>") as the sole stockholder of SpinCo.

Section 11.02. <u>Treatment of Outstanding Nuance Options</u>. Each Nuance Option shall be adjusted effective as of the Distribution as follows: (i) the number of shares of Nuance Common Stock subject to each such Nuance Option shall be equal to the product of (x) the number

of shares of Nuance Common Stock subject to such Nuance Option immediately prior to the Distribution and (y) the Nuance Equity Conversion Ratio, with any fractional shares subject to each such Nuance Option following such adjustment rounded down to the nearest whole share and (ii) the per-share exercise price of each such Nuance Option shall be equal to the quotient of (x) the per-share exercise price of such Nuance Option immediately prior to the Distribution divided by (y) the Nuance Equity Conversion Ratio, rounded up to the nearest whole cent. Such adjustment shall be determined in a manner consistent with the requirements of Sections 409 and 424 of the Code and the regulations thereunder, to the extent applicable. Following the Distribution, each such Nuance Option, as adjusted in accordance with this Section 11.02, shall remain outstanding and subject to its respective terms and provisions.

### Section 11.03. Treatment of Outstanding Nuance Restricted Stock Units Held by SpinCo Employees.

- (a) Each Nuance Restricted Stock Unit held by a SpinCo Employee as of immediately prior to Distribution that is scheduled to vest in accordance with its terms on or before November 30, 2019, shall vest in full as of immediately prior to the Distribution, subject in all events to the occurrence of the Distribution.
- (b) Each Nuance Restricted Stock Unit that is outstanding and held by a SpinCo Employee as of immediately prior to the Distribution that is scheduled to vest in accordance with its terms after November 30, 2019, shall be forfeited in accordance with its terms as of the Distribution (as a result of the SpinCo Employee's termination of employment with Nuance and its Subsidiaries) or otherwise canceled. On or as soon as reasonably practicable following the Distribution Date, subject to the SpinCo Employee's continued employment with a member of the SpinCo Group, each SpinCo Employee whose Nuance Restricted Stock Units were forfeited or canceled in connection with the Distribution shall be granted restricted stock units to be settled in SpinCo Common Stock ("SpinCo Restricted Stock Units") issued under the SpinCo Equity Incentive Plan and shall be subject to terms and conditions of the SpinCo Equity Incentive Plan and a restricted stock unit award agreement substantially in the form of the SpinCo Award Agreement. The number of SpinCo Restricted Stock Units that will be granted to each such SpinCo Employee shall be no fewer than the product of (x) the number of Nuance Restricted Stock Units held by such SpinCo Employee immediately prior to the Distribution that were forfeited or canceled in accordance with this Section 11.03(b) and (y) the SpinCo Equity Conversion Ratio, with any fractional shares (after aggregating all such SpinCo Restricted Stock Units) rounded down to the nearest whole share.

Section 11.04. Treatment of Outstanding Nuance Restricted Stock Units Held by Individuals Other Than SpinCo Employees. Each Nuance Restricted Stock Unit not covered by Section 11.02 shall be adjusted as of the Distribution Date into a number of Nuance Restricted Stock Units equal to the product of (x) the number of Nuance Restricted Stock Units subject to the award immediately prior to the Distribution and (y) the Nuance Equity Conversion Ratio, with any fractional shares subject to each such Nuance Restricted Stock Unit following such adjustment rounded down to the nearest whole share. Following the Distribution, each such Nuance Restricted Stock Unit, as adjusted in accordance with this Section 11.04, shall remain outstanding and subject to its respective terms and provisions.

#### Section 11.05. Treatment of Outstanding Nuance Performance Stock Units Held by SpinCo Employees.

- (a) Each Nuance Performance Stock Unit held by a SpinCo Employee as of immediately prior to the Distribution that is scheduled to vest based on relative total shareholder return metrics to be measured as of November 6, 2019 (each, a "Canceled Nuance Performance Stock Unit"), shall be forfeited in accordance with its terms as of the Distribution (as a result of the SpinCo Employee's termination of employment with Nuance and its Subsidiaries) or otherwise canceled, and in consideration of such forfeiture or cancellation, each SpinCo Employee whose Nuance Restricted Stock Units were forfeited in connection with the Distribution shall be granted the right to receive from SpinCo a cash payment equal to the product of (x) the number of shares of Nuance Common Stock that would have been earned in respect of such Nuance Performance Stock Unit had such forfeiture or cancellation not occurred (as adjusted as if such Nuance Performance Stock Units remained outstanding in accordance with Section 11.06 below), as determined by the Compensation Committee of Nuance as soon as reasonably practicable following November 6, 2019, pursuant to the terms of the Nuance Performance Stock Unit as in effect immediately prior to such forfeiture or cancellation, multiplied by (y) the closing price of Nuance Common Stock on the day prior to the Distribution Date. SpinCo shall assume all Liabilities with respect to the cash payment obligation described in this Section 11.05(a), and shall pay such amounts as soon as practicable, but in no event more than thirty (30) days, following Nuance's delivering to SpinCo its determination of the extent to which the applicable performance criteria were achieved. For the avoidance of doubt, if a SpinCo Employee's employment terminates prior to the payment of the cash payment contemplated by this Section 11.05(a) in respect of his or her Canceled Nuance Performance Stock Unit under circumstances that would have caused a forfeiture of the Nuance Performance Stock Unit as in effect immediately prior to its
- (b) Each Nuance Performance Stock Unit held by a SpinCo Employee as of immediately prior to the Distribution that is scheduled to vest based on relative total shareholder return metrics to be measured after November 6, 2019, shall be forfeited in accordance with its terms as of the Distribution (as a result of the SpinCo Employee's termination of employment with Nuance and its Subsidiaries) or otherwise canceled. On or as soon as reasonably practicable following the Distribution Date, each SpinCo Employee whose Nuance Performance Stock Units were so forfeited or canceled in connection with the Distribution shall be granted SpinCo Restricted Stock Units issued under the SpinCo Equity Incentive Plan and shall be subject to terms and conditions of the SpinCo Equity Incentive Plan and a restricted stock unit award agreement substantially in the form of the SpinCo Award Agreement. The number of SpinCo Restricted Stock Units to which a SpinCo Employee is entitled pursuant to this Section 11.05(b) shall equal the product of (x) the number of Nuance Performance Stock Units that were forfeited or canceled in accordance with this Section 11.05(b) (measured assuming achievement of target performance) and (y) the SpinCo Equity Conversion Ratio, with any fractional shares (after aggregating all such SpinCo Performance Stock Units) rounded down to the nearest whole share.

Section 11.06. <u>Treatment of Outstanding Nuance Performance Stock Units Held by Individuals Other Than SpinCo Employees</u>. Each Nuance Performance Stock Unit not covered by <u>Section 11.05</u> shall be adjusted as of the Distribution into a number of Nuance Performance Stock Units equal to the product of (x) the number of Nuance Performance Stock Units subject to the award immediately prior to the Distribution and (y) the Nuance Equity Conversion Ratio, with any

fractional shares subject to each such Nuance Performance Stock Unit award following such adjustment rounded down to the nearest whole share. The Compensation Committee of Nuance shall make equitable adjustments to the performance goals for such Nuance Performance Stock Units to reflect the Distribution as it deems appropriate under the terms of the Nuance Equity Plans.

Section 11.07. Nuance ESPP. The administrator of the Nuance ESPP shall take all actions necessary and appropriate to provide that (i) SpinCo Employees in the Nuance ESPP shall not be eligible to participate in any future Purchase Periods that begin following the Distribution Date and (ii) any cash remaining in the Nuance ESPP account of any SpinCo Employee after the Distribution shall be refunded to such SpinCo Employee without interest as soon as administratively practicable.

Section 11.08. <u>Establishment of the SpinCo ESPP</u>. Prior to the Distribution, Nuance shall cause SpinCo to adopt an employee stock purchase plan, to be effective immediately prior to the Distribution (the "<u>SpinCo ESPP</u>"), and Nuance shall approve the SpinCo ESPP as the sole stockholder of SpinCo.

Section 11.09. Tax Reporting and Withholding for Equity-Based Awards. Unless otherwise required by applicable Law, (a) Nuance (or one of its Subsidiaries) will be responsible for all income, payroll, fringe benefit, social security, payment-on-account, and other Tax reporting relating to income of or otherwise owed by Nuance Employees, Former Nuance Employees, or Former SpinCo Employees from equity-based awards granted to such employees by Nuance and, with respect to awards subject to Section 11.03(a), SpinCo Employees, (b) SpinCo (or one of its Subsidiaries) will be responsible for all income, payroll, fringe benefit, social, payment-on-account, and other Tax reporting related to or otherwise owed on income of SpinCo Employees from SpinCo equity-based awards described in this ARTICLE 11 and the cash payment described in Section 11.05(a), (c) Nuance (or one of its Subsidiaries) shall be responsible for remitting applicable Tax withholdings and related payments for equity awards granted by Nuance and held by Nuance Employees, Former SpinCo Employees, and with respect to awards subject to Section 11.03(a), SpinCo Employees, to each applicable taxing authority, and (d) SpinCo (or one of its Subsidiaries) shall be responsible for remitting applicable Tax withholdings and related payments for SpinCo equity awards described in this ARTICLE 11 and the cash payment described in Section 11.05(a) to each applicable taxing authority. In all cases, Nuance and SpinCo (and any applicable Nuance Subsidiary and SpinCo Subsidiary) agree to cooperate to ensure that such obligations are met. Nuance and SpinCo agree to enter into any necessary agreements regarding the subject matter of this Section 11.09 to enable Nuance and SpinCo (and any applicable Nuance and SpinCo Subsidiaries) to fulfill their respective obligations hereunder and under applicable Law.

Nuance will be responsible for all income, payroll, fringe benefit, social security, payment-on account, and other Tax reporting relating to or otherwise owed on income of its nonemployee directors arising from equity-based awards granted by Nuance.

Section 11.10. <u>Nuance and SpinCo Income Tax Deductions in Respect of Certain Equity Awards and Compensation</u>. Unless otherwise required by applicable Law, solely the member of the Group for which the relevant individual is currently employed or, if such individual is not currently employed by a member of the Group, was most recently employed, in either case, at the time of the vesting, exercise, disqualifying disposition, payment or other relevant taxable event, as appropriate, in respect of equity awards and other compensation shall be entitled to claim any

income tax deduction in respect of such equity awards and other compensation on its respective tax return associated with such event; <u>provided</u>, that, notwithstanding the foregoing, Nuance (or the applicable member of the Nuance Group) shall be entitled to claim any income tax deduction associated with the exercise of any Nuance Option covered by <u>Section 11.02</u>.

Section 11.11. <u>Compliance</u>. For purposes of this <u>ARTICLE 11</u>, and notwithstanding the use of the phrase "substantially similar" or anything else to the contrary throughout this article, Nuance and SpinCo reserves the right to impose other requirements or different terms and conditions on the any Nuance or SpinCo equity awards and SpinCo stock incentive compensation plans, or to treat the equity awards in a different manner, to the extent that either of them determines it is necessary or advisable for legal or administrative reasons, including for compliance with non-U.S. laws and regulations and to mitigate the potential impact of non-U.S. tax consequences on the equity awards.

### ARTICLE 12 NON-U.S. EMPLOYEES

#### Section 12.01. Transfer of Non-U.S. Employees.

- (a) Automatic Transfer Employees shall not be terminated upon the Local Transfer Date or Delayed Transfer Date, as applicable; rather, such employees and the rights, powers, duties, liabilities, and obligations of the current employer with respect to such employees in respect of the terms of employment with the employees in force immediately before the applicable Local Transfer Date or Delayed Transfer Date, as applicable, shall be transferred to the applicable Destination Employer but only to the extent required by, and only then in accordance with, applicable Law.
- (b) For Non-U.S. Employees who are not Automatic Transfer Employees, the Destination Employer shall offer employment to each such employee effective on the applicable Local Transfer Date, or, if applicable, the Delayed Transfer Date, or as otherwise agreed between Nuance and SpinCo, (a) at the employee's same general location, and (b) with same base salary as is in effect immediately prior to the Local Transfer Date or, if applicable, the Delayed Transfer Date, and (c) otherwise on terms and conditions that are substantially similar terms and conditions in the aggregate as those that were in effect immediately prior to the Local Transfer Date or, if applicable, the Delayed Transfer Date.
- Section 12.02. <u>Treatment of Non-U.S. Employees</u>. Except as otherwise agreed by the Parties or as set forth in this Agreement or a Local Agreement, Nuance Employees and SpinCo Employees who reside outside of the United States or are otherwise subject to non-U.S. Law ("<u>Non-U.S. Employees</u>") and their related benefits and Liabilities shall be treated under this Agreement in the same manner as the Nuance Employees and SpinCo Employees, respectively, who are residents of the United States and are not subject to non-U.S. Law; <u>provided</u>, that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, all actions taken with respect to such Non-U.S. Employees shall be subject to and accomplished in accordance with applicable Law in the custom of the applicable jurisdictions and may be effectuated by implementation of a Local Agreement. In the case of a conflict between the terms and provisions of this Agreement and a Local Agreement, the terms and provisions of such Local Agreement shall control.

### ARTICLE 13 COOPERATION; ACCESS TO INFORMATION; LITIGATION; CONFIDENTIALITY

Section 13.01. <u>Cooperation</u>. Following the date of this Agreement, the Parties shall, and shall cause their respective Subsidiaries to, use commercially reasonable efforts to cooperate with respect to any employee compensation or benefits matters that either Party reasonably determines require the cooperation of the other Party in order to accomplish the objectives of this Agreement. Without limiting the generality of the preceding sentence, (a) Nuance, SpinCo, and their respective Subsidiaries shall cooperate in connection with any audits of any Benefit Plan with respect to which such Party may have Information, (b) Nuance, SpinCo, and their respective Subsidiaries shall cooperate in connection with any audits of their respective payroll services (whether by a Governmental Authority in the United States or otherwise) in connection with the services provided by one Party to the other Party, and (c) Nuance, SpinCo, and their respective Subsidiaries shall cooperate in good faith in connection with the notification and consultation with labor unions and other employee representatives of employees of the Nuance Group and the SpinCo Group. With respect to each Benefit Plan, the obligations of the Nuance Group and the SpinCo Group to cooperate pursuant to this <u>Section 13.01</u> or any other provision of this Agreement shall remain in effect until the latest of (i) the date on which all audits of such Benefit Plan with respect to which a Party may have Information have been completed, (ii) the date the applicable statute of limitations with respect to such audits has expired, and (iii) the date on which the Nuance Group discharges all obligations to SpinCo Employees, Former SpinCo Employees, and their respective beneficiaries under such Benefit Plan.

Section 13.02. <u>Access to Information; Privilege; Confidentiality</u>. Except as would be inconsistent with <u>Section 13.01</u> or any other provision of this Agreement relating to cooperation, Article VII of the Separation Agreement is hereby incorporated into this Agreement *mutatis mutandis*.

#### ARTICLE 14 TERMINATION

Section 14.01. <u>Termination</u>. This Agreement may be terminated by Nuance at any time, in its sole discretion, prior to the Distribution; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that this Agreement shall automatically terminate upon the termination of the Separation Agreement in accordance with its terms.

Section 14.02. <u>Effect of Termination</u>. In the event of any termination of this Agreement prior to the Distribution, none of the Parties (or any of its directors or officers) shall have any Liability or further obligation to any other Party under this Agreement.

### ARTICLE 15 MISCELLANEOUS

Section 15.01. <u>Incorporation of Indemnification Provisions of Separation Agreement</u>. In addition to the specific indemnification provisions in this Agreement, Article VI of the Separation Agreement is hereby incorporated into this Agreement *mutatis mutandis*.

Section 15.02. Additional Indemnification. If the Parties determine that SpinCo is unable to establish any SpinCo Benefit Plan as of the applicable Local Transfer Date (or the applicable Welfare Plan Date, if applicable) that it is required under this Agreement to establish by such date, then SpinCo shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless each of the Nuance Indemnitees from and against any and all Liabilities of the Nuance Indemnitees relating to, arising out of, or resulting from participation by any SpinCo Employee, SpinCo LTD Employee, or Former SpinCo Employee on or after the applicable Local Transfer Date (or the applicable Welfare Plan Date) in any such Nuance Benefit Plan due to the failure to timely establish such SpinCo Benefit Plan or Plans. In addition, SpinCo shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless each of the Nuance Indemnitees from and against any and all Liabilities of the Nuance Indemnities relating to, arising out of, or resulting from any claim by any SpinCo Employee, SpinCo LTD Employee, or Former SpinCo Employee that Nuance or any other member of the Nuance Group is a "joint employer" or "co-employer" (or term of similar meaning under applicable Law) with SpinCo or any other member of the SpinCo Group of any such SpinCo Employee, SpinCo LTD Employee, or Former SpinCo Employee on or after the Distribution Date (including, except as otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement or the TSA, with respect to a claim that any of the foregoing are entitled to participate in any Nuance Benefit Plan at any time on or after the Distribution Date).

Section 15.03. Further Assurances. Article IX of the Separation Agreement is hereby incorporated into this Agreement *mutatis mutandis*.

Section 15.04. <u>Administration</u>. SpinCo hereby acknowledges that Nuance has provided or will provide administration services for certain SpinCo Benefit Plans, and SpinCo agrees to assume responsibility for the administration and administration costs of such plans and each other SpinCo Benefit Plan. The Parties shall cooperate in good faith to complete such transfer of responsibility on commercially reasonable terms and conditions effective no later than the Distribution or the applicable Welfare Plan Date or Workers' Compensation Claim Date.

Section 15.05. <u>Third-Party Beneficiaries</u>. Except as otherwise may be provided in the Separation Agreement with respect to the rights of any Nuance Indemnitee or SpinCo Indemnitee, (a) the provisions of this Agreement are solely for the benefit of the Parties and are not intended to confer any rights or remedies hereunder upon any Person except the Parties and (b) there are no third-party beneficiaries of this Agreement, and this Agreement shall not provide any third party with any remedy, claim, liability, reimbursement, cause of action, or other right.

Section 15.06. <u>Employment Tax Reporting Responsibility</u>. To the extent applicable, the Parties hereby agree to follow the alternate procedure for U.S. employment tax withholding as provided in Section 5 of Rev. Proc. 2004-53, I.R.B. 2004-35.

Section 15.07. <u>Data Privacy</u>. The Parties agree that any applicable data privacy Laws and any other obligations of the SpinCo Group and the Nuance Group to maintain the confidentiality of any Information relating to employees in accordance with applicable Law shall govern the disclosure of Information relating to employees among the Parties under this Agreement. Nuance and SpinCo shall ensure that they each have in place appropriate technical and organizational security measures to protect the personal data of the SpinCo Employees and Former SpinCo Employees. Additionally, each Party shall sign any documentation as may be required to comply with applicable data privacy Laws.

Section 15.08. Section 409A. Nuance and SpinCo shall cooperate in good faith and use reasonable best efforts to ensure that the transactions contemplated by the Separation Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements, including this Agreement, will not result in adverse tax consequences under Section 409A of the Code to any Nuance Employee, Former Nuance Employee, SpinCo Employee, or Former SpinCo Employee (or any of their respective beneficiaries), in respect of their respective benefits under any Benefit Plan.

#### Section 15.09. Confidentiality.

- (a) Each of Nuance and SpinCo, on behalf of itself and each Person in its respective Group, shall, and shall cause its respective directors, officers, employees, agents, accountants, counsel, and other advisors and representatives to, hold in strict confidence and not release or disclose, with at least the same degree of care, that it applies to its own confidential and proprietary Information pursuant to policies in effect as of the Distribution, but no less than a reasonable degree of care, all Information concerning the other Group or its business that is either in its possession (including Information in its possession prior to the Distribution) or furnished by the other Group or its respective directors, officers, employees, agents, accountants, counsel, and other advisors and representatives at any time pursuant to this Agreement and shall not use any such Information other than for such purposes as shall be expressly permitted hereunder, except, in each case, to the extent that such Information is (i) in the public domain through no fault of any member of the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group, as applicable, or any of its respective directors, officers, employees, agents, accountants, counsel, or other advisors and representatives, (ii) later lawfully acquired from other sources by any of Nuance, SpinCo, or its respective Group, directors, officers, employees or agents, accountants, counsel, or other advisors and representatives, as applicable, which sources are not, to the knowledge of any of Nuance, SpinCo, or Persons in its respective Group, themselves bound by a confidentiality obligation regarding such Information, (iii) independently generated without reference to any proprietary or confidential Information of the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group, as applicable, or (iv) required to be disclosed by applicable Law; provided, however, that the Person required to disclose such Information gives the applicable Person prompt and, to the extent reasonably practicable, prior notice of such disclosure and an opportunity to contest such disclosure and shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cooperate, at the expense of the requesting Person, in seeking any reasonable protective arrangements requested by such Person. If such appropriate protective order or other remedy is not obtained, the Person that is required to disclose such Information shall furnish, or cause to be furnished, only that portion of such Information that is legally required to be disclosed and shall take commercially reasonable steps to ensure that confidential treatment is accorded such Information. Notwithstanding the foregoing, each of Nuance and SpinCo may release or disclose, or permit to be released or disclosed, any such Information concerning the other Group (A) to their respective directors, officers, employees, agents, accountants, counsel, and other advisors and representatives who need to know such Information (who shall be advised of the obligations hereunder with respect to such Information) and (B) to any nationally recognized statistical rating agency as it reasonably deems necessary, solely for the purpose of obtaining a rating of securities upon normal terms and conditions; provided, however, that the Party whose Information is being disclosed or released to such rating agency is promptly notified thereof.
- (b) Without limiting the foregoing, when any Information concerning the other Group or its business is no longer needed for the purposes contemplated by this Agreement, the applicable Party shall, promptly after request of the other Party, either return all Information in a

tangible form (including all copies thereof and all notes, extracts, or summaries based thereon) or certify to the other Party, as applicable, that it has destroyed such Information (and used commercially reasonable efforts to destroy all such Information electronically preserved or recorded within any computerized data storage device or component (including any hard-drive or database)).

Section 15.10. <u>Additional Provisions</u>. Article XI of the Separation Agreement is hereby incorporated into this Agreement *mutatis mutandis*.

[SIGNATURE PAGE TO FOLLOW]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives.

### NUANCE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By: /s/ Wendy Cassity

Name: Wendy Cassity

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Legal Officer

CERENCE INC.

By: /s/ Leanne Fitzgerald

Name: Leanne Fitzgerald

Title: Vice President and Secretary

[Signature Page to Employee Matters Agreement]

### INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AGREEMENT

by and between

Nuance Communications, Inc.

and

Cerence Inc.

Dated as of September 30, 2019

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INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AGREEMENT, dated as of September 30, 2019 (this "<u>Agreement</u>"), by and between NUANCE COMMUNICATIONS, INC., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Nuance</u>"), and CERENCE INC., a Delaware corporation ("<u>SpinCo</u>").

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, in connection with the contemplated Spin-Off of SpinCo and concurrently with the execution of this Agreement, Nuance and SpinCo are entering into a Separation and Distribution Agreement (the "Separation Agreement");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Separation Agreement and the other Ancillary Agreements, as of the Distribution Date, the Nuance IP has been allocated to the Nuance Group and the SpinCo IP has been allocated to the SpinCo Group;

WHEREAS, the Parties wish to record the transfers of any registrations or applications of Nuance IP and SpinCo IP, as applicable, to the extent the ownership thereof has transferred from a member of the Nuance Group to a member of the SpinCo Group, or vice versa, pursuant to the Separation Agreement or any other Ancillary Agreement;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Separation Agreement and the other Ancillary Agreements, as of the Distribution Date, the Nuance IP allocated to the Nuance Group includes the Nuance Patents, the Nuance Shared Technology Assets and the Nuance Data, and the SpinCo IP allocated to the SpinCo Group includes the SpinCo Patents, the SpinCo Shared Technology Assets and the SpinCo Data;

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Parties that Nuance grant a license to SpinCo under the Nuance Patents and the Nuance Shared Technology Assets, and provide certain rights or services to the SpinCo Group with respect to the Nuance Data, in each case for the SpinCo Field of Use, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Parties that SpinCo grant a license to Nuance under the SpinCo Patents and the SpinCo Shared Technology Assets, and provide certain rights or services to the Nuance Group with respect to certain of the SpinCo Data, in each case for the Nuance Field of Use, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements, provisions and covenants contained in this Agreement, the Parties, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:

# ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

Section 1.01. <u>Definitions</u>. As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings set forth below and herein, and the terms defined in <u>Schedules</u> shall have the meanings set forth therein. Capitalized terms used, but not defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Separation Agreement or any other Ancillary Agreement, as applicable.

"Bankruptcy Code" has the meaning set forth in Section 11.10.

"Confidential Technical Information" means, with respect to each Disclosing Party, any confidential Data, Trade Secrets or Technology source code within the Nuance IP or SpinCo IP, as applicable, that is in the Receiving Party's possession or that the Receiving Party obtains pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, together with any tangible or electronic expressions or embodiments thereof; <u>provided</u>, that "Confidential Technical Information" shall not include information that is or was (i) publicly known at the time of disclosure or thereafter without any breach of this Agreement by the Receiving Party or its Group or (ii) subsequently made known to the Receiving Party or its Group from a source unconnected with either Party or its Group.

"Copyrights" means copyrights, works of authorship (including all translations, adaptations, derivations and combinations thereof), mask works, designs and database rights, including, in each case, any registrations and applications therefor.

"Data" means all data, databases and collections and compilations of data, in any form or medium.

"Disclosing Party" means each Party in its capacity as the discloser of Confidential Technical Information, as applicable.

"Divested Entity" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.02.

"Domain Name Assignment Agreement" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.01.

"<u>Domain Names</u>" means Internet domain names, including top level domain names and global top level domain names, URLs, social media identifiers, handles and tags.

"Intellectual Property Assignment Agreements" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.01.

"Intellectual Property Rights" or "IPR" means any and all intellectual property rights existing anywhere in the world associated with any and all (i) Patents, (ii) Trademarks, (iii) Copyrights, (iv) Domain Names, (v) rights in Technology, (vi) rights in Trade Secrets, (vii) rights in Data, (viii) all tangible embodiments of the foregoing in whatever form or medium and (ix) any other legal protections and rights related to any of the foregoing. "Intellectual Property Rights" specifically excludes contractual rights (including license grants from third parties).

"Invention Disclosure Assignment Agreement" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.01.

"Nuance Data" means any Data that is (i) owned by a Third Party and licensed to the Nuance Group as of immediately prior to the Distribution pursuant to a Nuance Data Agreement or (ii) owned by the Nuance Group as of immediately prior to the Distribution but subject to a Nuance Data Agreement, in each case (i) and (ii), which Data is used in the SpinCo Business as of immediately prior to the Distribution.

- "Nuance Data Agreement" means each Contract identified in Schedule B.
- "Nuance Field of Use" has the meaning set forth in Schedule A.
- "Nuance IP" means all Intellectual Property Rights owned by the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group as of immediately prior to the Distribution, other than the SpinCo IP.
  - "Nuance Patents" means all Patents included within the Nuance IP.
- "Nuance Shared Technology Assets" means (i) the Nuance Technology Assets identified on Schedule H-2 and (ii) any other Nuance Technology Assets not identified on Schedule H-2 that are used in the SpinCo Business as of immediately prior to the Distribution; provided that the "Nuance Shared Technology Assets" exclude any OEM Technology.
- "Nuance Technology Assets" means all of the Technology owned by the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group as of immediately prior to the Distribution, excluding the SpinCo Technology Assets. For the avoidance of doubt, the "Nuance Technology Assets" include the Technology identified on Schedule H-1.
  - "Nuance Trademarks" means the Trademarks included in the Nuance IP.
  - "OEM Technology" means the Technology identified on Schedule I, each of which shall be subject to a separate agreement.
  - "Party" means either party hereto, and "Parties" means both parties hereto.
  - "Patent Assignment Agreement" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.01.
- "<u>Patents</u>" means patents (including all reissues, divisionals, continuations, continuations-in-part, reexaminations, supplemental examinations, interpartes review, post-grant oppositions, covered business methods reviews, substitutions and extensions thereof), patent registrations and applications, including provisional applications, statutory invention registrations, invention disclosures and inventions.
  - "Permitted Recipients" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.02.
  - "Receiving Party" means each Party in its capacity as the recipient of Confidential Technical Information, as applicable.
- "Software" means any and all (i) computer programs and applications, including any and all software implementations of algorithms, models and methodologies, whether in source code, object code, human readable form or other form, including operating software, network software, firmware, middleware, design software, design tools, ASP, HTML, DHTML, SHTML and XML files, cgi and other scripts, APIs and web widgets, (ii) descriptions, flow charts and other work product used to design, plan, organize and develop any of the foregoing, screens, user interfaces, report formats, firmware, development tools, templates, menus, buttons and icons, (iii) all documentation including user manuals and other training documentation related to any of the foregoing and (iv) all tangible embodiments of the foregoing in whatever

form or medium now known or yet to be created, including all disks, diskettes and tapes; provided, that "Software" does not include Data.

"SpinCo Copyrights" means unregistered Copyrights that are owned by the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group and exclusively related to the SpinCo Business as of immediately prior to the Distribution; provided, that the "SpinCo Copyrights" do not include any Technology or SpinCo Data.

"SpinCo Data" means any Data that is (i) owned by a Third Party and licensed to the Nuance Group or SpinCo Group as of immediately prior to the Distribution pursuant to a SpinCo Data Agreement or (ii) owned by the Nuance Group or SpinCo Group as of immediately prior to the Distribution but subject to a SpinCo Data Agreement and (iii) Data owned by the Nuance Group or SpinCo Group and exclusively related to the SpinCo Business as of immediately prior to the Distribution.

"SpinCo Data Agreement" means each Contract identified in Schedule C.

"SpinCo Domain Names" means the Domain Names identified on Schedule G, in each case excluding any Trademarks containing "Nuance" or any transliteration or translation thereof or any version of the "Nuance and Design" logo.

"SpinCo Field of Use" has the meaning set forth in Schedule A.

"SpinCo IDs" means the invention disclosures identified on Schedule E.

"SpinCo IP" means (i) the SpinCo Patents, (ii) the SpinCo Copyrights, (iii) the SpinCo Domain Names, (iv) the SpinCo Trade Secrets, (v) the SpinCo Trademarks, (vi) the SpinCo IDs, (vii) the SpinCo Technology Assets and (viii) the SpinCo Data.

"SpinCo Patents" means the Patents identified on Schedule D.

"SpinCo Shared Technology Assets" means the SpinCo Technology Assets identified on Schedule H-4. For the avoidance of doubt, the "SpinCo Shared Technology Assets" exclude any OEM Technology.

"SpinCo Technology Assets" means the Technology identified on Schedule H-3.

"SpinCo Trade Secrets" means the Trade Secrets known to the Parties that are owned by the Nuance Group or SpinCo Group and exclusively related to the SpinCo Business as of immediately prior to the Distribution; provided, that the "SpinCo Trade Secrets" do not include any Technology or SpinCo Data.

"SpinCo Trademarks" means the Trademarks identified on Schedule F.

"<u>Technology</u>" means Software, technical documentation, specifications, schematics, designs, user interfaces, test reports, bills of material, build instructions, lab notebooks, prototypes, samples, programs, routines, subroutines, tools, materials, apparatus, and all recordings, graphs, drawings, reports, analyses, other writings, disks, diskettes and tapes,

together with all Intellectual Property Rights (other than Patents and Trademarks) in the foregoing.

"Third Party" means any Person (including any Governmental Authority) who is not a member of the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group.

"<u>Trade Secrets</u>" means all information, in any form or medium, to the extent that the owner thereof has taken reasonable measures to keep such information secret and the information derives independent economic value, actual or potential, from not being generally known to, and not being readily ascertainable through proper means by, the public.

"Trademark Assignment Agreement" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.01.

"Trademarks" means trademarks, service marks, trade names, logos, slogans, trade dress or other source identifiers, including any registration or any application for registration therefor, together with all goodwill associated therewith.

# ARTICLE II RECORDATION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENTS

- Section 2.01. <u>Intellectual Property Assignment Agreements</u>. In order to carry out the intent of the Parties with respect to the recordation of the transfers of any registrations or applications of Nuance IP or SpinCo IP, as applicable, to the extent the ownership thereof has transferred from a member of the Nuance Group to a member of the SpinCo Group, or vice versa, pursuant to the Separation Agreement or any other Ancillary Agreement, the Parties shall execute intellectual property assignments in a form substantially similar to that attached as <u>Exhibit A1</u> (the "<u>Patent Assignment Agreement</u>") and <u>Exhibit A4</u> (the "<u>Invention Disclosure Assignment Agreement</u>") as well as such additional case specific assignments as deemed appropriate or necessary under applicable Laws (collectively, the "<u>Intellectual Property Assignment Agreements</u>") for recordation with the appropriate Governmental Authority.
- Section 2.02. <u>Recordation</u>. The relevant assignee Party shall have the sole responsibility, at its sole cost and expense, to file the Intellectual Property Assignment Agreements and any other forms or documents with the appropriate Governmental Authorities as required to record the transfer of any registrations or applications of Nuance IP or SpinCo IP that is allocated under the Separation Agreement, as applicable, and the relevant assignor Party hereby consents to such recordation.
- Section 2.03. <u>Security Interests</u>. Prior to, on and after the Distribution Date, each Party shall cooperate with the other Party, without any further consideration and at no expense to the other Party, to obtain, cause to be obtained or properly record the release of any outstanding Security Interest attached to any Nuance IP or SpinCo IP that is subject to assignment from one Party or its Group to the other Party or its Group hereunder, as applicable, and to take, or cause to be taken, all actions as the other Party may reasonably be requested to take in order to obtain, cause to be obtained or properly record such release.

# ARTICLE III LICENSES AND COVENANTS FROM NUANCE TO SPINCO

## Section 3.01. <u>License Grants</u>.

- (a) <u>Patents</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, as of the Distribution Date, Nuance hereby grants to SpinCo and the members of the SpinCo Group a worldwide, non-exclusive, fully paid-up, perpetual and irrevocable, transferable (subject to <u>ARTICLE VIII</u>), sublicensable (subject to <u>Section 3.01(g)</u>) license under the Nuance Patents, solely to the extent that claims of the Nuance Patents cover products or services of the SpinCo Business in the SpinCo Field of Use, together with natural extensions and evolutions thereof, in each case to make, have made, use, sell, offer for sale, import and otherwise exploit such products and services, together with natural extensions and evolutions thereof.
- (b) <u>Technology</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, as of the Distribution Date, Nuance hereby grants to SpinCo and the members of the SpinCo Group a worldwide, non-exclusive, fully paid-up, perpetual and irrevocable, transferable (subject to <u>ARTICLE VIII</u>), sublicensable (subject to <u>Section 3.01(g)</u>) license to install, access, use, reproduce, perform, display, modify (including the right to create improvements and derivative works), further develop, sell, manufacture, distribute and market products and services based on, using or incorporating the Nuance Shared Technology Assets within the SpinCo Field of Use, together with natural extensions and evolutions thereof.
- (c) Other Nuance Shared IP. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, as of the Distribution Date, Nuance hereby grants to SpinCo and the members of the SpinCo Group a worldwide, non-exclusive, fully paid-up, perpetual and irrevocable, transferable (subject to ARTICLE VIII), sublicensable (subject to Section 3.01(g)) license to continue to use any Nuance IP (other than Nuance Patents, Nuance Technology Assets, Nuance Trademarks and Nuance Data), in each case solely as and to the extent that it is used by the SpinCo Group in connection with products and services of the SpinCo Business within the SpinCo Field of Use, together with natural extensions and evolutions thereof.
- (d) <u>Trademarks</u>. The Parties acknowledge and agree that no rights are granted to the SpinCo Group in this Agreement with respect to any Trademarks or Domain Names, provided that certain rights and obligations with respect to the use by the SpinCo Group of certain Nuance Trademarks and related Domain Names shall be set forth in the Transitional Trademark License Agreement. To the extent there is a conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the Transitional Trademark License Agreement shall control.
- (e) <u>Nuance Data</u>. The Parties acknowledge and agree that certain rights and obligations with respect to the use or benefit by the SpinCo Group of certain Nuance Data shall be as provided in <u>Schedule B</u>.
- (f) <u>OEM Technology</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties acknowledge and agree that this <u>Section 3.01</u> does not grant any rights or licenses to any OEM Technology, which is subject to certain separate agreements between the Parties, and to the

extent there is a conflict between this Agreement and such separate agreements, such separate agreements shall control.

(g) <u>Sublicenses</u>. The licenses granted in <u>Sections 3.01(a)</u>, (b) and (c) to the SpinCo Group include the right to grant sublicenses within the scope of such licenses only to members of the SpinCo Group and, without any further right to sublicense, to their respective (i) contractors, distributors, manufacturers and resellers, in each case solely for the benefit of the SpinCo Business, and (ii) end users and customers, in each case solely in connection with the use of products and services of the SpinCo Business. Notwithstanding the forgoing, subject to <u>Section 3.02(b)</u> and <u>ARTICLE VI</u>, members of the SpinCo Group may only sublicense the Nuance Shared Technology Assets pursuant to terms and conditions as protective as those under which it licenses its own Technology of a similar nature and value, and in any event terms and conditions that provide for commercially reasonable protection for the source code, structure and other confidential and proprietary elements of the Nuance Shared Technology Assets. The SpinCo Group shall remain liable for any breach or default of the applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement by any of its sublicensees.

### Section 3.02. Other Covenants.

- (a) SpinCo hereby acknowledges Nuance's right, title and interest in and to the Nuance IP. SpinCo agrees that it will not (i) oppose, challenge, petition to cancel, contest or threaten in any way, or assist another party in opposing, challenging, petitioning to cancel, contesting or threatening in any way, any application or registration by Nuance or its Affiliates or their respective licensees for any Nuance IP, (ii) engage in any act, or purposefully omit to perform any act, that impairs or adversely affects the rights of Nuance or any member of the Nuance Group in and to any Nuance IP or (iii) apply for any registration (including federal, state and national registrations) with respect to the Nuance IP.
- (b) With respect to the Nuance Shared Technology Assets, SpinCo agrees that it will not (i) engage in any act, or purposefully omit to perform any act, that impairs or adversely affects the rights of Nuance or any member of the Nuance Group in and to any Nuance Shared Technology Assets, (ii) use the Nuance Shared Technology Assets on a service bureau, time sharing or similar basis, or for the benefit of any other Person, (iii) remove any proprietary markings in the Nuance Shared Technology Assets, (iv) incorporate or otherwise combine or integrate any open source software with or into the Nuance Shared Technology Assets such that the Nuance Shared Technology Assets, or any part thereof, becomes subject to any "open source," "copyleft" or similar type of license terms (including, without limitation, any license that is or was recognized as an open source software license by the Open Source Initiative), (v) reverse engineer, reverse assemble or decompile the Nuance Shared Technology Assets or any software component of the Nuance Shared Technology Assets or (vi) disclose, distribute or otherwise provide or permit access to source code of any Nuance Shared

Technology Assets other than to commercial source code escrow providers who are only permitted to make such source code available to third parties that have entered into an escrow agreement with a member of the SpinCo Group and escrow provider.

# ARTICLE IV LICENSES AND COVENANTS FROM SPINCO TO NUANCE

### Section 4.01. License Grants.

- (a) <u>Patents</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, as of the Distribution Date, SpinCo hereby grants to Nuance and the members of the Nuance Group a worldwide, non-exclusive, fully paid-up, perpetual and irrevocable, transferable (subject to <u>ARTICLE VIII</u>), sublicensable (subject to <u>Section 4.01(g)</u>) license under the SpinCo Patents, solely to the extent that claims of the SpinCo Patents cover products or services of the Nuance Business in the Nuance Field of Use, together with natural extensions and evolutions thereof, in each case to make, have made use, sell, offer for sale, import and otherwise exploit such products and services, together with natural extensions and evolutions thereof.
- (b) <u>Technology</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, as of the Distribution Date, SpinCo hereby grants to Nuance and the members of the Nuance Group a worldwide, non-exclusive, fully paid-up, perpetual and irrevocable, transferable (subject to <u>ARTICLE VIII</u>), sublicensable (subject to <u>Section 4.01(g))</u> license to install, access, use, reproduce, perform, display, modify (including the right to create improvements and derivative works), further develop, sell, manufacture, distribute and market products and services based on, using or incorporating the SpinCo Shared Technology Assets within the Nuance Field of Use, together with natural extensions and evolutions thereof.
- (c) Other SpinCo Shared IP. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, as of the Distribution Date, SpinCo hereby grants to Nuance and the members of the Nuance Group a worldwide, non-exclusive, fully paid-up, perpetual and irrevocable, transferable (subject to ARTICLE VIII), sublicensable (subject to Section 4.01(g)) license to continue to use any SpinCo IP (other than SpinCo Patents, SpinCo Technology Assets, SpinCo Trademarks, SpinCo Domain Names and SpinCo Data), in each case solely as and to the extent that it is used by the Nuance Group in connection with products and services of the Nuance Business within the Nuance Field of Use, together with natural extensions and evolutions thereof.
- (d) <u>Trademarks</u>. The Parties acknowledge and agree that no rights are granted to the Nuance Group in this Agreement with respect to any Trademarks or Domain Names.
- (e) <u>SpinCo Data</u>. The Parties acknowledge and agree that certain rights and obligations with respect to the use or benefit of the Nuance Group of certain SpinCo Data shall be as provided in <u>Schedule C</u>.
- (f) <u>OEM Technology.</u> Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties acknowledge and agree that this <u>Section 4.01</u> does not grant any rights or licenses to any OEM Technology, which is subject to certain separate agreements between the Parties, and to the

extent there is a conflict between this Agreement and such separate agreements, such separate agreements shall control.

(g) <u>Sublicenses</u>. The licenses granted in <u>Sections 4.01(a)</u>, (b) and (c) to the Nuance Group include the right to grant sublicenses within the scope of such licenses only to members of the Nuance Group and, without any further right to sublicense, to their respective (i) contractors, distributors, manufacturers and resellers, in each case solely for the benefit of the Nuance Business and (ii) end users and customers, in each case solely in connection with the use of products and services of the Nuance Business. Notwithstanding the forgoing, subject to <u>Section 4.02(b)</u> and <u>ARTICLE VI</u>, members of the Nuance Group may only sublicense the SpinCo Shared Technology Assets pursuant to terms and conditions as protective as those under which it licenses its own Technology of a similar nature and value, and in any event terms and conditions that provide for commercially reasonable protection for the source code, structure and other confidential and proprietary elements of the SpinCo Shared Technology Assets. The Nuance Group shall remain liable for any breach or default of the applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement by any of its sublicensees.

#### Section 4.02. Other Covenants.

- (a) Nuance hereby acknowledges SpinCo's right, title and interest in and to the SpinCo IP. Nuance agrees that it will not (i) oppose, challenge, petition to cancel, contest or threaten in any way, or assist another party in opposing, challenging, petitioning to cancel, contesting or threatening in any way, any application or registration by SpinCo or its Affiliates or their respective licensees for any SpinCo IP, (ii) engage in any act, or purposefully omit to perform any act, that impairs or adversely affects the rights of SpinCo or any member of the SpinCo Group in and to any SpinCo IP or (iii) apply for any registration (including federal, state and national registrations) with respect to the SpinCo IP.
- (b) With respect to the SpinCo Shared Technology Assets, Nuance agrees that it will not (i) engage in any act, or purposefully omit to perform any act, that impairs or adversely affects the rights of SpinCo or any member of the SpinCo Group in and to any SpinCo Shared Technology Assets, (ii) use the SpinCo Shared Technology Assets on a service bureau, time sharing or similar basis, or for the benefit of any other Person, (iii) remove any proprietary markings in the SpinCo Shared Technology Assets, (iv) incorporate or otherwise combine or integrate any open source software with or into the SpinCo Shared Technology Assets such that the SpinCo Shared Technology Assets, or any part thereof, becomes subject to any "open source," "copyleft" or similar type of license terms (including, without limitation, any license that is or was recognized as an open source software license by the Open Source Initiative), (v) reverse engineer, reverse assemble or decompile the SpinCo Shared Technology Assets or any software component of the SpinCo Shared Technology Assets or (vi) disclose, distribute or otherwise provide or permit access to source code of any SpinCo Shared

Technology Assets other than to commercial source code escrow providers who are only permitted to make such source code available to third parties that have entered into an escrow agreement with a member of the Nuance Group and escrow provider.

# ARTICLE V ADDITIONAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RELATED MATTERS

- Section 5.01. Ownership. The Party receiving the license hereunder acknowledges and agrees that the Party (or the applicable member of its Group) granting the license is the sole and exclusive owner of the Intellectual Property Rights so licensed.
- Section 5.02. <u>Assignments and Licenses</u>. Any assignment, other transfer or license by either Party or any member of its Group of any Intellectual Property Rights licensed to the other Party or any member of its Group pursuant to <u>ARTICLE III</u> or <u>ARTICLE IV</u>, respectively, shall be subject to the applicable licenses, covenants and restrictions set forth herein.
- Section 5.03. <u>No Implied Rights</u>. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed as conferring any rights (including the right to sublicense) by implication, estoppel or otherwise, under any Intellectual Property Rights, other than as expressly granted in this Agreement, and all other rights under any Intellectual Property Rights licensed to a Party or the members of its Group hereunder are expressly reserved by the Party granting the license.
- Section 5.04. <u>No Obligation To Prosecute or Maintain Patents</u>. Except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, no Party or any member of its Group shall have any obligation to seek, perfect or maintain any protection for any of its Intellectual Property Rights. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, no Party or any member of its Group shall have any obligation to file any Patent application, to prosecute any Patent, or secure any Patent rights or to maintain any Patent in force.
- Section 5.05. <u>No Technical Assistance</u>. Except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, in the Separation Agreement or any other mutually executed agreement between the Parties or any of the members of their respective Groups, no Party or any member of its Group shall be required to provide the other Party with any technical assistance or to furnish any other Party with, or obtain on their behalf, any Intellectual Property Rights-related documents, materials or other information or technology.
  - Section 5.06. Group Members. Each Party shall cause the members of its Group to comply with all applicable provisions of this Agreement.

# ARTICLE VI CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Section 6.01. <u>Confidentiality</u>. Without limiting <u>Section 6.02</u>, all confidential information of a Party disclosed to the other Party under this Agreement shall be deemed confidential and proprietary information of the disclosing Party, shall be subject to the provisions of Section 7.09 of the Separation Agreement and may be used by the Receiving Party pursuant to this Agreement for the sole and express purpose of effecting the licenses granted herein.

Section 6.02. <u>Disclosure of Confidential Technical Information</u>. Except as expressly permitted by this Agreement, including in <u>Section 3.02(b)</u> (vi) or <u>Section 4.02(b)(vi)</u>, the Receiving Party shall not, and shall not permit any other Person to, disclose any Confidential Technical Information to any Person without prior written consent of the Disclosing Party, except that the Receiving Party may disclose the Confidential Technical Information solely to those employees and contractors of the Receiving Party who have a need to know the Confidential Technical Information in connection with designing, developing, distributing, marketing, testing and supporting any products or services of the Receiving Party within the Nuance Field of Use or SpinCo Field of Use, as applicable (collectively, the "<u>Permitted Recipients</u>"); provided, that prior to such disclosure the Receiving Party shall notify each such Permitted Recipient in writing of the use and disclosure restrictions set forth in this Agreement and ensure that such Permitted Recipient is bound by confidentiality obligations with respect thereto. The Receiving Party shall take, at its sole expense, all reasonable measures to prevent any prohibited or unauthorized disclosure or use of any Confidential Technical Information, including by its Permitted Recipients, and shall be liable for any breaches of this Agreement by any of its Permitted Recipients, in each case, as if committed by the Receiving Party.

Section 6.03. <u>Compulsory Disclosure of Confidential Technical Information</u>. If the Receiving Party receives a request to disclose any Confidential Technical Information pursuant to a subpoena or other order of a Governmental Authority: (i) the Receiving Party shall promptly notify in writing the Disclosing Party thereof and reasonably consult with and assist the Disclosing Party in seeking a protective order or other appropriate remedy to limit such disclosure, (ii) in the event that such protective order or remedy is not obtained, the Receiving Party shall disclose only that portion of the Confidential Technical Information which, in the written opinion of the Receiving Party's legal counsel, is legally required to be disclosed, and the Receiving Party shall use reasonable best efforts to ensure confidential treatment of any such disclosed\_Confidential Technical Information and (iii) the Disclosing Party shall be given an opportunity to review any such Confidential Technical Information prior to disclosure thereof. The Parties shall fully cooperate, to the extent permitted by Law, in any actions the Disclosing Party may take in seeking to prevent or limit such disclosure. Any Confidential Technical Information disclosed under this <u>Section 6.03</u> shall continue to be deemed Confidential Technical Information for all purposes hereunder, notwithstanding such disclosure.

## ARTICLE VII LIMITATION OF LIABILITY AND WARRANTY DISCLAIMER

Section 7.01. <u>Limitation on Liability</u>. Without limiting the terms set forth in Section 6.09 of the Separation Agreement, none of Nuance, SpinCo or any other member of either Group shall in any event have any Liability to the other or to any other member of the other's Group under this Agreement for any indirect, special, punitive or consequential damages, whether or not caused by or resulting from negligence or breach of obligations hereunder and whether or not informed of the possibility of the existence of such damages.

Section 7.02. <u>Disclaimer of Representations and Warranties</u>. Each of Nuance (on behalf of itself and each other member of the Nuance Group) and SpinCo (on behalf of itself and each other member of the SpinCo Group) understands and agrees that, except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, no Party is representing or warranting in any way, including any

implied warranties of merchantability, fitness for a particular purpose, title, registerability, allowability, enforceability or non-infringement, as to any Intellectual Property Rights licensed hereunder, as to the sufficiency of the Intellectual Property Rights licensed hereunder for the conduct and operations of the SpinCo Business or the Nuance Business, as applicable, as to the value or freedom from any Security Interests of, or any other matter concerning, any Intellectual Property Rights licensed hereunder, or as to the absence of any defenses or rights of setoff or freedom from counterclaim with respect to any claim or other Intellectual Property Rights of any such Party, or as to the legal sufficiency of any assignment, document or instrument delivered hereunder to convey title to any Intellectual Property Rights or thing of value upon the execution, delivery and filing hereof or thereof. Except as may expressly be set forth herein, any such Intellectual Property Rights are being licensed on an "as is," "where is" basis and the respective licensees shall bear the economic and legal risks related to the use of the Nuance IP in the SpinCo Business or the SpinCo IP in the Nuance Business, as applicable.

# ARTICLE VIII TRANSFERABILITY AND ASSIGNMENT

Section 8.01. No Assignment or Transfer Without Consent. Except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests or obligations under this Agreement, including the licenses granted pursuant to this Agreement, shall be assigned, in whole or in part, by operation of Law or otherwise by either Party without the prior written consent of the other Party. Any purported assignment without such consent shall be void. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any Party to this Agreement (or any of its successors or permitted assigns) (a) shall enter into a consolidation or merger transaction in which such Party is not the surviving entity and the surviving entity acquires or assumes all or substantially all of such Party's assets, (b) shall transfer all or substantially all of such Party's assets to any Person or (c) shall assign this Agreement to such Party's Affiliates, then, in each such case, the assigning Party (or its successors or permitted assigns, as applicable) shall ensure that the assignee or successor-in-interest expressly assumes in writing all of the obligations of the assigning Party under this Agreement, and the assigning Party shall not be required to seek consent, but shall provide written notice and evidence of such assignment, assumption or succession to the non-assigning Party. Subject to the preceding sentences, this Agreement will be binding upon, inure to the benefit of, and be enforceable by, the Parties and their respective successors and assigns. No assignment permitted by this Section 8.01 shall release the assigning Party from liability for the full performance of its obligations under this Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, in no event will the licenses granted in this Agreement extend to products, services or other activities of the assignee existing on or before the date of the transaction described in clauses (a) or (b) of the preceding sentence, except to the extent that they were licensed under the terms of this Agreement prior to such tran

Section 8.02. <u>Divested Businesses</u>. In the event a Party divests a line of business or line of products or services by (a) spinning off a member of its Group by its sale or other disposition to a Third Party, (b) reducing ownership or control in a member of its Group so that it no longer qualifiers as a member of its Group under this Agreement, (c) selling or otherwise transferring such line of business, products or services to a Third Party or (d) forming a joint venture with a Third Party with respect to such line of business, products or services (each such divested entity or line of business, products or services, a "<u>Divested Entity</u>"), the Divested Entity

shall retain those licenses granted to it under this Agreement, <u>provided</u> that the license shall be limited to the business, products or services (as applicable) of the Divested Entity as of the date of divestment and such natural development thereof within the Nuance Field of Use (where Nuance is the divesting Party) or SpinCo Field of Use (where SpinCo is the divesting party). The retention of any license grants are subject to the Divested Entity's and, in the event it is acquired by a Third Party, such Third Party's execution and delivery to the non-transferring Party, within 90 days of the effective date of such divestment, of a duly authorized, written undertaking, agreeing to be bound by the applicable terms of this Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, (i) in no event will the licenses retained by a Divested Entity extend to products, services or other activities of a Third Party acquirer existing on or before the date of the divestment, except to the extent that they were licensed under the terms of this Agreement prior to such divestment, and (ii) in the event that a Divested Entity owns any Intellectual Property Rights licensed to the other Party under this Agreement, such Intellectual Property Rights may be transferred or assignment with such Divested Entity subject to the terms and conditions this Agreement.

## ARTICLE IX TERMINATION

- Section 9.01. <u>Termination by Both Parties</u>. Subject to <u>Section 9.02</u>, this Agreement may not be terminated except by an agreement in writing signed by a duly authorized officer of each of the Parties.
- Section 9.02. <u>Termination prior to the Distribution</u>. This Agreement may be terminated by Nuance at any time, in its sole discretion, prior to the Distribution; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that this Agreement shall automatically terminate upon the termination of the Separation Agreement in accordance with its terms.
- Section 9.03. <u>Effect of Termination; Survival</u>. In the event of any termination of this Agreement prior to the Distribution, neither Party (nor any member of their Group or any of their respective directors or officers) shall have any Liability or further obligation to the other Party or any member of its Group under this Agreement. Except with respect to termination of the Agreement under <u>Section 9.02</u>, notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, <u>ARTICLE VI</u>, <u>ARTICLE VII</u>, this <u>Section 9.03</u> and <u>ARTICLE XI</u> shall survive any termination of this Agreement.

# ARTICLE X FURTHER ASSURANCES

### Section 10.01. Further Assurances.

- (a) In addition to the actions specifically provided for elsewhere in this Agreement, each of the Parties shall use reasonable best efforts, prior to, on and after the Distribution Date, to take, or cause to be taken, all actions, and to do, or cause to be done, all things, reasonably necessary, proper or advisable under applicable Laws and agreements to consummate, and make effective, the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.
- (b) Without limiting the foregoing, prior to, on and after the Distribution Date, each Party shall cooperate with the other Party, without any further

consideration, but at the expense of the requesting Party: (i) to execute and deliver, or use reasonable best efforts to execute and deliver, or cause to be executed and delivered, all instruments, including any instruments of conveyance, assignment and transfer as such Party may reasonably be requested to execute and deliver by the other Party; (ii) to make, or cause to be made, all filings with, and to obtain, or cause to be obtained, all Consents of any Governmental Authority or any other Person under any permit, license, Contract, indenture or other instrument; and (iii) to take, or cause to be taken, all such other actions as such Party may reasonably be requested to take by the other Party from time to time, consistent with the terms of this Agreement, in order to effectuate the provisions and purposes of this Agreement and any transfers of Intellectual Property Rights or assignments and assumptions of Liabilities related thereto as set forth in the Separation Agreement.

# ARTICLE XI MISCELLANEOUS

### Section 11.01. Counterparts; Entire Agreement; Corporate Power.

- (a) This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, all of which counterparts shall be considered one and the same agreement, and shall become effective when one or more counterparts have been signed by each Party and delivered to the other Party. This Agreement may be executed by facsimile or PDF signature and scanned and exchanged by electronic mail, and such facsimile or PDF signature or scanned and exchanged copies shall constitute an original for all purposes.
- (b) This Agreement and the Exhibits and Schedules hereto contain the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersede all previous agreements, negotiations, discussions, writings, understandings, commitments and conversations with respect to such subject matter, and there are no agreements or understandings between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof other than those set forth or referred to herein or therein. In the event of conflict or inconsistency between the provisions of this Agreement or the Separation Agreement, the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail.
- (c) Nuance represents on behalf of itself and each other member of the Nuance Group, and SpinCo represents on behalf of itself and each other member of the SpinCo Group, as follows:
- (i) each such Person has the requisite corporate or other power and authority and has taken all corporate or other action necessary in order to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby; and
- (ii) this Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by it and constitutes, or will constitute, a valid and binding agreement of it enforceable in accordance with the terms thereof.
- Section 11.02. <u>Dispute Resolution</u>. In the event that either Party, acting reasonably, forms the view that another Party has caused a material breach of the terms of this Agreement, then the Party that forms such a view shall serve written notice of the alleged breach on the other Parties and the Parties shall work together in good faith to resolve any such alleged

breach within thirty (30) days of such notice (a "<u>Dispute</u>"). If any such alleged breach is not so resolved, then a senior executive of each Party shall, in good faith, attempt to resolve any such alleged breach within the following thirty (30) days of the referral of the matter to the senior executives. If no resolution is reached with respect to any such alleged breach in accordance with the procedures contained in this <u>Section 11.02</u>, then the Parties may seek to resolve such matter in accordance with <u>Section 11.03</u>, <u>Section 11.04</u>, <u>Section 11.05</u> and <u>Section 11.06</u>

Section 11.03. Governing Law; Jurisdiction. Any disputes relating to, arising out of or resulting from this Agreement, including to its execution, performance, or enforcement, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the Laws of the State of Delaware, regardless of the Laws that might otherwise govern under applicable principles of conflicts of Laws thereof. Each Party irrevocably consents to the exclusive jurisdiction, forum and venue of the Delaware Court of Chancery (and if the Delaware Court of Chancery shall be unavailable, any Delaware State court or the federal court sitting in the State of Delaware) over any and all claims, disputes, controversies or disagreements between the Parties or any of their respective Affiliates, successors and assigns under or related to this Agreement or any of the transactions contemplated hereby, including their execution, performance or enforcement, whether in contract, tort or otherwise. Each of the Parties hereby agrees that it shall not assert, and shall hereby waive, any claim or right or defense that it is not subject to the jurisdiction of such courts, that the venue is improper, that the forum is inconvenient or any similar objection, claim or argument. Each Party agrees that a final judgment in any legal proceeding resolved in accordance with this Section 11.03, Section 11.05 and Section 11.06 shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by applicable Law.

Section 11.04. Waiver of Jury Trial. EACH PARTY HEREBY WAIVES ITS RIGHTS TO A JURY TRIAL OF ANY CLAIM OR CAUSE OF ACTION RELATING TO, ARISING OUT OF OR RESULTING FROM THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY, INCLUDING THEIR EXECUTION, PERFORMANCE OR ENFORCEMENT, WHETHER IN CONTRACT, TORT OR OTHERWISE. THE SCOPE OF THIS WAIVER IS INTENDED TO BE ALL-ENCOMPASSING OF ANY AND ALL DISPUTES THAT MAY BE FILED IN ANY COURT AND THAT RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS TRANSACTION, INCLUDING CONTRACT CLAIMS, TORT CLAIMS (INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE), BREACH OF DUTY CLAIMS AND ALL OTHER COMMON LAW AND STATUTORY CLAIMS. THIS SECTION HAS BEEN FULLY DISCUSSED BY EACH OF THE PARTIES AND THESE PROVISIONS WILL NOT BE SUBJECT TO ANY EXCEPTIONS.

Section 11.05. <u>Court-Ordered Interim Relief.</u> In accordance with <u>Section 11.03</u> and <u>Section 11.04</u>, at any time after giving notice of a Dispute, each Party shall be entitled to interim measures of protection duly granted by a court of competent jurisdiction: (1) to preserve the status quo pending resolution of the Dispute; (2) to prevent the destruction or loss of documents and other information or things relating to the Dispute; or (3) to prevent the transfer, disposition or hiding of assets. Any such interim measure (or a request therefor to a court of competent jurisdiction) shall not be deemed incompatible with the provisions of <u>Section 11.02</u>, <u>Section 11.03</u> and <u>Section 11.04</u>. Until such Dispute is resolved in accordance with <u>Section 11.02</u> or final judgment is rendered in accordance with <u>Section 11.03</u> and <u>Section 11.04</u>, each

Party agrees that such Party shall continue to perform its obligations under this Agreement and that such obligations shall not be subject to any defense or setoff, counterclaim, recoupment or termination.

Section 11.06. Specific Performance. Subject to Section 11.02 and Section 11.05, in the event of any actual or threatened default in, or breach of, any of the terms, conditions and provisions of this Agreement, the affected Party shall have the right to specific performance and injunctive or other equitable relief of its rights under this Agreement, in addition to any and all other rights and remedies at Law or in equity, and all such rights and remedies shall be cumulative. The other Party shall not oppose the granting of such relief on the basis that money damages are an adequate remedy. The Parties agree that the remedies at Law for any breach or threatened breach hereof, including monetary damages, are inadequate compensation for any loss and that any defense in any action for specific performance that a remedy at Law would be adequate is waived. Any requirements for the securing or posting of any bond or similar security with such remedy are waived.

Section 11.07. <u>Third-Party Beneficiaries</u>. Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein or as otherwise may be provided in the Separation Agreement with respect to the rights of any Nuance Indemnitee or SpinCo Indemnitee, in his, her or its respective capacities as such, (a) the provisions of this Agreement are solely for the benefit of the Parties hereto and are not intended to confer upon any Person except the Parties hereto any rights or remedies hereunder and (b) there are no third-party beneficiaries of this Agreement and this Agreement shall not provide any third person with any remedy, claim, liability, reimbursement, cause of action or other right in excess of those existing without reference to this Agreement.

Section 11.08. Notices. All notices or other communications under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to be duly given (a) when delivered in person, (b) on the date received, if sent by a nationally recognized delivery or courier service, (c) upon written confirmation of receipt after transmittal by electronic mail or (d) upon the earlier of confirmed receipt or the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) business day following the date of mailing if sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid and addressed as follows:

### If to Nuance, to:

Nuance Communications, Inc. 1 Wayside Road, Burlington, MA 01803

Attn: Wendy Cassity, EVP and Chief Legal Officer

email: Wendy.cassity@nuance.com

with a copy to: David Garfinkel, SVP Corporate Development

email: <u>David.garfinkel@nuance.com</u>

### <u>and</u>

Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP 1285 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10019-6064 Attn: Scott A. Barshay Steven J. Williams Michael E. Vogel
email: sbarshay@paulweiss.com
swilliams@paulweiss.com
mvogel@paulweiss.com

Facsimile: 212-492-0040

If to SpinCo, to:

Cerence Inc.

15 Wayside Road, Burlington, MA 01803 Attn: Leanne Fitzgerald, General Counsel email: Leanne.Fitzgerald@cerence.com

with a copy to: Mark Gallenberger, Chief Financial Officer

email: Mark.Gallenberger@cerence.com

Either Party may, by notice to the other Party, change the address and identity of the Person to which such notices and copies of such notices are to be given. Each Party agrees that nothing in this Agreement shall affect the other Party's right to serve process in any other manner permitted by Law (including pursuant to the rules for foreign service of process authorized by the Hague Convention).

Section 11.09. <u>Import and Export Control</u>. Each Party agrees that it shall comply with all applicable national and international laws and regulations relating to import and/or export control in its country(ies), if any, involving any commodities, software, services or technology within the scope of this Agreement.

Section 11.10. <u>Bankruptcy</u>. The Parties acknowledge and agree that all rights and licenses granted by the other under or pursuant to this Agreement are, and shall otherwise be deemed to be, for purposes of Section 365(n) of the United States Bankruptcy Code, as amended (the "<u>Bankruptcy Code</u>"), licenses of rights to "intellectual property" as defined under Section 101 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Parties agree that, notwithstanding anything else in this Agreement, Nuance and the members of the Nuance Group and SpinCo and the members of the SpinCo Group, as licensees of such intellectual property rights under this Agreement, shall retain and may fully exercise all of its rights and elections under the Bankruptcy Code (including Nuance's and the Nuance Group members' and SpinCo's and the SpinCo Group members' right

to the continued enjoyment of the rights and licenses respectively granted by under this Agreement).

- Section 11.11. Severability. If any provision of this Agreement or the application thereof to any Person or circumstance is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void or unenforceable, the remaining provisions hereof, or the application of such provision to Persons or circumstances, or in jurisdictions other than those as to which it has been held invalid or unenforceable, shall remain in full force and effect and shall in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated thereby, so long as the economic or legal substance of the transactions contemplated hereby is not affected in any manner materially adverse to either Party. Upon any such determination, any such provision, to the extent determined to be invalid, void or unenforceable, shall be deemed replaced by a provision that such court determines is valid and enforceable and that comes closest to expressing the intention of the invalid, void or unenforceable provision.
- Section 11.12. Expenses. Except as set forth on Schedule XXIV to the Separation Agreement, as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement or the Separation Agreement, (i) all third-party fees, costs and expenses incurred by either the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group in connection with effecting the Spin-Off prior to or on the Distribution Date, whether payable prior to, on or following the Distribution Date (but excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, any financing fees or interest payable in respect of any indebtedness incurred by SpinCo in connection with the Spin-Off), will be borne and paid by Nuance and (ii) all third-party fees, costs and expenses incurred by either the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group in connection with effecting the Spin-Off following the Distribution Date, whether payable prior to, on or following the Distribution Date, will be borne and paid by the Party incurring such fee, cost or expense. For the avoidance of doubt, this Section 11.12 shall not affect each Party's responsibility to indemnify Nuance Liabilities or SpinCo Liabilities, as applicable, arising from the transactions contemplated by the Distribution.
- Section 11.13. <u>Headings</u>. The article, section and paragraph headings contained in this Agreement, including in the table of contents of this Agreement, are for reference purposes only and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
- Section 11.14. <u>Survival of Covenants</u>. Except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, the covenants in this Agreement and the Liabilities for the breach of any obligations in this Agreement shall survive the Spin-Off and shall remain in full force and effect.
- Section 11.15. <u>Waivers of Default</u>. No failure or delay of any Party (or the applicable member of its Group) in exercising any right or remedy under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right or power, or any abandonment or discontinuance of steps to enforce such right or power, or any course of conduct, preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right or power. Waiver by any Party of any default by the other Party of any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver by the waiving Party of any subsequent or other default.
- Section 11.16. <u>Amendments</u>. No provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed waived, amended, supplemented or modified by any Party, unless such waiver, amendment,

supplement or modification is in writing and signed by the authorized representative of each Party.

Section 11.17. Interpretation. Words in the singular shall be held to include the plural and vice versa and words of one gender shall be held to include the other gender as the context requires. The terms "hereof," "herein," "herewith" and words of similar import, unless otherwise stated, shall be construed to refer to this Agreement as a whole (including all of the schedules hereto) and not to any particular provision of this Agreement. Article, Section or Schedule references are to the articles, sections and schedules of or to this Agreement unless otherwise specified. Any capitalized terms used in any Schedule to this Agreement but not otherwise defined therein shall have the meaning as defined in this Agreement. Any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument or other document herein (including any reference herein to this Agreement) shall, unless otherwise stated, 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 therein, including in Section 11.16 above). The word "including" and words of similar import when used in this Agreement shall mean "including, without limitation," unless the context otherwise requires or unless otherwise specified. The word "or" shall not be exclusive. The word "extent" in the phrase "to the extent" shall mean the degree to which a subject or other thing extends, and such phrase shall not mean simply "if." All references to "\$" or dollar amounts are to the lawful currency of the United States of America. In the event that an ambiguity or question of intent or interpretation arises, this Agreement shall be construed as if drafted jointly by the Parties, and no presumption or burden of proof shall arise favoring or disfavoring either Party by virtue of the authorship of any provisions hereof.

[SIGNATURE PAGES FOLLOW]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Intellectual Property Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives.

## NUANCE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By: /s/ Wendy Cassity

Name: Wendy Cassity

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Legal

Officer

## CERENCE INC.

By: /s/ Leanne Fitzgerald

Name: Leanne Fitzgerald

Title: Vice President and Secretary

[Signature page to the Intellectual Property Agreement]

## TRANSITIONAL TRADEMARK LICENSE AGREEMENT

by and between

Nuance Communications, Inc.

and

Cerence Inc.

Dated as of September 30, 2019

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TRANSITIONAL TRADEMARK LICENSE AGREEMENT, dated as of September 30, 2019 (this "<u>Agreement</u>"), by and between NUANCE COMMUNICATIONS, INC., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Licensor</u>"), and CERENCE INC., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Licensoe</u>").

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, in connection with the contemplated Spin-Off of Licensee and concurrently with the execution of this Agreement, Licensor and Licensee are entering into a Separation and Distribution Agreement (the "Separation Agreement");

WHEREAS, Licensor is the owner of the Licensed Trademarks; and

WHEREAS, Licensee desires to receive a license to use the Licensed Trademarks for a transitional basis, and Licensor is willing to grant such license pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements, provisions and covenants contained in this Agreement, the Parties, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:

# ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

Section 1.01. <u>Definitions</u>. As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings set forth below. Capitalized terms used, but not defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Separation Agreement or Intellectual Property Agreement (as applicable).

"Commercialize" means to sell, offer for sale, distribute or otherwise commercialize, including distribution, hosting or other commercial provision of Software and related services via any means.

"<u>Domain Names</u>" means Internet domain names, including top level domain names and global top level domain names, URLs, social media identifiers, handles and tags.

"<u>Licensed Products</u>" means those products and services Commercialized by the SpinCo Business that contain, bear, display or use any Licensed Trademarks as of immediately prior to the Distribution.

"Licensed Trademarks" shall mean the Trademarks set forth in Schedule A.

"Marketing Materials" means product literature, advertisements, sales literature, store displays, splash screens and other similar materials in any forms or media.

"Party" means either party hereto, and "Parties" means both parties hereto.

"Term" has the meaning set forth in Section 8.01.

"Trademark Guidelines" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.02(a).

"<u>Trademarks</u>" means trademarks, service marks, trade names, logos, slogans, trade dress or other source identifiers, including any registration or any application for registration therefor, together with all goodwill associated therewith.

### ARTICLE II GRANT

Section 2.01. <u>Licenses</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, Licensor hereby grants to Licensee and the members of the SpinCo Group the following fully paid-up, royalty free, non-sublicensable (except as provided in <u>Section 2.02</u>), non-assignable and non-transferable (except as provided in <u>Section 9.01</u>), non-exclusive, worldwide licenses to use the Licensed Trademarks.

(a) <u>Products and Marketing Materials</u>: for a period of six (6) months following the Distribution Date, in connection with the Commercialization of Licensed Products and associated Marketing Materials within the SpinCo Field of Use (as defined in Exhibit A to the Intellectual Property Agreement); <u>provided</u>, that Licensee shall promptly arrange for the rebranding or destruction of any Licensed Products or Marketing Materials, as applicable, that remain unsold following such six (6) month period;

<u>provided</u>, that, the time period set forth in the foregoing clauses shall be extended for such additional period of time, not to exceed six (6) months, as may be required to obtain any license, permit, consent, approval or authorization from an applicable Governmental Authority that is required to cease use of the Licensed Trademarks on any Licensed Products or Marketing Materials therefor in connection with the import or export thereof; <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that Licensee uses commercially reasonable efforts to obtain any such license, permit, consent, approval or authorization as soon as reasonably practicable after the Distribution Date;

(b) Other Uses: for a period of six (6) months following the Distribution Date, in connection with continuing the use of any other SpinCo Assets, not addressed in the foregoing clause (a), that contain, bear, display or use any Licensed Trademark as of the date hereof, including billboards, vehicle and equipment markings, stationery, purchase orders, forms, business cards, invoices, contracts or on letterhead and other media;

<u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that, in each case of the foregoing clauses (a) – (b) of this <u>Section 2.01</u>, all such uses shall be in a manner consistent with the operation of the SpinCo Business immediately prior to the Distribution Date.

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the foregoing licenses do not include the right to use the Licensed Trademarks as part of Domain Names without the prior written consent of Licensor.

Section 2.02. <u>Sublicense Rights</u>. The licenses granted to Licensee in <u>Section 2.01</u> include the right to grant sublicenses to customers of the SpinCo Group in connection with Commercialization of the Licensed Products of Licensee and the SpinCo Group in the ordinary course of business, in each case solely for the benefit of the SpinCo Business;

<u>provided</u>, that Licensee ensures that the terms of any such sublicensee are consistent with the terms of this Agreement and any such sublicensee complies with such sublicensee. Licensee shall remain liable under this Agreement for any actions or omissions of its sublicensee in connection with this Agreement as if such actions were those of the Licensee under this Agreement.

- Section 2.03. <u>Efforts to Remove</u>. Notwithstanding the rights set forth in this <u>Article II</u>, Licensee shall use commercially reasonable efforts to remove and cease using any Licensed Trademarks that appear on any publicly available or promotional materials used by any member of the SpinCo Group or their Affiliates within the SpinCo Business as soon as reasonably practical following the Distribution Date.
- Section 2.04. <u>Records</u>. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, and without limiting the rights otherwise granted in this <u>Article II</u>, the SpinCo Group shall have the right, at all times before, during and after the Distribution Date, to retain records and other historical or archived documents containing or referencing the Licensed Trademarks.
- Section 2.05. No Implied Licenses. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed as conferring any rights (including the right to sublicense) by implication, estoppel or otherwise, under any Intellectual Property Rights, other than as expressly granted in this Agreement, and all other rights under any Intellectual Property Rights licensed to a Party or the members of its Group hereunder are expressly reserved by the Party granting the license. Licensee shall not use the Licensed Trademarks except as set forth in this Agreement. All goodwill generated by Licensee's and the SpinCo Group's use of the Licensed Marks inures solely to the benefit of Licensor.

Section 2.06. <u>Group Members</u>. Licensee shall cause the members of its Group to comply with all applicable provisions of this Agreement.

# ARTICLE III RESTRICTIONS

- Section 3.01. Restrictions on Use. Except as expressly permitted in this Agreement, Licensee shall not:
- (a) use any of the Licensed Trademarks in a way that would reasonably be expected to (i) tarnish, degrade, disparage or reflect adversely on a Licensed Trademark or Licensor's or any member of the Nuance Group's business or reputation, (ii) dilute or otherwise harm the value, reputation or distinctiveness of or Licensor's goodwill used in connection with or symbolized by any Licensed Trademark or (iii) invalidate or cause the cancellation or abandonment of any Licensed Trademark; or
- (b) adopt, use, register or file applications to register, acquire or otherwise obtain, in any jurisdiction, any Trademark or Domain Name that consists of, incorporates or is confusingly similar to or dilutive of, or is a variation, derivation or modification of, any Licensed Trademark.

### ARTICLE IV OWNERSHIP

Section 4.01. Ownership. Licensee acknowledges that the Licensed Trademarks are the exclusive and sole property of Licensor, and Licensee agrees that it will not contest Licensor's ownership or validity of any of the Licensed Trademarks. Nothing in this Agreement shall confer in Licensee any right of ownership in any Licensed Trademarks, and Licensee shall not make any representation to that effect or use any Licensed Trademarks in a manner that suggests that such rights are conferred.

Section 4.02. <u>No Obligation to Prosecute or Maintain Trademarks</u>. Neither Licensor nor any member of the Nuance Group shall have any obligation to seek, perfect or maintain any protection for any of the Licensed Trademarks. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, neither Licensor nor any member of the Nuance Group shall have any obligation to file any Trademark application, to prosecute any Trademark or secure any Trademark rights or to maintain any Licensed Trademark in force.

## ARTICLE V QUALITY CONTROL

### Section 5.01. <u>Licensee Covenants</u>.

- (a) <u>Quality Control</u>. Licensee shall produce and Commercialize the Licensed Products according to standards that are, and a level of quality that is either (i) substantially the same as the standards and quality of the SpinCo Business as of immediately prior to the Distribution, or (ii) approved in advance in writing by Licensor.
- (b) <u>Samples</u>. Licensee agrees, upon Licensor's reasonable request, to furnish to Licensor representative samples of marketing materials Commercialized by Licensee that include or refer to the Licensed Trademarks.
  - Section 5.02. Conditions Applicable to the Appearance of the Licensed Trademarks.
- (a) Licensee agrees to comply with the rules and brand guidelines applicable to the SpinCo Business as of immediately prior to the Distribution Date with respect to the appearance and manner of use of the Licensed Trademarks ("<u>Trademark Guidelines</u>"). Licensor agrees to notify Licensee in writing of any changes to the Trademark Guidelines. Licensee's and the SpinCo Group's obligation to comply with revised Trademark Guidelines shall be prospective from the date of notification of any such changes thereto, and Licensee shall not be required to modify any materials complying with the prior guidelines that were Commercialized prior to such notification. Any changes to any form of use of the Licensed Trademarks not specifically provided for pursuant to the Trademark Guidelines shall be adopted by Licensee only upon prior approval in writing by Licensor.
- (b) Prior to any use of any Licensed Trademark that would be materially different from the uses made prior to the Distribution Date, Licensee shall submit samples of any such use of the Licensed Trademarks to Licensor for approval. Such samples

shall be sent to: (by email to: Wendy Cassity; wendy.cassity@nuance.com). Such approval by Licensor shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

### Section 5.03. <u>Protection of Licensed Trademarks</u>.

- (a) Licensee shall take reasonable steps to avoid endangering the validity of the Licensed Trademarks, including compliance with the applicable Laws in all countries where Licensed Products are Commercialized. Licensee shall execute registered user agreements and similar documents required by Licensor to protect or enhance Licensor's title and rights in the Licensed Trademarks. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, Licensee shall be responsible for all out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred in connection with obtaining and maintaining trademark registrations where such registrations would not have been applied for or maintained in the absence of Licensee's activities under this Agreement, recording this Agreement and obtaining the entry of Licensee as a registered or authorized user of the Licensed Trademarks.
- (b) In the event that Licensee learns of any infringement or threatened infringement of the Licensed Trademarks or any passing-off or that any third party alleges or claims to Licensee that the Licensed Trademarks are liable to cause deception or confusion to the public, or are liable to dilute or infringe any right, Licensee shall as promptly as reasonably practicable notify Licensor or its authorized representative giving particulars thereof. Licensor may elect to pursue such claims and any such proceedings shall be at the sole expense of Licensor and any recoveries shall be solely for the benefit of Licensor. Nothing herein, however, shall be deemed to require Licensor to enforce the Licensed Trademarks against others.
- (c) In the performance of this Agreement, each Party shall comply with all applicable Laws regarding Intellectual Property Rights, and those Laws particularly pertaining to the proper use and designation of Trademarks. Should either Party be or become aware of any applicable Laws regarding Intellectual Property Rights that are inconsistent with the provisions of this Agreement, it shall as promptly as reasonably practicable notify the other Party of such inconsistency.

### ARTICLE VI REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

- Section 6.01. <u>Mutual Representations and Warranties</u>. Licensor represents on behalf of itself and each other member of the Nuance Group, and Licensee represents on behalf of itself and each other member of the SpinCo Group, as follows:
- (a) it has the requisite corporate or other power and authority and has taken all corporate or other action necessary in order to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby; and
- (b) this Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by it and constitutes, or will constitute, a valid and binding agreement of it enforceable in accordance with the terms thereof.

Section 6.02. <u>Disclaimer of Other Representations and Warranties</u>. Licensee (on behalf of itself and each other member of the SpinCo Group) understands and agrees that, except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, Licensor is not representing or warranting in any way, including any implied warranties of merchantability, fitness for a particular purpose, title, registerability, allowability, enforceability or non-infringement, as to any Licensed Trademarks licensed hereby for the conduct and operations of the SpinCo Business, as to the value or freedom from any Security Interests of, or any other matter concerning, any Licensed Trademarks, or as to the absence of any defenses or rights of setoff or freedom from counterclaim with respect to any claim or other Intellectual Property Right of Licensor. Except as may expressly be set forth herein, the Licensed Trademarks are being licensed on an "as is," "where is" basis and the respective transferees shall bear the economic and legal risks related to the use of the Licensed Trademarks in connection with the SpinCo Business.

# ARTICLE VII INDEMNIFICATION

Section 7.01. <u>Indemnification by Licensee</u>. Licensee shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Nuance Indemnitees from and against any and all Liabilities of the Nuance Indemnitees relating to, arising out of or resulting from (i) Licensee's breach of this Agreement or (ii) the SpinCo Group's use or exploitation of the Licensed Trademarks, except to the extent the claim relates to a matter for which Licensor is obligated to indemnify any Licensee Indemnitee under <u>Section 7.02</u> of this Agreement.

Section 7.02. <u>Indemnification by Licensor</u>. Licensor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the SpinCo Indemnitees from and against any and all Liabilities of the SpinCo Indemnitees to the extent that it is based upon (i) any third-party claim that Licensee's or the SpinCo Group's use of the Licensed Trademarks in accordance with this Agreement infringes or dilutes such third party's Trademarks, or (ii) Licensor's breach of this Agreement.

Section 7.03. <u>Limitation on Liability</u>. Except as may expressly be set forth in this Agreement, none of Licensor, Licensee or any other member of either Group shall in any event have any Liability to the other or to any other member of the other's Group, or to any other Nuance Indemnitee or SpinCo Indemnitee, as applicable, under this Agreement for any indirect, special, punitive or consequential damages, whether or not caused by or resulting from negligence or breach of obligations hereunder and whether or not informed of the possibility of the existence of such damages; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the provisions of this <u>Section 7.03</u> shall not limit an Indemnifying Party's indemnification obligations hereunder with respect to any Liability any Indemnitee may have to any third party not affiliated with any member of the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group for any indirect, special, punitive or consequential damages.

# ARTICLE VIII TERM AND TERMINATION

Section 8.01. <u>Term</u>. The term of this Agreement shall begin as of the Distribution Date and shall expire on the expiration of last of the periods set forth above in <u>Section 2.01</u> (the "<u>Term</u>").

Section 8.02. <u>Effect of Expiration</u>. Upon the expiration of this Agreement, Licensee shall immediately discontinue and cease all use of the Licensed Trademarks. After the expiration of the Term, Licensee and the SpinCo Group shall no longer have the right to use the Licensed Trademarks.

Section 8.03. <u>Survival</u>. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, <u>Article I</u>, <u>Article VII</u> and <u>Article IX</u> shall survive the expiration or any termination of this Agreement.

# ARTICLE IX MISCELLANEOUS

Section 9.01. No Assignment or Transfer Without Consent. Except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests or obligations under this Agreement, including the licenses granted pursuant to this Agreement, shall be assigned, in whole or in part, by operation of Law or otherwise by either Party without the prior written consent of the other Party. Any purported assignment without such consent shall be void. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any Party to this Agreement (or any of its successors or permitted assigns) (a) shall enter into a consolidation or merger transaction in which such Party is not the surviving entity and the surviving entity acquires or assumes all or substantially all of such Party's assets, (b) shall transfer all or substantially all of such Party's assets to any Person or (c) shall assign this Agreement to such Party's Affiliates, then, in each such case, the assigning Party (or its successors or permitted assigns, as applicable) shall ensure that the assignee or successor-in-interest expressly assumes in writing all of the obligations of the assigning Party under this Agreement, and the assigning Party shall not be required to seek consent, but shall provide written notice and evidence of such assignment, assumption or succession to the non-assigning Party. Subject to the preceding sentences, this Agreement will be binding upon, inure to the benefit of, and be enforceable by, the Parties and their respective successors and assigns. No assignment permitted by this Section 9.01 shall release the assigning Party from liability for the full performance of its obligations under this Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, in no event will the licenses granted in this Agreement extend to products, product lines, services, apparatus, devices, systems, components, hardware, software, processes, solutions, any combination of the foregoing, or other offerings of the assignee existing on or before the date of the transaction described in clauses (a)

### Section 9.02. <u>Counterparts; Entire Agreement; Corporate Power</u>.

- (a) This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, all of which counterparts shall be considered one and the same agreement, and shall become effective when one or more counterparts have been signed by each Party and delivered to the other Party. This Agreement may be executed by facsimile or PDF signature and scanned and exchanged by electronic mail, and such facsimile or PDF signature or scanned and exchanged copies shall constitute an original for all purposes.
- (b) This Agreement and the Schedules hereto contain the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersede all

previous agreements, negotiations, discussions, writings, understandings, commitments and conversations with respect to such subject matter, and there are no agreements or understandings between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof other than those set forth or referred to herein or therein. In the event of conflict or inconsistency between the provisions of this Agreement or the Separation Agreement, the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail.

- (c) Nuance represents on behalf of itself and each other member of the Nuance Group, and SpinCo represents on behalf of itself and each other member of the SpinCo Group, as follows:
- (i) each such Person has the requisite corporate or other power and authority and has taken all corporate or other action necessary in order to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby; and
- (ii) this Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by it and constitutes, or will constitute, a valid and binding agreement of it enforceable in accordance with the terms thereof.

Section 9.03. <u>Dispute Resolution</u>. In the event that either Party, acting reasonably, forms the view that another Party has caused a material breach of the terms of this Agreement, then the Party that forms such a view shall serve written notice of the alleged breach on the other Parties and the Parties shall work together in good faith to resolve any such alleged breach within thirty (30) days of such notice (a "<u>Dispute</u>"). If any such alleged breach is not so resolved, then a senior executive of each Party shall, in good faith, attempt to resolve any such alleged breach within the following thirty (30) days of the referral of the matter to the senior executives. If no resolution is reached with respect to any such alleged breach in accordance with the procedures contained in this <u>Section 9.03</u>, then the Parties may seek to resolve such matter in accordance with <u>Section 9.04</u>, <u>Section 9.05</u>, <u>Section 9.06</u> and <u>Section 9.07</u>

Section 9.04. Governing Law; Jurisdiction. Any disputes relating to, arising out of or resulting from this Agreement, including to its execution, performance or enforcement, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the Laws of the State of Delaware, regardless of the Laws that might otherwise govern under applicable principles of conflicts of Laws thereof. Each Party irrevocably consents to the exclusive jurisdiction, forum and venue of the Delaware Court of Chancery (and if the Delaware Court of Chancery shall be unavailable, any Delaware State court or the federal court sitting in the State of Delaware) over any and all claims, disputes, controversies or disagreements between the Parties or any of their respective Affiliates, successors and assigns under or related to this Agreement or any of the transactions contemplated hereby, including their execution, performance or enforcement, whether in contract, tort or otherwise. Each of the Parties hereby agrees that it shall not assert and shall hereby waive any claim or right or defense that it is not subject to the jurisdiction of such courts, that the venue is improper, that the forum is inconvenient or any similar objection, claim or argument. Each Party agrees that a final judgment in any legal proceeding resolved in accordance with this Section 9.04, Section 9.05, Section 9.06 and Section 9.07 shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by applicable Law.

Section 9.05. Waiver of Jury Trial. EACH PARTY HEREBY WAIVES ITS RIGHTS TO A JURY TRIAL OF ANY CLAIM OR CAUSE OF ACTION RELATING TO, ARISING OUT OF OR RESULTING FROM THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY INCLUDING THEIR EXECUTION, PERFORMANCE OR ENFORCEMENT, WHETHER IN CONTRACT, TORT OR OTHERWISE. THE SCOPE OF THIS WAIVER IS INTENDED TO BE ALL-ENCOMPASSING OF ANY AND ALL DISPUTES THAT MAY BE FILED IN ANY COURT AND THAT RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS TRANSACTION, INCLUDING CONTRACT CLAIMS, TORT CLAIMS (INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE), BREACH OF DUTY CLAIMS AND ALL OTHER COMMON LAW AND STATUTORY CLAIMS. THIS SECTION HAS BEEN FULLY DISCUSSED BY EACH OF THE PARTIES AND THESE PROVISIONS WILL NOT BE SUBJECT TO ANY EXCEPTIONS.

Section 9.06. <u>Court-Ordered Interim Relief.</u> In accordance with <u>Section 9.04</u> and <u>Section 9.05</u>, at any time after giving notice of a Dispute, each Party shall be entitled to interim measures of protection duly granted by a court of competent jurisdiction: (1) to preserve the status quo pending resolution of the Dispute; (2) to prevent the destruction or loss of documents and other information or things relating to the Dispute; or (3) to prevent the transfer, disposition or hiding of assets. Any such interim measure (or a request therefor to a court of competent jurisdiction) shall not be deemed incompatible with the provisions of <u>Section 9.03</u>, <u>Section 9.04</u> and <u>Section 9.05</u>. Until such Dispute is resolved in accordance with <u>Section 9.03</u> or final judgment is rendered in accordance with <u>Section 9.04</u> and <u>Section 9.05</u>, each Party agrees that such Party shall continue to perform its obligations under this Agreement and that such obligations shall not be subject to any defense or setoff, counterclaim, recoupment or termination.

Section 9.07. Specific Performance. Subject to Section 9.03 and Section 9.06, in the event of any actual or threatened default in, or breach of, any of the terms, conditions and provisions of this Agreement, the affected Party shall have the right to specific performance and injunctive or other equitable relief of its rights under this Agreement, in addition to any and all other rights and remedies at Law or in equity, and all such rights and remedies shall be cumulative. The other Party shall not oppose the granting of such relief on the basis that money damages are an adequate remedy. The Parties agree that the remedies at Law for any breach or threatened breach hereof, including monetary damages, are inadequate compensation for any loss and that any defense in any action for specific performance that a remedy at Law would be adequate is waived. Any requirements for the securing or posting of any bond or similar security with such remedy are waived.

Section 9.08. Third-Party Beneficiaries. Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein or as otherwise may be provided in the Separation Agreement with respect to the rights of any Nuance Indemnitee or SpinCo Indemnitee, in his, her or its respective capacities as such, (a) the provisions of this Agreement are solely for the benefit of the Parties hereto and are not intended to confer upon any Person except the Parties hereto any rights or remedies hereunder and (b) there are no third-party beneficiaries of this Agreement and this Agreement shall not provide any third person with any remedy, claim, liability, reimbursement, cause of action or other right in excess of those existing without reference to this Agreement.

Section 9.09. <u>Notices</u>. All notices or other communications under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to be duly given (a) when delivered in person, (b) on the date received, if sent by a nationally recognized delivery or courier service, (c) upon written confirmation of receipt after transmittal by electronic mail or (d) upon the earlier of confirmed receipt or the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) business day following the date of mailing if sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid and addressed as follows:

### If to Licensor, to:

Nuance Communications, Inc. 1 Wayside Road, Burlington, MA 01803

Attn: Wendy Cassity, EVP and Chief Legal Officer

email: wendy.cassity@nuance.com

with a copy to: David Garfinkel, SVP Corporate Development

email: David.garfinkel@nuance.com

Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP 1285 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10019-6064 Attn: Scott A. Barshay Steven J. Williams Michael E. Vogel email: sbarshay@paulweiss.com

email: sbarshay@paulweiss.com swilliams@paulweiss.com mvogel@paulweiss.com Facsimile: 212-492-0040

If to Licensee, to:

Cerence Inc.

15 Wayside Road, Burlington, MA 01803 Attn: Leanne Fitzgerald, General Counsel email: Leanne.Fitzgerald@cerence.com

with a copy to: Mark Gallenberger, Chief Financial Officer

email: Mark.Gallenberger@cerence.com

Either Party may, by notice to the other Party, change the address and identity of the Person to which such notices and copies of such notices are to be given. Each Party agrees that nothing in this Agreement shall affect the other Party's right to serve process in any other manner permitted by Law (including pursuant to the rules for foreign service of process authorized by the Hague Convention).

Section 9.10. <u>Import and Export Control</u>. Each Party agrees that it shall comply with all applicable national and international laws and regulations relating to import and/or export control in its country(ies), if any, involving any commodities, software, services or technology within the scope of this Agreement.

Section 9.11. <u>Bankruptcy.</u> The Parties acknowledge and agree that all rights and licenses granted by the other under or pursuant to this Agreement are, and shall otherwise be deemed to be, for purposes of Section 365(n) of the United States Bankruptcy Code, as amended (the "<u>Bankruptcy Code"</u>), licenses of rights to "intellectual property" as defined under Section 101 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Parties agree that, notwithstanding anything else in this Agreement, Nuance and the members of the Nuance Group and SpinCo and the members of the SpinCo Group, as licensees of such intellectual property rights under this Agreement, shall retain and may fully exercise all of its rights and elections under the Bankruptcy Code (including Nuance's and the Nuance Group members' and SpinCo's and the SpinCo Group members' right to the continued enjoyment of the rights and licenses respectively granted by under this Agreement).

Section 9.12. Severability. If any provision of this Agreement or the application thereof to any Person or circumstance is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void or unenforceable, the remaining provisions hereof, or the application of such provision to Persons or circumstances or in jurisdictions other than those as to which it has been held invalid or unenforceable, shall remain in full force and effect and shall in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated thereby, so long as the economic or legal substance of the transactions contemplated hereby is not affected in any manner materially adverse to either Party. Upon any such determination, any such provision, to the extent determined to be invalid, void or unenforceable, shall be deemed replaced by a provision that such court determines is valid and enforceable and that comes closest to expressing the intention of the invalid, void or unenforceable provision.

Section 9.13. Expenses. Except as set forth on Schedule XXIV to the Separation Agreement, as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement or the Separation Agreement, (i) all third-party fees, costs and expenses incurred by either the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group in connection with effecting the Spin-Off prior to or on the Distribution Date, whether payable prior to, on or following the Distribution Date (but excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, any financing fees or interest payable in respect of any indebtedness incurred by SpinCo in connection with the Spin-Off), will be borne and paid by Nuance and (ii) all third-party fees, costs and expenses incurred by either the Nuance Group or the SpinCo Group in connection with effecting the Spin-Off following the Distribution Date, whether payable prior to, on or following the Distribution Date, will be borne and paid by the Party incurring such fee, cost or expense. For the avoidance of doubt, this Section 9.13 shall not affect each Party's responsibility to indemnify Nuance Liabilities or SpinCo Liabilities, as applicable, arising from the transactions contemplated by the Distribution.

- Section 9.14. <u>Headings</u>. The article, section and paragraph headings contained in this Agreement, including in the table of contents of this Agreement, are for reference purposes only and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
- Section 9.15. <u>Survival of Covenants</u>. Except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, the covenants in this Agreement and the Liabilities for the breach of any obligations in this Agreement shall survive the Spin-Off and shall remain in full force and effect.
- Section 9.16. Waivers of Default. No failure or delay of any Party (or the applicable member of its Group) in exercising any right or remedy under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right or power, or any abandonment or discontinuance of steps to enforce such right or power, or any course of conduct, preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right or power. Waiver by any Party of any default by the other Party of any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver by the waiving Party of any subsequent or other default.
- Section 9.17. <u>Amendments</u>. No provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed waived, amended, supplemented or modified by any Party, unless such waiver, amendment, supplement or modification is in writing and signed by the authorized representative of each Party.
- Section 9.18. Interpretation. Words in the singular shall be held to include the plural and vice versa and words of one gender shall be held to include the other gender as the context requires. The terms "hereof," "herein," "herewith" and words of similar import, unless otherwise stated, shall be construed to refer to this Agreement as a whole (including all of the schedules hereto) and not to any particular provision of this Agreement. Article, Section or Schedule references are to the articles, sections and schedules of or to this Agreement unless otherwise specified. Any capitalized terms used in any Schedule to this Agreement but not otherwise defined therein shall have the meaning as defined in this Agreement. Any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument or other document herein (including any reference herein to this Agreement) shall, unless otherwise stated, 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 therein, including in Section 9.17 above). The word "including" and words of similar import when used in this Agreement shall mean "including, without limitation," unless the context otherwise requires or unless otherwise specified. The word "or" shall not be exclusive. The word "extent" in the phrase "to the extent" shall mean the degree to which a subject or other thing extends, and such phrase shall not mean simply "if." All references to "\$" or dollar amounts are to the lawful currency of the United States of America. In the event that an ambiguity or question of intent or interpretation arises, this Agreement shall be construed as if drafted jointly by the Parties, and no presumption or burden of proof shall arise favoring or disfavoring either Party by virtue of the authorship of any provisions hereof.

[SIGNATURE PAGES FOLLOW]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Transitional Trademark License Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives.

## NUANCE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By: /s/ Wendy Cassity

Name: Wendy Cassity

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Legal

Officer

## CERENCE INC.

By: /s/ Leanne Fitzgerald

Name: Leanne Fitzgerald

Title: Vice President and Secretary

[Signature Page to Transitional Trademark License Agreement]

## CREDIT AGREEMENT

dated as of October 1, 2019

CERENCE INC., as Borrower,

## THE LENDERS AND ISSUING BANKS PARTY HERETO,

BARCLAYS BANK PLC, as Administrative Agent,

BARCLAYS BANK PLC,

GOLDMAN SACHS BANK USA,

MORGAN STANLEY SENIOR FUNDING, INC.,

CITIBANK, N.A.

and

SUNTRUST ROBINSON HUMPHREY, INC.

as Joint Lead Arrangers and Joint Bookrunners,

Syndication Agents,

and

**Documentation Agents** 

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{CRAIG-HALLUM CAPITAL GROUP LLC,} \\ \text{as Co-Manager} \end{array}$ 

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CREDIT AGREEMENT, dated as of October 1, 2019 (this "<u>Agreement</u>"), among CERENCE INC., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the LENDERS party hereto from time to time, and BARCLAYS BANK PLC, as Administrative Agent (in such capacity, the "<u>Administrative Agent</u>") for the Lenders and Collateral Agent for the Secured Parties.

WHEREAS, the Borrower has requested the Lenders to extend credit as set forth herein;

WHEREAS, Nuance Communications, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Nuance</u>"), intends to spin-off (the "<u>Spin-Off</u>") the Borrower into a new publicly traded company, which will operate the automotive technology business owned by Nuance and its subsidiaries, as more fully described in the registration statement on Form 10, filed by the Borrower with the SEC on May 21, 2019, as amended (the "<u>Nuance Registration Statement</u>");

WHEREAS, Nuance and its subsidiaries will undertake a series of reorganization transactions in connection with the Spin-Off (the "Reorganization Transactions");

WHEREAS, in connection with the consummation of the Spin-Off, the Borrower will transfer a portion of the proceeds of the Term B Loans to Nuance (the "Nuance Transfer");

NOW, THEREFORE, the Lenders and the Issuing Banks are willing to extend such credit to the Borrower on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein. Accordingly, the parties hereto agree as follows:

## ARTICLE I

## Definitions

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

"ABR" shall mean, for any day, a fluctuating rate per annum equal to the highest of (a) the Federal Funds Effective Rate in effect for such day plus 0.50%, (b) the Prime Rate in effect on such day and (c) the Adjusted LIBO Rate for a one-month Interest Period on such day (or if such day is not a Business Day, the immediately preceding Business Day) plus 1.00%; provided, that for the avoidance of doubt, the LIBO Rate for any day shall be based on the rate determined on such day at approximately 11:00 a.m. (London time) by reference to the ICE Benchmark Administration Interest Settlement Rates (or the successor thereto if the ICE Benchmark Administration is no longer making a LIBO Rate available) for deposits in Dollars (as set forth by any service selected by the Administrative Agent that has been nominated by the ICE Benchmark Administration (or the successor thereto if the ICE Benchmark Administration is no longer making a LIBO Rate available) as an authorized vendor for the purpose of displaying such rates). Any change in such rate due to a change in the Prime Rate, the Federal Funds Effective Rate or the Adjusted LIBO Rate, as the case may be.

"ABR Borrowing" shall mean a Borrowing comprised of ABR Loans.

"ABR Loan" shall mean any ABR Term Loan or ABR Revolving Loan.

"ABR Revolving Facility Borrowing" shall mean a Borrowing comprised of ABR Revolving Loans.

"ABR Revolving Loan" shall mean any Revolving Facility Loan bearing interest at a rate determined by reference to the ABR in accordance with the provisions of Article II.

"ABR Term Loan" shall mean any Term Loan bearing interest at a rate determined by reference to the ABR in accordance with the provisions of Article II.

"Adjusted LIBO Rate" shall mean for any Interest Period: (A) as to any Eurocurrency Loan denominated in Dollars, (i) the rate per annum determined by the Administrative Agent to be the offered rate which appears on the page of the Reuters Screen which displays the London interbank offered rate administered by ICE Benchmark Administration Limited (such page currently being the LIBOR01 page) (the "US LIBO Rate") for deposits (for delivery on the first day of such Interest Period) with a term equivalent to such Interest Period in Dollars, determined as of approximately 11:00 a.m. (London, England time), two Business Days prior to the commencement of such Interest Period, or (ii) in the event the rate referenced in the preceding clause (i) does not appear on such page or service or if such page or service shall cease to be available, the rate determined by the Administrative Agent to be the offered rate on such other page or other service which displays the US LIBO Rate for deposits (for delivery on the first day of such Interest Period) with a term equivalent to such Interest Period in Dollars, determined as of approximately 11:00 a.m. (London, England time) two Business Days prior to the commencement of such Interest Period; provided that if US LIBO Rates are quoted under either of the preceding clauses (i) or (ii), but there is no such quotation for the Interest Period elected, the US LIBO Rate shall be equal to the Interpolated Rate; provided, further, that if any such rate determined pursuant to the preceding clauses (i) or (ii) is below 1.00%, the Eurocurrency Rate will be deemed to be 1.00%, (B) as to any Eurocurrency Loan denominated in Euros, (i) the rate per annum determined by the Administrative Agent to be the offered rate which appears on the page of the Reuters Screen which displays the European interbank offered rate administered by the Banking Federation of the European Union (such page currently being the EURIBOR01) (the "EURIBO Rate") for deposits (for delivery on the first day of such Interest Period) with a term equivalent to such Interest Period in Dollars, determined as of approximately 11:00 a.m. (Brussels, Belgium time), two Business Days prior to the commencement of such Interest Period, or (ii) in the event the rate referenced in the preceding clause (i) does not appear on such page or service or if such page or service shall cease to be available, the rate determined by the Administrative Agent to be the offered rate on such other page or other service which displays the EURIBO Rate for deposits (for delivery on the first day of such Interest Period) with a term equivalent to such Interest Period in Dollars, determined as of approximately 11:00 a.m. (London, England time) two Business Days prior to the commencement of such Interest Period; provided that if EURIBO Rates are quoted under either of the preceding clauses (i) or (ii), but there is no such quotation for the Interest Period elected, the EURIBO Rate shall be equal to the Interpolated Rate; provided, further, that if any such rate determined pursuant to the preceding clauses (i) or (ii) is below 1.00%, the Eurocurrency Rate will be deemed to be 1.00% and (C) as to any Eurocurrency Loan denominated in an Alternative Currency other than Euros, (i) the rate per annum determined by the Administrative Agent to be the offered rate which appears on the page of the Reuters Screen which displays the London interbank offered rate administered by ICE Benchmark Administration Limited (the "Alternate Currency LIBO Rate") for deposits (for delivery on the first day of such Interest Period) with a term equivalent to such Interest Period in such Alternate Currency, determined as of approximately 11:00 a.m. (London, England time), two Business Days prior to the commencement of such Interest Period, or (ii) in the event the rate referenced in the preceding clause (i) does not appear on such page or service or if such page or service shall cease to be available, the rate determined by the Administrative Agent to be the offered rate on such other page or other service which displays the Alternate Currency LIBO Rate for deposits (for delivery on the first day of such Interest Period) with a term equivalent to such Interest Period in such Alternate Currency, determined as of approximately 11:00 a.m. (London, England time) two Business Days prior to the commencement of such Interest Period; provided that if Alternate Currency LIBO Rates are quoted under either of the preceding clauses (i) or (ii), but there is no such quotation for the Interest Period elected, the Alternate Currency LIBO Rate shall be equal to the Interpolated Rate; provided, further, that if any such rate determined pursuant to the preceding clauses (i) or (ii) is below 1.00%, the Eurocurrency Rate will be deemed to be 1.00%.

- "Adjustment Date" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Pricing Grid."
- "<u>Administrative Agent</u>" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the introductory paragraph of this Agreement, together with its successors and assigns.
  - "Administrative Agent Fees" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.12(c).
- "Administrative Questionnaire" shall mean an Administrative Questionnaire in the form of Exhibit B or such other form supplied by the Administrative Agent.
- "Affiliate" shall mean, when used with respect to a specified person, another person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, Controls or is Controlled by or is under common Control with the person specified.
  - "Agents" shall mean the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent.
- "Agreement" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the introductory paragraph of this Agreement, as may be amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.
  - "Agreement Currency" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.19.
- "All-in Yield" shall mean, as to any Loans (or Pari Term Loans, if applicable), the sum of (i) the higher of (A) the Adjusted LIBO Rate on such date for a deposit in dollars with a maturity of one month and (B) the "LIBOR floor", if any, with respect thereto as of such date, (ii) the interest rate margins as of such date (with such interest rate margin and interest spreads to be determined by reference to the Adjusted LIBO Rate) and (iii) the amount of original issuance discount and/or upfront fees thereon (converted to yield assuming a four-year average life to maturity and without any present value discount) (it being understood that customary arrangement, commitment, underwriting, structuring or similar fees payable to any of the Arrangers (or their respective affiliates) in connection with the Facilities or to one or more arrangers or bookrunners (or their affiliates) of any Incremental Facility and customary consent fees for an amendment paid generally to consenting lenders shall be excluded).
- "Alternate Currency" shall mean (i) with respect to any Letter of Credit, Canadian dollars, euros, British pounds sterling and any other currency other than Dollars as may be acceptable to the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank with respect thereto in their sole discretion and (ii) with respect to any Loan, any currency other than Dollars that is approved in accordance with Section 1.05.
- "<u>Alternate Currency Equivalent</u>" shall mean, at any time, with respect to any amount denominated in Dollars, the equivalent amount thereof in the applicable Alternate Currency as determined by the Administrative Agent or the applicable Issuing Bank, as the case may be, at such time on the basis of the Spot Rate (determined in respect of the most recent Revaluation Date) for the purchase of such Alternate Currency with Dollars.
  - "Alternate Currency Letter of Credit" shall mean any Letter of Credit denominated in an Alternate Currency.

- "Alternate Currency Loan" shall mean any Loan denominated in an Alternate Currency.
- "Anti-Corruption Laws" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 3.26.
- "Applicable Commitment Fee" shall mean for any day (i) with respect to any Revolving Facility Commitments relating to Initial Revolving Loans, 0.50% per annum; provided, however, that on and after the first Adjustment Date occurring after delivery of the financial statements and certificates required by Section 5.04 upon the completion of one full fiscal quarter of the Borrower after the Closing Date, the "Applicable Commitment Fee" will be determined pursuant to the Pricing Grid; or (ii) with respect to any Other Revolving Facility Commitments, the "Applicable Commitment Fee" set forth in the applicable Incremental Assumption Agreement.
  - "Applicable Date" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.08(f).
- "Applicable Margin" shall mean for any day (i) with respect to any Term B Loan, 6.00% per annum in the case of any Eurocurrency Loan and 5.00% per annum in the case of any ABR Loan; (ii) with respect to any Initial Revolving Loan, 6.00% per annum in the case of any Eurocurrency Loan and 5.00% per annum in the case of any ABR Loan; provided, however, that on and after the first Adjustment Date occurring after delivery of the financial statements and certificates required by Section 5.04 upon the completion of one full fiscal quarter of the Borrower after the Closing Date, the "Applicable Margin" with respect to an Initial Revolving Loan will be determined pursuant to the Pricing Grid; and (iii) with respect to any Other Term Loan or Other Revolving Loan, the "Applicable Margin" set forth in the Incremental Assumption Agreement relating thereto.
  - "Applicable Period" shall mean an Excess Cash Flow Period.
  - "Approved Fund" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.04(b)(ii).
- "<u>Arrangers</u>" shall mean, collectively, Barclays Bank PLC, Goldman Sachs Bank USA, Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc. Citibank, N.A. and SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.
- "Asset Sale" shall mean any loss, damage, destruction or condemnation of, or any Disposition (including any sale and leaseback of assets and any mortgage or lease of Real Property) to any person of, any asset or assets of the Borrower or any Subsidiary.
  - "Assignee" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.04(b)(i).
- "<u>Assignment and Acceptance</u>" shall mean an assignment and acceptance entered into by a Lender and an Assignee, and accepted by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower (if required by Section 9.04), in the form of <u>Exhibit A</u> or such other form (including electronic documentation generated by use of an electronic platform) as shall be approved by the Administrative Agent and reasonably satisfactory to the Borrower.
  - "Assignor" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.04(i).
- "Availability Period" shall mean, with respect to any Class of Revolving Facility Commitments, the period from and including the Closing Date (or, if later, the effective date for such Class of Revolving Facility Commitments) to but excluding the earlier of the Revolving Facility Maturity Date for such Class and, in the case of each of the Revolving Facility Loans, Revolving Facility Borrowings, and Letters of Credit, the date of termination of the Revolving Facility Commitments of such Class.

"Available Unused Commitment" shall mean, with respect to a Revolving Facility Lender under any Class of Revolving Facility Commitments at any time, an amount equal to the Dollar Equivalent of the amount by which (a) the applicable Revolving Facility Commitment of such Revolving Facility Lender at such time exceeds (b) the applicable Revolving Facility Credit Exposure of such Revolving Facility Lender at such time.

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

"Bail-In Legislation" shall mean, 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 for such EEA Member Country from time to time which is described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule.

"Benchmark Replacement" means the sum of: (a) the alternate benchmark rate (which may include Term SOFR) that has been selected by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower giving due consideration to (i) any selection or recommendation of a replacement 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 rate of interest as a replacement to the U.S. LIBO Rate for U.S. dollar-denominated syndicated credit facilities and (b) the Benchmark Replacement Adjustment; provided that, if the Benchmark Replacement as so determined would be less than 1.00% per annum, the Benchmark Replacement will be deemed to be 1.00% per annum for the purposes of this Agreement.

"Benchmark Replacement Adjustment" means, with respect to any replacement of the LIBO Rate with an Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement for each applicable Interest Period, 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 giving due consideration (i) to any selection or recommendation of a spread adjustment, or method for calculating or determining such spread adjustment, for the replacement of the LIBO Rate with the applicable Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement by the Relevant Governmental Body 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 the LIBO Rate 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, any technical, administrative or operational changes (including changes to the definition of "ABR," the definition of "Interest Period," timing and frequency of determining rates and making payments of interest and other administrative matters) that the Administrative Agent and the Borrower decide 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 and the Borrower determine that no market practice for the administration of the Benchmark Replacement exists, in such other manner of administration as the Administrative Agent and the Borrower decide is reasonably necessary in connection with the administration of this Agreement).

"Benchmark Replacement Date" means the earlier to occur of the following events with respect to the LIBO Rate:

(a) In the case of clause (a) or (b) of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event", the later of (i) the date of the public statement or publication of information referenced therein and (ii) the date on which the administrator of the LIBO Rate permanently or indefinitely ceases to provide the LIBO Rate; or

- (b) in the case of clause (c) of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event," the date of the public statement or publication of information referenced therein.
  - "Benchmark Transition Event" means the occurrence of one or more of the following events with respect to the LIBO Rate:
- (a) a public statement or publication of information by or on behalf of the administrator of the LIBO Rate announcing that such administrator has ceased or will cease to provide the LIBO Rate, permanently or indefinitely; <u>provided</u> that, at the time of such statement or publication, there is no successor administrator that will continue to provide the LIBO Rate;
- (b) a public statement or publication of information by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of the LIBO Rate, the U.S. Federal Reserve System, an insolvency official with jurisdiction over the administrator for the LIBO Rate, a resolution authority with jurisdiction over the administrator for the LIBO Rate or a court or an entity with similar insolvency or resolution authority over the administrator for LIBO Rate, which states that the administrator of LIBO Rate has ceased or will cease to provide LIBO Rate permanently or indefinitely; <u>provided</u> that, at the time of such statement or publication, there is no successor administrator that will continue to provide the LIBO Rate; or
- (c) a public statement or publication of information by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of the LIBO Rate announcing that the LIBO Rate is no longer representative.
- "Benchmark Transition Start Date" means (a) in the case of a Benchmark Transition Event, the earlier of (i) the applicable Benchmark Replacement Date and (ii) if such Benchmark Transition Event is a public statement or publication of information of a prospective event, the 90th day prior to the expected date of such event as of such public statement or publication of information (or if the expected date of such prospective event is fewer than 90 days after such statement or publication, the date of such statement or publication) and (b) in the case of an Early Opt-in Election, the date specified by the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders, as applicable, by notice to the Borrower, the Administrative Agent (in the case of such notice by the Required Lenders) and the Lenders.
- "Benchmark Unavailability Period" means, if a Benchmark Transition Event and its related Benchmark Replacement Date have occurred with respect to the LIBO Rate and solely to the extent that the LIBO Rate has not been replaced with a Benchmark Replacement, the period (x) beginning at the time that such Benchmark Replacement Date has occurred if, at such time, no Benchmark Replacement has replaced the LIBO Rate for all purposes hereunder in accordance with Section 2.14 and (y) ending at the time that a Benchmark Replacement has replaced the LIBO Rate for all purposes hereunder pursuant to Section 2.14.
- "Beneficial Ownership Certification" shall mean a certification regarding beneficial ownership required by the Beneficial Ownership Regulation.
  - "Beneficial Ownership Regulation" shall mean 31 C.F.R. § 1010.230.

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

"Board" shall mean the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System of the United States of America.

"Board of Directors" shall mean, as to any person, the board of directors or other governing body of such person, or if such person is owned or managed by a single entity, the board of directors or other governing body of such entity.

"Borrower" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the introductory paragraph.

"Borrower Materials" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.17(a).

"Borrowing" shall mean a group of Loans of a single Type under a single Facility, and made on a single date and, in the case of Eurocurrency Loans, as to which a single Interest Period is in effect.

"Borrowing Minimum" shall mean (a) in the case of Eurocurrency Loans, \$1,000,000 and (b) in the case of ABR Loans, \$1,000,000.

"Borrowing Multiple" shall mean (a) in the case of Eurocurrency Loans, \$500,000 and (b) in the case of ABR Loans, \$250,000.

"Borrowing Request" shall mean a request by the Borrower in accordance with the terms of Section 2.03 and substantially in the form of Exhibit D or another form approved by the Administrative Agent (including any form on an electronic platform or electronic transmission system as shall be approved by the Administrative Agent).

"Budget" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.04(e).

"Business Day" shall mean any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banks in New York City are authorized or required by law to remain closed; <u>provided</u>, that when used in connection with a Eurocurrency Loan, the term "Business Day" shall also exclude any day on which banks are not open for dealings in deposits in Dollars in the London interbank market.

"Capital Expenditures" shall mean, for any person in respect of any period, the aggregate of all expenditures incurred by such person during such period that, in accordance with GAAP, are or should be included in "additions to property, plant or equipment" or similar items reflected in the statement of cash flows of such person.

"Capitalized Lease Obligations" shall mean, at the time any determination thereof is to be made, the amount of the liability in respect of a capital lease that would at such time be required to be capitalized and reflected as a liability on a balance sheet (excluding the footnotes thereto) in accordance with GAAP; provided that obligations of the Borrower or its Subsidiaries, or of a special purpose or other entity not consolidated with the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, either existing as of December 31, 2018 or created thereafter that (1) (a) were not included on the consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower as capital lease obligations or finance lease obligations as of December 31, 2018 and were subsequently recharacterized as capital lease obligations or finance lease obligations or, in the case of such a special purpose or other entity becoming consolidated with the Borrower and its Subsidiaries were required to be characterized as capital lease obligations or finance lease obligation, in either case, due to a change in accounting treatment or otherwise, or (b) did not exist as of December 31, 2018 and were required to be characterized as capital lease obligations or finance lease obligations but would not have been required to be treated as capital lease obligations or finance lease obligations as of December 31, 2018 had they existed at that time, shall for all purposes not be treated as Capitalized Lease

Obligations or Indebtedness or (2) (a) were included on the consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower as capital lease obligations or finance lease obligations as of December 31, 2018, or (b) did not exist as of December 31, 2018 and would have been required to be treated as capital lease obligations or finance lease obligations as of December 31, 2018 had they existed at that time, shall for all purposes be treated as Capitalized Lease Obligations.

"Capitalized Software Expenditures" shall mean, for any period, the aggregate of all expenditures (whether paid in cash or accrued as liabilities) by a person during such period in respect of licensed or purchased software or internally developed software and software enhancements that, in accordance with GAAP, are or are required to be reflected as capitalized costs on the consolidated balance sheet of such person and its subsidiaries.

"Cash Collateralize" shall mean to pledge and deposit with or deliver to the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of one or more of the Issuing Banks or Lenders, as collateral for Revolving L/C Exposure or obligations of the Lenders to fund participations in respect of Revolving L/C Exposure, cash or deposit account balances or, if the Administrative Agent and each applicable Issuing Bank shall agree in their sole discretion, other credit support, in each case pursuant to documentation in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and each applicable Issuing Bank. "Cash Collateral" and "Cash Collateralization" shall have a meaning correlative to the foregoing and shall include the proceeds of such cash collateral and other credit support.

"Cash Interest Expense" shall mean, with respect to the Borrower and the Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis for any period, Interest Expense for such period to the extent such amounts are paid in cash for such period, excluding, without duplication, in any event (a) pay-in-kind Interest Expense or other non-cash Interest Expense (including as a result of the effects of purchase accounting), (b) to the extent included in Interest Expense, the amortization of any financing fees paid by, or on behalf of, the Borrower or any Subsidiary, including such fees paid in connection with the Transactions or upon entering into a Permitted Securitization Financing, and (c) the amortization of debt discounts, if any, or fees in respect of Hedging Agreements; provided, that Cash Interest Expense shall exclude any one time financing fees, including those paid in connection with the Transactions or upon entering into a Permitted Securitization Financing or any amendment of this Agreement.

"Cash Management Agreement" shall mean any agreement to provide to the Borrower or any Subsidiary cash management services for collections, treasury management services (including controlled disbursement, overdraft, automated clearing house fund transfer services, return items and interstate depository network services), any demand deposit, payroll, trust or operating account relationships, commercial credit cards, merchant card, purchase or debit cards, non-card e-payables services, and other cash management services, including electronic funds transfer services, lockbox services, stop payment services and wire transfer services.

"Cash Management Bank" shall mean any person that, at the time it enters into a Cash Management Agreement (or on the Closing Date in the case of any Cash Management Agreement existing on the Closing Date), is (a) an Agent, an Arranger, a Lender or an Affiliate of any such person, in each case, in its capacity as a party to such Cash Management Agreement or (b) listed in Schedule 1.01(G).

"CFC" shall mean a "controlled foreign corporation" within the meaning of Section 957(a) of the Code.

A "<u>Change in Control</u>" shall be deemed to occur if any person, entity or "group" (within the meaning of Section 13(d) or 14(d) of the Exchange Act, but excluding any employee benefit plan of such person, entity or "group" and its subsidiaries and any person or entity acting in its capacity as trustee, agent or other fiduciary or administrator of any such plan) shall at any time have acquired direct or indirect beneficial ownership (as defined in Rules 13(d)-3 and 13(d)-5 under the Exchange Act) of voting power of the outstanding Voting Stock of the Borrower having more than 50% of the ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the Borrower.

In addition, notwithstanding the foregoing, a transaction in which the Borrower becomes a subsidiary of another person (such person, the "New Parent") shall not constitute a Change of Control if, immediately following the consummation of such transaction, no person, entity or "group" (within the meaning of Section 13(d) or 14(d) of the Exchange Act, but excluding any employee benefit plan of such person, entity or "group" and its subsidiaries and any person or entity acting in its capacity as trustee, agent or other fiduciary or administrator of any such plan), other than the New Parent or any subsidiary of the New Parent, beneficially owns, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, voting power of the Voting Stock of the Borrower or the New Parent having more than 50% of the ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the Borrower or the New Parent.

"Change in Law" shall mean (a) the adoption of any law, rule or regulation after the Closing Date, (b) any change in law, treaty, rule or regulation or in the interpretation or application thereof by any Governmental Authority after the Closing Date or (c) compliance by any Lender (or, for purposes of Section 2.15(b), by any Lending Office of such Lender or by such Lender's holding company, if any) with any written request, guideline or directive (whether or not having the force of law) of any Governmental Authority made or issued after the Closing Date; provided, however, that notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, (x) all requests, rules, guidelines or directives under or issued in connection with the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, all interpretations and applications thereof and any compliance by a Lender with any request or directive relating thereto and (y) all requests, rules, guidelines or directives promulgated under or in connection with, all interpretations and applications of, or any compliance by a Lender with any request or directive relating to International Settlements, the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (or any successor or similar authority) or the United States of America or foreign regulatory authorities, in each case pursuant to Basel III, shall in each case under clauses (x) and (y) be deemed to be a "Change in Law" but only to the extent a Lender is imposing applicable increased costs or costs in connection with capital adequacy requirements similar to those described in clauses (a) and (b) of Section 2.15 generally on other borrowers of loans under United States of America cash flow term loan credit facilities.

"Charges" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.09.

"Class" shall mean, (a) when used in respect of any Loan or Borrowing, whether such Loan or the Loans comprising such Borrowing are Term B Loans, Other Term Loans, Initial Revolving Loans, Extended Revolving Loans or Other Revolving Loans; and (b) when used in respect of any Commitment, whether such Commitment is in respect of a commitment to make Term B Loans, Other Term Loans, Initial Revolving Loans, Extended Revolving Loans or Other Revolving Loans that have different terms and conditions (together with the Commitments in respect thereof) from the Term B Loans or the Initial Revolving Loans, respectively, or from other Other Term Loans or other Extended Revolving Loans or other Revolving Loans, as applicable, shall each be construed to be in separate and distinct Classes.

"Class Loans" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.08(f).

"Closing Date" shall mean October 1, 2019.

"Closing Date Mortgaged Properties" shall mean the Material Real Properties identified on Schedule 1.01(E) hereto on the Closing Date.

- "Co-Manager" shall mean Craig-Hallum Capital Group LLC, a Minnesota limited liability company.
- "Code" shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- "Collateral" shall mean all the "Collateral" (or equivalent term) as defined in any Security Document and shall also include the Mortgaged Properties and all other property that is subject to any Lien in favor of the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent or any Subagent for the benefit of the Secured Parties pursuant to any Security Document.
- "Collateral Agent" shall mean the Administrative Agent acting as collateral agent for the Secured Parties, together with its successors and permitted assigns in such capacity.
- "Collateral Agreement" shall mean the Collateral Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, as may be amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, among the Borrower, each Subsidiary Loan Party and the Collateral Agent.
- "Collateral and Guarantee Requirement" shall mean the requirement that (in each case subject to Sections 5.10(d), (e) and (g) and Schedule 5.12):
  - (a) on the Closing Date, the Collateral Agent shall have received (i) from the Borrower and each Subsidiary Loan Party, a counterpart of the Collateral Agreement and (ii) from each Subsidiary Loan Party, a counterpart of the Subsidiary Guarantee Agreement, in each case duly executed and delivered on behalf of such person;
  - (b) on the Closing Date, (i)(x) all outstanding Equity Interests directly owned by the Loan Parties, other than Excluded Securities, and (y) all Indebtedness owing to any Loan Party, other than Excluded Securities, shall have been pledged pursuant to the Collateral Agreement, and (ii) the Collateral Agent shall have received certificates or other instruments (if any) representing such Equity Interests and any notes or other instruments required to be delivered pursuant to the applicable Security Documents, together with stock powers, note powers or other instruments of transfer (if any) with respect thereto endorsed in blank (other than share certificates issued by Foreign Subsidiaries, which shall not be required to be delivered);
  - (c) in the case of any person that becomes a Subsidiary Loan Party after the Closing Date, the Collateral Agent shall have received (i) a supplement to the Collateral Agreement and the Subsidiary Guarantee Agreement and (ii) supplements to the other Security Documents, if applicable, in the form specified therefor or otherwise reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, in each case, duly executed and delivered on behalf of such Subsidiary Loan Party;
  - (d) after the Closing Date, (x) all outstanding Equity Interests of any person that becomes a Subsidiary Loan Party after the Closing Date and (y) subject to Section 5.10(g), all Equity Interests directly acquired by the Borrower or a Subsidiary Loan Party after the Closing Date, other than Excluded Securities, shall have been pledged pursuant to the Collateral Agreement, together with stock powers or other instruments of transfer (if any) with respect thereto endorsed in blank (other than share certificates issued by Foreign Subsidiaries, which shall not be required to be delivered);

(e) except as otherwise contemplated by this Agreement or any Security Document, all documents and instruments, including Uniform Commercial Code financing statements, and filings with the United States Copyright Office and the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and all other actions reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent (including those required by applicable Requirements of Law) to be delivered, filed, registered or recorded to create the Liens intended to be created by the Security Documents (in each case, including any supplements thereto) and perfect such Liens to the extent required by, and with the priority required by, the Security Documents, shall have been filed, registered or recorded or delivered to the Collateral Agent for filing, registration or the recording concurrently with, or promptly following, the execution and delivery of each such Security Document;

(f) within (x) 90 days after the Closing Date with respect to each Closing Date Mortgaged Property set forth on Schedule 1.01(E) (or on such later date as the Administrative Agent may agree in its reasonable discretion) and (y) the time periods set forth in Section 5.10 with respect to Mortgaged Properties encumbered pursuant to said Section 5.10, the Collateral Agent shall have received (i) counterparts of each Mortgage to be entered into with respect to each such Mortgaged Property duly executed and delivered by the record owner of such Mortgaged Property and suitable for recording or filing in all filing or recording offices that the Administrative Agent may reasonably deem necessary or desirable in order to create a valid and enforceable Lien subject to no other Liens except Permitted Liens, at the time of recordation thereof, (ii) with respect to the Mortgage encumbering each such Mortgaged Property, opinions of counsel regarding the enforceability, due authorization, execution and delivery of the Mortgages and such other matters customarily covered in real estate counsel opinions as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request, in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, (iii) with respect to each such Mortgaged Property, the Flood Documentation and (iv) such other documents as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request that are available to the Borrower without material expense with respect to any such Mortgage or Mortgaged Property; provided that, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, if any Loan Party shall be required to deliver a Mortgage on any new or additional Mortgaged Property pursuant to this Agreement or any other Loan Document, no such Mortgage shall be (nor be required to be) granted by the applicable Loan Party nor accepted by the Collateral Agent until (x) each Revolving Facility Lender has received the Flood Documentation, at least twenty days in advance of signing, and (y) receipt of confirmation from the Administrative Agent that each Revolving Facility Lender has confirmed to the Administrative Agent that it has completed its flood insurance due diligence to its reasonable satisfaction.

(g) within (x) 90 days after the Closing Date with respect to each Closing Date Mortgaged Property set forth on  $\underline{Schedule~1.01(E)}$  (or on such later date as the Administrative Agent may agree in its reasonable discretion) and (y) the time periods set forth in Section 5.10 with respect to Mortgaged Properties encumbered pursuant to said Section 5.10, the Collateral Agent shall have received (i) a policy or policies or marked up unconditional binder of title insurance with respect to each such Mortgaged Property located in the United States of America, or a date-down and modification endorsement, if available, in an amount reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent with respect to such Mortgaged Property (not to exceed the fair market value of the applicable Mortgaged Property, as determined in good faith by the Borrower), paid for by the Borrower, issued by a nationally recognized title insurance company, insuring the Lien of each Mortgage as a valid Lien on the Mortgaged Property described therein, free of any other Liens except Permitted Liens, together with such customary endorsements, coinsurance and reinsurance as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request and which are available at commercially reasonable rates in the jurisdiction where the applicable Mortgaged Property is located, (ii) a survey or "express map" (or other aerial map) of each Mortgaged Property (including all improvements, easements and other customary matters thereon reasonably required by the Administrative Agent), as applicable, for which all necessary fees (where applicable) have been paid with respect to each such Mortgaged Property located in the United States of America,

which is (A) in the case of a survey, complying in all material respects with the minimum detail requirements of the American Land Title Association and American Congress of Surveying and Mapping as such requirements are in effect on the date of preparation of such survey and (B) in each case, sufficient for such title insurance company to remove all standard survey exceptions from the title insurance policy relating to such Mortgaged Property and issue the customary survey related endorsements or otherwise reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and (iii) appraisals with respect to each such Mortgaged Property complying in all material respects with FIRREA and USPAP, in each case, to the extent required by applicable law;

- (h) the Collateral Agent shall have received evidence of the insurance required by the terms of Section 5.02 hereof; and
- (i) after the Closing Date, the Collateral Agent shall have received (i) such other Security Documents as may be required to be delivered pursuant to Section 5.10 or the Collateral Agreement, and (ii) upon reasonable request by the Administrative Agent, evidence of compliance with any other requirements of Section 5.10.
  - "Commitment Fee" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.12(a).
  - "Commitments" shall mean, with respect to any Lender, such Lender's Revolving Facility Commitment and Term Facility Commitment.
- "Commodity Exchange Act" shall mean the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. § 1 et seq.), as amended from time to time, and any successor statute.

"Conduit Lender" shall mean any special purpose corporation organized and administered by any Lender for the purpose of making Loans otherwise required to be made by such Lender and designated by such Lender in a written instrument; provided, that the designation by any Lender of a Conduit Lender shall not relieve the designating Lender of any of its obligations to fund a Loan under this Agreement if, for any reason, its Conduit Lender fails to fund any such Loan, and the designating Lender (and not the Conduit Lender) shall have the sole right and responsibility to deliver all consents and waivers required or requested under this Agreement with respect to its Conduit Lender; provided, further, that no Conduit Lender shall (a) be entitled to receive any greater amount pursuant to Sections 2.15, 2.16, 2.17 or 9.05 than the designating Lender would have been entitled to receive in respect of the extensions of credit made by such Conduit Lender unless the designation of such Conduit Lender is made with the prior written consent of the Borrower (not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed), which consent shall specify that it is being made pursuant to the proviso in the definition of "Conduit Lender" and provided that the designating Lender provides such information as the Borrower reasonably requests in order for the Borrower to determine whether to provide its consent or (b) be deemed to have any Commitment.

"Consolidated Debt" at any date shall mean the sum of (without duplication) all Indebtedness (other than letters of credit or bank guarantees, to the extent undrawn) consisting of Indebtedness for borrowed money, Capitalized Lease Obligations, and third party debt obligations evidenced by promissory notes or similar instruments (and, excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, Hedging Obligations) of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries determined on a consolidated basis on such date in accordance with GAAP.

"Consolidated Net Income" shall mean, with respect to any person for any period, the aggregate of the Net Income of such person and its subsidiaries for such period, on a consolidated basis; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that, without duplication,

- (i) any net after-tax extraordinary, exceptional, nonrecurring or unusual gains or losses or income or expense or charge (less all fees and expenses relating thereto), any severance, relocation or other restructuring expenses (including any cost or expense related to employment of terminated employees), any expenses related to any reconstruction, decommissioning, recommissioning or reconfiguration of fixed assets for alternative uses, fees, expenses or charges relating to closing costs, rebranding costs, curtailments or modifications to pension and post-retirement employee benefit plans, excess pension charges, acquisition integration costs, opening costs, recruiting costs, signing, retention or completion bonuses, litigation and arbitration costs, charges, fees and expenses (including settlements), and expenses or charges related to any offering of Equity Interests or debt securities of the Borrower, any Investment, acquisition, Disposition, recapitalization or incurrence, issuance, repayment, repurchase, refinancing, amendment or modification of Indebtedness (in each case, whether or not successful), and any fees, expenses, charges or change in control payments related to the Transactions (including any costs relating to auditing prior periods, any transition-related expenses, and Transaction Expenses incurred before, on or after the Closing Date), in each case, shall be excluded,
- (ii) any net after-tax income or loss from Disposed of, abandoned, closed or discontinued operations or fixed assets and any net after-tax gain or loss on the Dispositions of Disposed of, abandoned, closed or discontinued operations or fixed assets shall be excluded,
- (iii) any net after-tax gain or loss (less all fees and expenses or charges relating thereto) attributable to business Dispositions or asset Dispositions other than in the ordinary course of business (as determined in good faith by the management of the Borrower) shall be excluded,
- (iv) any net after-tax income or loss (less all fees and expenses or charges relating thereto) attributable to the early extinguishment or buy-back of indebtedness, Hedging Agreements or other derivative instruments shall be excluded,
- (v) (A) the Net Income for such period of any person that is not a subsidiary of such person, or is an Unrestricted Subsidiary, or that is accounted for by the equity method of accounting, shall be included only to the extent of the amount of dividends or distributions or other payments paid in cash (or to the extent converted into cash) to the referent person or a subsidiary thereof (other than an Unrestricted Subsidiary of such referent person) in respect of such period and (B) the Net Income for such period shall include any dividend, distribution or other payment in cash (or to the extent converted into cash) received by the referent person or a subsidiary thereof (other than an Unrestricted Subsidiary of such referent person) from any person in excess of, but without duplication of, the amounts included in subclause (A),
  - (vi) the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principles during such period shall be excluded,
- (vii) effects of purchase accounting adjustments (including the effects of such adjustments pushed down to such person and its subsidiaries and including the effects of adjustments to (A) deferred rent, (B) Capitalized Lease Obligations or other obligations or deferrals attributable to capital spending funds with suppliers or (C) any deferrals of revenue) in component amounts required or permitted by GAAP, resulting from the application of purchase accounting or the amortization or write-off of any amounts thereof, net of taxes, shall be excluded,

- (viii) any impairment charges or asset write-offs, in each case pursuant to GAAP, and the amortization of intangibles and other fair value adjustments arising pursuant to GAAP, shall be excluded,
- (ix) any (a) non-cash compensation charge or (b) costs or expenses realized or resulting from stock option plans, employee benefit plans or post-employment benefit plans, or grants or sales of stock, stock appreciation or similar rights, stock options, restricted stock, preferred stock or other rights shall be excluded,
- (x) accruals and reserves that are established or adjusted in connection with the Transactions or within twelve months after the Closing Date or the closing of any acquisition or investment and that are so required to be established or adjusted in accordance with GAAP or as a result of adoption or modification of accounting policies shall be excluded,
- (xi) non-cash gains, losses, income and expenses resulting from fair value accounting required by the applicable standard under GAAP and related interpretation shall be excluded,
  - (xii) any gain, loss, income, expense or charge resulting from the application of any LIFO method shall be excluded,
  - (xiii) any non-cash charges for deferred tax asset valuation allowances shall be excluded,
- (xiv) any currency translation gains and losses related to currency remeasurements of Indebtedness, and any net loss or gain resulting from Hedging Agreements for currency exchange risk, shall be excluded,
  - (xv) [reserved],
  - (xvi) [reserved],
- (xvii) (A) to the extent covered by insurance and actually reimbursed, or, so long as such person has made a determination that there exists reasonable evidence that such amount will in fact be reimbursed by the insurer and only to the extent that such amount is (x) not denied by the applicable carrier in writing within 180 days and (y) in fact reimbursed within 365 days following the date of such evidence (with a deduction for any amount so added back to the extent not so reimbursed within such 365 days), expenses with respect to liability or casualty events or business interruption shall be excluded; and (B) amounts estimated in good faith to be received from insurance in respect of lost revenues or earnings in respect of liability or casualty events or business interruption shall be included (with a deduction for amounts actually received up to such estimated amount to the extent included in Net Income in a future period),
  - (xviii) [reserved], and
  - (xix) Capitalized Software Expenditures and software development costs shall be excluded.

"Consolidated Total Assets" shall mean, as of any date of determination, the total assets of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries, determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP, as set forth on the consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower as of the last day of the fiscal quarter most recently ended for which financial statements have been (or were required to be) delivered pursuant to Section 4.02(e), 5.04(a) or 5.04(b), as applicable, calculated on a Pro Forma Basis after giving effect to any acquisition or Disposition of a person or assets that may have occurred on or after the last day of such fiscal quarter.

"Continuing Letter of Credit" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.05(k).

"Control" shall mean the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of a person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise, and "Controlling" and "Controlled" shall have meanings correlative thereto.

"Convertible Securities" shall mean debt securities, the terms of which provide for conversion into Equity Interests (other than Disqualified Stock), cash or a combination thereof.

"Credit Event" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Article IV.

"Cumulative Credit" shall mean, at any date, an amount, not less than zero in the aggregate, determined on a cumulative basis equal to, without duplication:

- (a) [reserved], plus
- (b) an amount, not less than zero in the aggregate, equal to 50% of the Consolidated Net Income of the Borrower for the period (taken as one accounting period) from the first day of the fiscal quarter during which the Closing Date occurs to the end of the Borrower's most recently ended fiscal quarter for which internal financial statements are available at such date, <u>plus</u>
  - (c) [reserved], plus
  - (d) [reserved], plus
- (e) (i) the cumulative amount of proceeds (including cash and the fair market value (as determined in good faith by the Borrower) of property other than cash) from the sale of common Equity Interests of the Borrower after the Closing Date and on or prior to such time (including upon exercise of warrants or options) and (ii) common Equity Interests of the Borrower issued upon conversion of Indebtedness (other than Indebtedness that is contractually subordinated to the Loan Obligations in right of payment) of the Borrower or any Subsidiary owed to a person other than the Borrower or a Subsidiary; provided, that this clause (e) shall exclude Permitted Cure Securities, sales of Equity Interests financed as contemplated by Section 6.04(e) or used as described in clause (ix) of the definition of "EBITDA", any amount used to incur Indebtedness under Section 6.01(l) and any amounts used to finance the payments or distributions in respect of any Junior Financing pursuant to Section 6.09(b), plus
- (f) 100% of the aggregate amount of contributions as common equity to the capital of the Borrower received in cash (and the fair market value (as determined in good faith by the Borrower) of property other than cash) after the Closing Date (subject to the same exclusions as are applicable to clause (e) above); <u>plus</u>
- (g) 100% of the aggregate principal amount of any Indebtedness (including the liquidation preference or maximum fixed repurchase price, as the case may be, of any Disqualified Stock) of the Borrower or any Subsidiary thereof issued after the Closing Date (other than Indebtedness issued to a Subsidiary), which has been converted into or exchanged for Equity Interests (other than Disqualified Stock) in the Borrower, <u>plus</u>

- (h) [reserved], plus
- (i) in the event any Unrestricted Subsidiary has been redesignated as a Subsidiary or has been merged, consolidated or amalgamated with or into, or transfers or conveys its assets to, or is liquidated into, the Borrower or any Subsidiary, the fair market value (as determined in good faith by the Borrower) of the Investments made pursuant to Section 6.04(j)(Y) of the Borrower or any Subsidiary in such Unrestricted Subsidiary at the time of such redesignation, combination or transfer (or of the assets transferred or conveyed, as applicable), <u>plus</u>
- (j) an amount equal to any returns (including dividends, interest, distributions, returns of principal, profits on sale or other disposition, repayments, repurchases, redemptions, income and similar amounts) actually received by the Borrower or any Subsidiary in respect of any Investments made pursuant to Section 6.04(j)(Y), minus
  - (k) any amounts thereof used to make Investments pursuant to Section 6.04(j)(Y) after the Closing Date prior to such time, minus
  - (l) the cumulative amount of Restricted Payments made pursuant to Section 6.06(e) prior to such time, minus
- (m) any amount thereof used to make payments or distributions in respect of Junior Financings pursuant to Section 6.09(b)(i)(E) (other than payments made with proceeds from the issuance of Equity Interests that were excluded from the calculation of the Cumulative Credit pursuant to clause (e) above).
  - "Cure Amount" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 7.03.
  - "Cure Right" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 7.03.
- "Current Assets" shall mean, with respect to the Borrower and the Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis at any date of determination, the sum of all assets (other than cash and Permitted Investments or other cash equivalents) that would, in accordance with GAAP, be classified on a consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries as current assets or deferred cost assets at such date of determination, other than amounts related to current or deferred Taxes based on income or profits.

"Current Liabilities" shall mean, with respect to the Borrower and the Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis at any date of determination, all liabilities that would, in accordance with GAAP, be classified on a consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries as current liabilities or deferred revenue liabilities at such date of determination, other than (a) the current portion of any Indebtedness, (b) accruals of Interest Expense (excluding Interest Expense that is due and unpaid), (c) accruals for current or deferred Taxes based on income or profits, (d) accruals, if any, of transaction costs resulting from the Transactions, (e) accruals of any costs or expenses related to (i) severance or termination of employees prior to the Closing Date or (ii) bonuses, pension and other post-retirement benefit obligations, and (f) accruals for add-backs to EBITDA included in clauses (a) (iv), (a)(v), and (a)(vii) of the definition of such term.

"<u>Debt Service</u>" shall mean, with respect to the Borrower and the Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis for any period, Cash Interest Expense for such period, plus scheduled principal amortization of Consolidated Debt for such period.

"<u>Debtor Relief Laws</u>" shall mean the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, 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 of America or other applicable jurisdictions from time to time in effect.

"Declining Lender" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.10(c)(i).

"Deemed Date" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.01.

"Default" shall mean any event or condition that upon notice, lapse of time or both would constitute an Event of Default.

"Defaulting Lender" shall mean, subject to Section 2.22, 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 or (ii) pay to the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank 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, Administrative Agent or any Issuing Bank in writing that it does not intend or expect 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, (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 (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 of America 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 2.22) upon delivery of written notice of such determination to the Borrower, each Issuing Bank and each Lender.

"<u>Designated Non-Cash Consideration</u>" shall mean the fair market value (as determined in good faith by the Borrower) of non-cash consideration received by the Borrower or one of its Subsidiaries in connection with an Asset Sale that is so designated as Designated Non-Cash Consideration pursuant to a certificate of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower, setting forth such valuation, less the amount of cash equivalents received in connection with a subsequent disposition of, or other receipt of cash equivalents in respect of, such Designated Non-Cash Consideration.

"<u>Disinterested Director</u>" shall mean, with respect to any person and transaction, a member of the Board of Directors of such person who does not have any material direct or indirect financial interest in or with respect to such transaction.

"<u>Dispose</u>" or "<u>Disposed</u> of" shall mean to convey, sell, lease, sell and leaseback, assign, farm-out, transfer or otherwise dispose of any property, business or asset. The term "<u>Disposition</u>" shall have a correlative meaning to the foregoing.

"Disqualified Lender" shall mean (i) the persons identified as "Disqualified Lenders" in writing to the Arrangers by the Borrower on or prior to the Closing Date, and (ii) the persons as may be identified in writing to the Administrative Agent by the Borrower from time to time thereafter (in the case of this clause (ii)) in respect of bona fide business competitors of the Borrower (in the good faith determination of the Borrower), by delivery of a notice thereof to the Administrative Agent setting forth such person or persons (or the person or persons previously identified to the Administrative Agent that are to be no longer considered "Disqualified Lenders"); provided, that no such updates pursuant to this clause (ii) shall be deemed to retroactively disqualify any parties that have previously acquired an assignment or participation interest in respect of the Loans from continuing to hold or vote such previously acquired assignments and participations on the terms set forth herein for Lenders that are not Disqualified Lenders.

"Disqualified Stock" shall mean, with respect to any person, any Equity Interests of such person that, 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 (except 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 Loan Obligations that are accrued and payable and the termination of the Commitments), (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 payment of dividends in cash or (d) is or becomes convertible into or exchangeable for Indebtedness or any other Equity Interests that would constitute Disqualified Stock, in each case, prior to the date that is ninety-one (91) days after the Latest Maturity Date in effect at the time of issuance thereof (provided, that only the portion of the Equity Interests that so mature or are mandatorily redeemable, are so convertible or exchangeable or are so redeemable at the option of the holder thereof prior to such date shall be deemed to be Disqualified Stock). Notwithstanding the foregoing:
(i) any Equity Interests issued to any employee or to any plan for the benefit of employees of the Borrower or the Subsidiaries or by any such plan to such employees shall not constitute Disqualified Stock solely because they may be required to be repurchased by the Borrower in order to satisfy applicable statutory or regulatory obligations or as a result of such employee's termination, death or disability and (ii) any class of Equity Interests of such person that by its terms authorizes such person to satisfy its obligations there

"<u>Documentation Agents</u>" shall mean Barclays Bank PLC, Goldman Sachs Bank USA, Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc. Citibank, N.A. and SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.

"Dollar Equivalent" shall mean, at any time, (a) with respect to any amount denominated in Dollars, such amount, and (b) with respect to any amount denominated in any currency other than Dollars, the equivalent amount thereof in Dollars as determined by the Administrative Agent at such time on the basis of the Spot Rate (determined in respect of the most recent Revaluation Date or other applicable date of determination) for the purchase of Dollars with such currency.

"Dollars" or "\$" shall mean lawful money of the United States of America.

"Domestic Subsidiary" shall mean any Subsidiary that is not a Foreign Subsidiary.

"Early Opt-in Election" shall mean the occurrence of:

- (1) (i) a determination by the Borrower and the Administrative Agent or (ii) a notification by the Required Lenders to the Administrative Agent (with a copy to the Borrower) that the Required Lenders and the Borrower have determined that U.S. dollar-denominated syndicated credit facilities being executed at such time, or that include language similar to that contained in this Section titled "Effect of Benchmark Transition Event," are being executed or amended, as applicable, to incorporate or adopt a new benchmark interest rate to replace LIBOR, and
- (2) (i) the election by the Borrower and the Administrative Agent or (ii) the election by the Borrower and the Required Lenders to declare that an Early Opt-in Election has occurred and the provision, as applicable, by the Administrative Agent of written notice of such election to the Lenders or by the Required Lenders of written notice of such election to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower.
- "EBITDA" shall mean, with respect to the Borrower and the Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis for any period, the Consolidated Net Income of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries for such period <u>plus</u> (a) the sum of (in each case without duplication and to the extent the respective amounts described in subclauses (i) through (xiii) of this clause (a) reduced such Consolidated Net Income (and were not excluded therefrom) for the respective period for which EBITDA is being determined):
  - (i) provision for Taxes based on income, profits or capital of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries for such period, including, without limitation, state, franchise and similar taxes and foreign withholding taxes (including penalties and interest related to taxes or arising from tax examinations) and the amount of any distributions pursuant to Section 6.06(b)(iii) or Section 6.06(b)(v),
  - (ii) Interest Expense (and to the extent not included in Interest Expense, (x) all cash dividend payments (excluding items eliminated in consolidation) on any series of preferred stock or Disqualified Stock and (y) costs of surety bonds in connection with financing activities) of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries for such period, together with items excluded from the definition of "Interest Expense" pursuant to clause (a) thereof,
  - (iii) depreciation and amortization expenses of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries for such period including the amortization of intangible assets, deferred financing fees, original issue discount and Capitalized Software Expenditures, amortization of unrecognized prior service costs and actuarial gains and losses related to pensions and other post-employment benefits,
  - (iv) business optimization expenses and other restructuring charges or reserves (which, for the avoidance of doubt, shall include the effect of inventory optimization programs, facility, branch, office or business unit closures, facility, branch, office or business unit consolidations, retention, severance, systems establishment costs, contract termination costs, future lease commitments and excess pension charges),
  - (v) any other non-cash charges; <u>provided</u>, that for purposes of this subclause (v) of this clause (a), any non-cash charges or losses shall be treated as cash charges or losses in any subsequent period during which cash disbursements attributable thereto are made (but excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, amortization of a prepaid cash item that was paid in a prior period),

- (vi) [reserved],
- (vii) any expenses or charges (other than depreciation or amortization expense as described in the preceding subclause (iii)) related to any issuance of Equity Interests, Investment, acquisition, Disposition, recapitalization or the incurrence, modification or repayment of Indebtedness permitted to be incurred by this Agreement (including a refinancing thereof) (whether or not successful), including (x) such fees, expenses or charges related to this Agreement, (y) any amendment or other modification of the Obligations or other Indebtedness and (z) commissions, discounts, yield and other fees and charges (including any interest expense) related to any Permitted Securitization Financing,
- (viii) the amount of loss or discount in connection with a Permitted Securitization Financing, including amortization of loan origination costs and amortization of portfolio discounts,
- (ix) any costs or expense incurred pursuant to any management equity plan or stock option plan or any other management or employee benefit plan or agreement or any stock subscription or shareholder agreement, to the extent that such costs or expenses are funded with cash proceeds contributed to the capital of the Borrower or a Subsidiary Loan Party (other than contributions received from the Borrower or another Subsidiary Loan Party) or net cash proceeds of an issuance of Equity Interests of the Borrower (other than Disqualified Stock),
  - (x) [reserved],
  - (xi) [reserved],
- (xii) with respect to any joint venture that is not a Subsidiary and solely to the extent relating to any net income referred to in clause (v) of the definition of "Consolidated Net Income," an amount equal to the proportion of those items described in subclauses (i) and (ii) above relating to such joint venture corresponding to the Borrower's and the Subsidiaries' proportionate share of such joint venture's Consolidated Net Income (determined as if such joint venture were a Subsidiary), and
  - (xiii) one-time costs associated with commencing Public Company Compliance;

minus (b) the sum of (without duplication and to the extent the amounts described in this clause (b) increased such Consolidated Net Income for the respective period for which EBITDA is being determined) non-cash items increasing Consolidated Net Income of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries for such period (but excluding any such items (A) in respect of which cash was received in a prior period or will be received in a future period or (B) which represent the reversal of any accrual of, or cash reserve for, anticipated cash charges that reduced EBITDA in any prior period).

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

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

"EEA Resolution Authority" shall mean 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.

"EMU Legislation" shall mean the legislative measures of the European Council for the introduction of, changeover to or operation of a single or unified European currency.

"Engagement and Fee Letter" shall mean that certain Engagement and Fee Letter dated as of September 9, 2019 by and among Nuance and the Arrangers.

"Environment" shall mean ambient and indoor air, surface water and groundwater (including potable water, navigable water and wetlands), the land surface or subsurface strata, natural resources such as flora and fauna, the workplace or as otherwise defined in any Environmental Law.

"Environmental Laws" shall mean all applicable laws (including common law), rules, regulations, codes, ordinances, orders, binding agreements, decrees or judgments, promulgated or entered into by or with any Governmental Authority, relating in any way to the Environment, preservation or reclamation of natural resources, the generation, use, transport, management, Release or threatened Release of, or exposure to, any Hazardous Material or to public or employee health and safety matters (to the extent relating to exposure to Hazardous Materials).

"Environmental Permits" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 3.16.

"Equity Interests" of any person shall mean any and all shares, interests, rights to purchase or otherwise acquire, warrants, options, participations or other equivalents of or interests in (however designated) equity or ownership of such person, including any preferred stock, any limited or general partnership interest and any limited liability company membership interest; provided that Equity Interests shall exclude Convertible Securities (irrespective of whether settled in Equity Interests or cash) and Permitted Call Spread Agreements.

"ERISA" shall mean the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as the same may be amended from time to time and any final regulations promulgated and the rulings issued thereunder.

"ERISA Affiliate" shall mean any trade or business (whether or not incorporated) that, together with the Borrower or a Subsidiary, is treated as a single employer under Section 414(b) or (c) of the Code, or, solely for purposes of Section 302 of ERISA and Section 412 of the Code, is treated as a single employer under Section 414 of the Code.

"ERISA Event" shall mean (a) any Reportable Event or the requirements of Section 4043(b) of ERISA apply with respect to a Plan; (b) with respect to any Plan, the failure to satisfy the minimum funding standard under Section 412 of the Code or Section 302 of ERISA, whether or not waived; (c) a determination that any Plan is, or is expected to be, in "at-risk" status (as defined in Section 303(i)(4) of ERISA or Section 430(i)(4) of the Code); (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 Plan, the failure to make by its due date a required installment under Section 430(j) of the Code with respect to any Plan or the failure to make any required contribution to a Multiemployer Plan; (e) the incurrence by the Borrower, a Subsidiary or any ERISA Affiliate of any liability under Title IV of ERISA with respect to the termination of any Plan or Multiemployer Plan; (f) the receipt by the Borrower, a Subsidiary or any ERISA Affiliate from the PBGC or a plan administrator of any notice relating to an intention to terminate any Plan or to appoint a trustee to administer any Plan under Section 4042 of ERISA; (g) the incurrence by the Borrower, a Subsidiary or any ERISA Affiliate of any

liability with respect to the withdrawal or partial withdrawal from any Plan or Multiemployer Plan; (h) the receipt by the Borrower, a Subsidiary or any ERISA Affiliate of any notice, or the receipt by any Multiemployer Plan from the Borrower, a Subsidiary or any ERISA Affiliate of any notice, concerning the impending imposition of Withdrawal Liability or a determination that a Multiemployer Plan is, or is expected to be, insolvent, within the meaning of Title IV of ERISA, or in "endangered" or "critical" status, within the meaning of Section 432 of the Code or Section 305 of ERISA; (i) the conditions for imposition of a lien under Section 303(k) of ERISA shall have been met with respect to any Plan; or (j) the withdrawal of any of the Borrower, a Subsidiary or any ERISA Affiliate from a 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.

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

- "Euro" shall mean the lawful currency of the Participating Member States introduced in accordance with the EMU Legislation.
- "Eurocurrency Borrowing" shall mean a Borrowing comprised of Eurocurrency Loans.
- "Eurocurrency Loan" shall mean any Eurocurrency Term Loan or Eurocurrency Revolving Loan.
- "Eurocurrency Revolving Facility Borrowing" shall mean a Borrowing comprised of Eurocurrency Revolving Loans.
- "Eurocurrency Revolving Loan" shall mean any Revolving Facility Loan bearing interest at a rate determined by reference to the Adjusted LIBO Rate in accordance with the provisions of Article II.
- "Eurocurrency Term Loan" shall mean any Term Loan bearing interest at a rate determined by reference to the Adjusted LIBO Rate in accordance with the provisions of Article II.
  - "Event of Default" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 7.01.
- "Excess Cash Flow" shall mean, with respect to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis for any Applicable Period, EBITDA of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis for such Applicable Period, minus, without duplication, (A):
  - (a) Debt Service for such Applicable Period,
  - (b) the amount of any voluntary payment permitted hereunder of term Indebtedness during such Applicable Period (other than any voluntary prepayment of the Term Loans, which shall be the subject of Section 2.11(c)(ii)(A)) and the amount of any voluntary payments of revolving Indebtedness to the extent accompanied by permanent reductions of any revolving facility commitments during such Applicable Period (other than any voluntary prepayments of the Revolving Facility Commitment, which shall be the subject of Section 2.11(c)(ii)(B)), so long as the amount of such prepayment is not already reflected in Debt Service,
  - (c) (i) Capital Expenditures by the Borrower and the Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis during such Applicable Period that are paid in cash and (ii) the aggregate consideration paid in cash during the Applicable Period in respect of Permitted Acquisitions, New Project expenditures and other Investments permitted hereunder (excluding Permitted Investments, intercompany Investments in Subsidiaries and Investments made pursuant to Section 6.04(j)(Y)) and payments in respect of restructuring activities,

- (d) Capital Expenditures, Permitted Acquisitions, New Project expenditures or other permitted Investments (excluding Permitted Investments and intercompany Investments in Subsidiaries), that the Borrower or any Subsidiary shall, during such Applicable Period, become obligated to make and that are not made during such Applicable Period, but are made prior to the date by which prepayments pursuant to Section 2.11(c) are required,
- (e) Taxes paid in cash by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis during such Applicable Period or that will be paid within six months after the close of such Applicable Period and the amount of any distributions made pursuant to Section 6.06(b)(iii) and Section 6.06(b) (v) during such Applicable Period or that will be made within six months after the close of such Applicable Period; provided, that with respect to any such amounts to be paid or distributed after the close of such Applicable Period, (i) any amount so deducted shall not be deducted again in a subsequent Applicable Period, and (ii) appropriate reserves shall have been established in accordance with GAAP,
- (f) an amount equal to any increase in Working Capital (other than any increase arising from the recognition or de-recognition of any Current Assets or Current Liabilities upon an acquisition or disposition of a business) of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for such Applicable Period and, at the Borrower's option, any anticipated increase, estimated by the Borrower in good faith, for the following Excess Cash Flow Period.
- (g) cash expenditures made in respect of Hedging Agreements during such Applicable Period, to the extent not reflected in the computation of EBITDA or Interest Expense,
  - (h) [reserved],
- (i) amounts paid in cash during such Applicable Period on account of (A) items that were accounted for as non-cash reductions of Net Income in determining Consolidated Net Income or as non-cash reductions of Consolidated Net Income in determining EBITDA of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in a prior Applicable Period and (B) reserves or accruals established in purchase accounting,
- (j) to the extent not deducted in the computation of Net Proceeds in respect of any asset disposition or condemnation giving rise thereto, the amount of any mandatory prepayment of Indebtedness (other than Indebtedness created hereunder or under any other Loan Document), together with any interest, premium or penalties required to be paid (and actually paid) in connection therewith,
- (k) the amount related to items that were added to or not deducted from Net Income in calculating Consolidated Net Income or were added to or not deducted from Consolidated Net Income in calculating EBITDA to the extent such items represented a cash payment (other than in respect of Transaction Expenses) which had not reduced Excess Cash Flow upon the accrual thereof in a prior Applicable Period, or an accrual for a cash payment, by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries or did not represent cash received by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, in each case on a consolidated basis during such Applicable Period, and

(l) the amount of (A) any deductions attributable to minority interests that were added to or not deducted from Net Income in calculating Consolidated Net Income and (B) EBITDA of joint ventures and minority investees added to Consolidated Net Income in calculating EBITDA,

## plus, without duplication, (B):

- (a) an amount equal to any decrease in Working Capital (other than any decrease arising from the recognition or de-recognition of any Current Assets or Current Liabilities upon an acquisition or disposition of a business) of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for such Applicable Period.
- (b) all amounts referred to in clause (A)(b) above to the extent funded with the proceeds of the issuance or the incurrence of Indebtedness (including Capitalized Lease Obligations and purchase money Indebtedness, but excluding proceeds of extensions of credit under any revolving credit facility), the sale or issuance of any Equity Interests (including any capital contributions) and any loss, damage, destruction or condemnation of, or any sale, transfer or other disposition (including any sale and leaseback of assets and any mortgage or lease of Real Property) to any person of any asset or assets, in each case to the extent there is a corresponding deduction from Excess Cash Flow above,
  - (c) [reserved],
- (d) cash payments received in respect of Hedging Agreements during such Applicable Period to the extent (i) not included in the computation of EBITDA or (ii) such payments do not reduce Cash Interest Expense,
- (e) any extraordinary or nonrecurring gain realized in cash during such Applicable Period (except to the extent such gain consists of Net Proceeds subject to Section 2.11(b)), and
- (f) the amount related to items that were deducted from or not added to Net Income in connection with calculating Consolidated Net Income or were deducted from or not added to Consolidated Net Income in calculating EBITDA to the extent either (i) such items represented cash received by the Borrower or any Subsidiary or (ii) such items do not represent cash paid by the Borrower or any Subsidiary, in each case on a consolidated basis during such Applicable Period.
- "Excess Cash Flow Period" shall mean each fiscal year of the Borrower, commencing with the fiscal year of the Borrower ending in September 30, 2020.
  - "Exchange Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

"Excluded Contributions" shall mean the cash and the fair market value of assets other than cash (as determined by the Borrower in good faith) received by the Borrower after the Closing Date from: (a) contributions to its common Equity Interests, and (b) the sale or issuance (other than to a Subsidiary of the Borrower or to any Subsidiary management equity plan or stock option plan or any other management or employee benefit plan or agreement) of Qualified Equity Interests of the Borrower, in each case designated as Excluded Contributions pursuant to a certificate of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower on or promptly after the date such capital contributions are made or the date such Equity Interest is sold or issued, as the case may be.

- "Excluded Indebtedness" shall mean all Indebtedness not incurred in violation of Section 6.01.
- "Excluded Property" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.10(g).
- "Excluded Securities" shall mean any of the following:
- (a) any Equity Interests or Indebtedness with respect to which the Administrative Agent and the Borrower reasonably agree that the cost or other consequences of pledging such Equity Interests or Indebtedness in favor of the Secured Parties under the Security Documents are likely to be excessive in relation to the value to be afforded thereby;
- (b) in the case of any pledge of voting Equity Interests of any Foreign Subsidiary (in each case, that is owned directly by the Borrower or a Subsidiary Loan Party) to secure the Obligations, any voting Equity Interest of such Foreign Subsidiary in excess of 65% of the outstanding Equity Interests of such class;
- (c) in the case of any pledge of voting Equity Interests of any FSHCO (in each case, that is owned directly by the Borrower or a Subsidiary Loan Party) to secure the Obligations, any voting Equity Interest of such FSHCO in excess of 65% of the outstanding Equity Interests of such class:
- (d) any Equity Interests or Indebtedness to the extent the pledge thereof would be prohibited by any Requirement of Law after giving effect to the anti-assignment provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code of any applicable jurisdiction;
- (e) any Equity Interests of any person that is not a Wholly Owned Subsidiary to the extent (A) that a pledge thereof to secure the Obligations is prohibited by (i) any applicable organizational documents, joint venture agreement or shareholder agreement or (ii) any other contractual obligation with an unaffiliated third party not in violation of Section 6.09(c) binding on such Equity Interests to the extent in existence on the Closing Date or on the date of acquisition thereof and not entered into in contemplation thereof (other than in connection with the incurrence of Indebtedness of the type contemplated by Section 6.01(i)) (other than, in this subclause (A)(ii), customary non-assignment provisions which are ineffective under Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code or other applicable Requirements of Law), (B) any organizational documents, joint venture agreement or shareholder agreement (or other contractual obligation referred to in subclause (A)(ii) above) prohibits such a pledge without the consent of any other party; provided, that this clause (B) shall not apply if (1) such other party is a Loan Party or a Wholly Owned Subsidiary or (2) consent has been obtained to consummate such pledge (it being understood that the foregoing shall not be deemed to obligate the Borrower or any Subsidiary to obtain any such consent) and shall only apply for so long as such organizational documents, joint venture agreement or shareholder agreement or replacement or renewal thereof is in effect, or (C) a pledge thereof to secure the Obligations would give any other party (other than a Loan Party or a Wholly Owned Subsidiary) to any organizational documents, joint venture agreement or shareholder agreement governing such Equity Interests (or other contractual obligation referred to in subclause (A)(ii) above) the right to terminate its obligations thereunder (other than, in the case of other contractual obligations referred to in subclause (A)(ii), customary non-assignment provisions which are ineffective under Article 9
- (f) any Equity Interests of any Immaterial Subsidiary, any Unrestricted Subsidiary, any not-for-profit entity or any Special Purpose Securitization Subsidiary;

- (g) any Equity Interests of any Subsidiary of, or other Equity Interests owned by, a Foreign Subsidiary;
- (h) any Equity Interests of any Subsidiary to the extent that the pledge of such Equity Interests could reasonably be expected to result in material adverse tax consequences to the Borrower or any Subsidiary as determined in good faith by the Borrower in consultation with the Administrative Agent;
- (i) any Equity Interests or Indebtedness that are set forth on <u>Schedule 1.01(A)</u> to this Agreement or that have been identified on or prior to the Closing Date in writing to the Agent by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower and agreed to by the Administrative Agent; and
  - (k) any Margin Stock.

"Excluded Subsidiary" shall mean any of the following (except as otherwise provided in clause (b) of the definition of "Subsidiary Loan Party"):

- (a) each Immaterial Subsidiary,
- (b) each Domestic Subsidiary that is not a Wholly Owned Subsidiary (for so long as such Subsidiary remains a non-Wholly Owned Subsidiary),
- (c) each Domestic Subsidiary that is prohibited from Guaranteeing or granting Liens to secure the Obligations by any Requirement of Law or that would require consent, approval, license or authorization of a Governmental Authority to Guarantee or grant Liens to secure the Obligations (unless such consent, approval, license or authorization has been received),
- (d) each Domestic Subsidiary that is prohibited by any applicable contractual requirement from Guaranteeing or granting Liens to secure the Obligations on the Closing Date or at the time such Subsidiary becomes a Subsidiary not in violation of Section 6.09(c) (and for so long as such restriction or any replacement or renewal thereof is in effect),
  - (e) any Special Purpose Securitization Subsidiary,
  - (f) any Foreign Subsidiary,
  - (g) any Domestic Subsidiary (i) that is an FSHCO or (ii) that is a Subsidiary of a Foreign Subsidiary that is a CFC,
- (h) any other Domestic Subsidiary with respect to which, (x) the Administrative Agent and the Borrower reasonably agree that the cost or other consequences of providing a Guarantee of or granting Liens to secure the Obligations are likely to be excessive in relation to the value to be afforded thereby, (y) in the case of any person that becomes a Domestic Subsidiary after the Closing Date, providing such a Guarantee or granting such Liens could reasonably be expected to result in material adverse tax consequences as determined in good faith by the Borrower in consultation with the Administrative Agent or (z) in the case of any Domestic Subsidiary acquired pursuant to a Permitted Acquisition or similar Investment financed with Indebtedness permitted to be incurred hereunder as assumed Indebtedness (and such assumed Indebtedness is not incurred in contemplation of such Permitted Acquisition or Investment) and any Domestic Subsidiary thereof that guarantees such Indebtedness, in each case to the extent, and for so long as, such Indebtedness prohibits such Subsidiary from becoming a Guarantor,

- (i) each Unrestricted Subsidiary, and
- (j) with respect to any Swap Obligation, any Subsidiary that is not an "eligible contract participant" as defined in the Commodity Exchange Act and the regulations thereunder.

"Excluded Swap Obligation" shall mean, with respect to any Guarantor, any Swap Obligation if, and to the extent that, all or a portion of the Guarantee of such Guarantor of, or the grant by such Guarantor of a security interest to secure, such Swap Obligation (or any Guarantee thereof) is or becomes illegal under the Commodity Exchange Act or any rule, regulation or order of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (or the application or official interpretation of any thereof) by virtue of such Guarantor's failure for any reason to constitute an "eligible contract participant" as defined in the Commodity Exchange Act and the regulations thereunder at the time the Guarantee of such Guarantor or the grant of such security interest becomes effective with respect to such Swap Obligation, unless otherwise agreed between the Administrative Agent and the Borrower. If a Swap Obligation arises under a master agreement governing more than one swap, such exclusion shall apply only to the portion of such Swap Obligation that is attributable to swaps for which such Guarantee or security interest is or becomes illegal.

"Excluded Taxes" shall mean, with respect to the Administrative Agent, any Lender or any other recipient of any payment to be made by or on account of any obligation of any Loan Party hereunder or under any other Loan Document, (i) Taxes imposed on or measured by its overall net income or branch profits (however denominated, and including (for the avoidance of doubt) any backup withholding in respect thereof under Section 3406 of the Code or any similar provision of state, local or foreign law), and franchise (and similar) Taxes imposed on it (in lieu of net income Taxes), in each case by a jurisdiction (including any political subdivision thereof) as a result of such recipient being organized in, having its principal office in, or in the case of any Lender, having its applicable Lending Office in, such jurisdiction, or as a result of any other present or former connection with such jurisdiction (other than any such connection arising solely from this Agreement or any other Loan Documents or any transactions contemplated thereunder), (ii) U.S. federal withholding Tax imposed on any payment by or on account of any obligation of any Loan Party hereunder or under any other Loan Document that is required to be imposed on amounts payable to a Lender (other than to the extent such Lender is an assignee pursuant to a request by the Borrower under Section 2.19(b) or 2.19(c)) pursuant to laws in force at the time such Lender becomes a party hereto (or designates a new Lending Office), except to the extent that such Lender (or its assignor, if any) was entitled, immediately prior to the designation of a new Lending Office (or assignment), to receive additional amounts or indemnification payments from any Loan Party with respect to such withholding Tax pursuant to Section 2.17(d) or (e) or (iv) any Tax imposed under FATCA.

"Existing Class Loans" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.08(f).

"Existing Roll-Over Letters of Credit" shall mean those letters of credit or bank guarantees issued and outstanding as of the Closing Date and set forth on Schedule 1.01(C), which shall each be deemed to constitute a Letter of Credit issued hereunder on the Closing Date.

"Extended Revolving Facility Commitment" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.21(e).

"Extended Revolving Loan" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.21(e).

"Extended Term Loan" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.21(e).

"Extending Lender" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.21(e).

"Extension" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.21(e).

"Facility" shall mean the respective facility and commitments utilized in making Loans and credit extensions hereunder, it being understood that, as of the Closing Date there are two Facilities (*i.e.*, the Term B Facility and the Revolving Facility Commitments established on the Closing Date and the extensions of credit thereunder) and thereafter, the term "Facility" may include any other Class of Commitments and the extensions of credit thereunder.

"FATCA" shall mean 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), or any Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder or official administrative interpretations thereof and any agreements entered into pursuant to Section 1471(b)(1) of the Code as of the date of this Agreement (or any amended or successor version described above) and any intergovernmental agreements (or related rules, legislation or official administrative guidance) implementing the foregoing.

"Federal Funds Effective Rate" shall mean, for any day, the rate calculated by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York based on such day's federal funds transactions by depository institutions (as determined in such manner as the Federal Reserve Bank of New York shall set forth on its public website from time to time) and published on the next succeeding Business Day by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York as the federal funds effective rate; provided, that if the Federal Funds Effective Rate for any day is less than 1.00% per annum, the Federal Funds Effective Rate for such day will be deemed to be 1.00% per annum.

"Federal Reserve Bank of New York's Website" means the website of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York at http://www.newyorkfed.org, or any successor source.

"Fees" shall mean the Commitment Fees, the L/C Participation Fees, the Issuing Bank Fees and the Administrative Agent Fees.

"Financial Covenant" shall mean the covenant of the Borrower set forth in Section 6.11.

"Financial Officer" of any person shall mean the Chief Financial Officer or an equivalent financial officer, principal accounting officer, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer or Controller of such person.

"FIRREA" shall mean the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989, as amended.

"First Lien/First Lien Intercreditor Agreement" shall mean an intercreditor agreement substantially in the form of Exhibit G hereto, or such other customary form reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, in each case, as such document may be amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.

"<u>First Lien/Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement</u>" shall mean an intercreditor agreement substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit H</u> hereto, or such other customary form reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, in each case, as such document may be amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.

"Flood Documentation" shall mean, with respect to each Mortgaged Property located in the United States of America or any territory thereof, (i) a completed "life-of-loan" Federal Emergency Management Agency standard flood hazard determination (and to the extent a Mortgaged Property is located in a Special Flood Hazard Area, a notice about Special Flood Hazard Area status and flood disaster assistance duly executed by the Borrower and the applicable Loan Party relating thereto) and (ii) evidence of flood insurance as required by Section 5.02(c) hereof and the applicable provisions of the Security Documents, each of which shall (A) be endorsed or otherwise amended to include a "standard" or "New York" lender's loss payable or mortgagee endorsement (as applicable), (B) name the Collateral Agent, on behalf of the Secured Parties, as additional insured and loss payee/mortgagee, (C) identify the address of each property located in a Special Flood Hazard Area, the applicable flood zone designation and the flood insurance coverage and deductible relating thereto and (D) be otherwise in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

"Flood Insurance Laws" shall mean, collectively, (i) the National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994 (which comprehensively revised the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 and the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973) as now or hereafter in effect or any successor statute thereto, (ii) the Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2004 as now or hereafter in effect or any successor statute thereto and (iii) the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012 as now or hereafter in effect or any successor statute thereto.

"Foreign Lender" shall mean any Lender (a) that is not disregarded as separate from its owner for U.S. federal income tax purposes and that is not a "United States person" as defined by Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or (b) that is disregarded as separate from its owner for U.S. federal income tax purposes and whose regarded owner is not a "United States person" as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code.

"<u>Foreign Subsidiary</u>" shall mean any Subsidiary that is incorporated or organized under the laws of any jurisdiction other than the United States of America, any state thereof or the District of Columbia.

"Fronting Exposure" shall mean, at any time there is a Defaulting Lender, with respect to any Issuing Bank, such Defaulting Lender's Revolving Facility Percentage of Revolving L/C Exposure with respect to Letters of Credit issued by such Issuing Bank other than such Revolving L/C Exposure as to which such Defaulting Lender's participation obligation has been reallocated to other Lenders or Cash Collateralized in accordance with the terms hereof.

"FSHCO" shall mean any Subsidiary that owns no material assets other than the Equity Interests of one or more Foreign Subsidiaries that are CFCs and/or of one or more FSHCOs.

"GAAP" shall mean generally accepted accounting principles in effect from time to time in the United States of America, applied on a consistent basis, subject to the provisions of Section 1.02; provided, that any reference to the application of GAAP in Sections 3.13(b), 3.20, 5.03, 5.07 and 6.02(e) to a Foreign Subsidiary (and not as a consolidated Subsidiary of the Borrower) shall mean generally accepted accounting principles in effect from time to time in the jurisdiction of organization of such Foreign Subsidiary.

"Governmental Authority" shall mean any federal, state, local or foreign court or governmental agency, authority, instrumentality or regulatory or legislative body.

"Guarantee" of or by any person (the "guarantor") shall mean (a) any obligation, contingent or otherwise, of the guarantor guaranteeing or having the economic effect of guaranteeing any Indebtedness or other monetary obligation payable or performable by another person (the "primary obligor") in any manner, whether directly or indirectly, and including any obligation of the guarantor, 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 owner of such Indebtedness or other obligation of the payment thereof, (iii) to maintain working capital, equity capital or any other financial statement condition or liquidity of the primary obligor so as to enable the primary obligor to pay such Indebtedness or other obligation or (iv) entered into for the purpose of assuring in any other manner the holders of such Indebtedness or other obligation of the payment thereof or to protect such holders against loss in respect thereof (in whole or in part), or (b) any Lien (other than any Lien under Section 6.02(y)(ii)) on any assets of the guarantor securing any Indebtedness or other obligation (or any existing right, contingent or otherwise, of the holder of Indebtedness or other obligation to be secured by such a Lien) of any other person, whether or not such Indebtedness or other obligation is assumed by the guarantor; provided, however, that the term "Guarantee" shall not include endorsements of instruments for deposit or collection in the ordinary course of business or customary and reasonable indemnity obligations in effect on the Closing Date or entered into in connection with any acquisition or Disposition of assets permitted by this Agreement (other than such obligations with respect to Indebtedness). The amount of any Guarantee shall be deemed to be an amount equal to the stated or determinable amount of the Indebtedness in respect of which such Guarantee is made or, if not stated or determinable, the maximum reasonably anticipated liability in respect thereof as determined by such person in good faith.

"guarantor" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of the term "Guarantee."

"Guarantors" shall mean the Loan Parties other than the Borrower.

"<u>Hazardous Materials</u>" shall mean all pollutants, contaminants, wastes, chemicals, materials, substances and constituents, including, without limitation, explosive or radioactive substances or petroleum by products or petroleum distillates, asbestos or asbestos-containing materials, polychlorinated biphenyls, radon gas or pesticides, fungicides, fertilizers or other agricultural chemicals, of any nature subject to regulation or which can give rise to liability under any Environmental Law.

"Hedge Bank" shall mean any person that is (or an Affiliate thereof is) (a) an Agent, an Arranger or a Lender on the Closing Date (or any person that becomes an Agent, Arranger or Lender or Affiliate thereof after the Closing Date) and that enters into a Hedging Agreement, in each case, in its capacity as a party to such Hedging Agreement or (b) listed in Schedule 1.01(G). For the avoidance of doubt, any Hedge Bank under clause (a) above shall continue to be a Hedge Bank with respect to the applicable Hedging Agreement even if it ceases to be an Agent, Arranger, Lender or Affiliate thereof after the Closing Date.

"Hedging Agreement" shall mean 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 credit spread transaction, repurchase transaction, reserve repurchase transaction, securities lending transaction, weather index transaction, spot contracts, fixed price physical delivery contracts, or any similar transaction or any combination of these transactions, in each case of the foregoing, whether or not exchange traded; 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 any of the Subsidiaries and no Permitted Call Spread Agreement shall be a Hedging Agreement.

"Immaterial Subsidiary" shall mean any Subsidiary that (a) did not, as of the last day of the fiscal quarter of the Borrower most recently ended for which financial statements have been (or were required to be) delivered pursuant to Section 4.02(e), 5.04(a) or 5.04(b), have assets with a value in excess of 5.0% of the Consolidated Total Assets or revenues representing in excess of 5.0% of total revenues of

the Borrower and the Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis as of such date, and (b) taken together with all Immaterial Subsidiaries as of such date, did not have assets with a value in excess of 10% of Consolidated Total Assets or revenues representing in excess of 10% of total revenues of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis as of such date; <u>provided</u>, that the Borrower may elect in its sole discretion to exclude as an Immaterial Subsidiary any Subsidiary that would otherwise meet the definition thereof. For the avoidance of doubt, as of the Closing Date, the Subsidiaries of the Borrower identified on <u>Schedule 1.01(B)</u> constitute Immaterial Subsidiaries pursuant to the foregoing sentence.

"Increased Amount" of any Indebtedness shall mean any increase in the amount of such Indebtedness in connection with any accrual of interest, the accretion of accreted value, the amortization of original issue discount or deferred financing fees, the payment of interest or dividends in the form of additional Indebtedness or in the form of Equity Interests, as applicable, the accretion of original issue discount, deferred financing fees or liquidation preference and increases in the amount of Indebtedness outstanding solely as a result of fluctuations in the exchange rate of currencies.

"Incremental Amount" shall mean, at the time of the establishment of the commitments in respect of the Indebtedness to be incurred utilizing this definition (or, at the option of the Borrower, at the time of incurrence of such Indebtedness), the sum of:

- (i) the excess (if any) of \$50,000,000 over (b) the sum of (x) the aggregate outstanding principal amount of all Incremental Term Loans and Incremental Revolving Facility Commitments, in each case incurred or established after the Closing Date pursuant to Section 2.21 utilizing this clause (i) (other than Incremental Term Loans and Incremental Revolving Facility Commitments in respect of Refinancing Term Loans, Extended Term Loans, Extended Revolving Facility Commitments or Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments, respectively) and (y) the aggregate principal amount of Incremental Equivalent Debt incurred utilizing this clause (i); plus
- (ii) any amounts so long as immediately after giving effect to the incurrence thereof utilizing this clause (ii) (and assuming any Incremental Revolving Facility Commitments being established at such time utilizing this clause (ii) are fully drawn unless such commitments have been drawn or have otherwise been terminated) and the use of proceeds of the loans thereunder, (a) in the case of Incremental Loans secured by Liens on the Collateral that rank pari passu with the Liens on the Collateral securing the Term B Loans or the Initial Revolving Loans, the Net First Lien Leverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis is not greater than 1.70 to 1.00, (b) in the case of Incremental Loans secured by Liens on the Collateral that rank junior to the Liens on the Collateral securing the Term B Loans and the Initial Revolving Loans, the Net Secured Leverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis is not greater than 1.95 to 1.00 and (c) in the case of Incremental Loans that are unsecured, either (1) the Interest Coverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis is not less than 2.00 to 1.00 or (2) the Net Total Leverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis is not greater than 1.95 to 1.00; provided that, for purposes of this clause (ii), net cash proceeds funded by financing sources upon the incurrence of Incremental Loans incurred at such time of calculation shall not be netted against the applicable amount of Consolidated Debt for purposes of such calculation of the Net First Lien Leverage Ratio, the Net Secured Leverage Ratio or the Net Total Leverage Ratio at such time; plus
- (iii) the aggregate amount of (A) all voluntary prepayments of (i) Term Loans pursuant to Section 2.11(a), (ii) Revolving Facility Loans pursuant to Section 2.11(a) (and accompanied by a reduction of Revolving Facility Commitments pursuant to Section 2.08(b)) and (iii) Incremental Equivalent Debt in the form of Other First Lien Debt, (B) all debt buybacks of any of the foregoing (which, in the case of revolving credit facilities, are accompanied by a

permanent commitment reduction or termination thereof, as applicable), with credit given the aggregate amount paid in cash and (C) all payments of Loans made in connection with the removal pursuant to Section 2.19(c) of any Non-Consenting Lender, in each case, made prior to such time except to the extent funded with the proceeds of long-term Indebtedness (other than revolving Indebtedness);

provided, that, for the avoidance of doubt, (A) amounts may be established or incurred utilizing clause (ii) above prior to utilizing clause (i) or (iii) above and (B) any calculation of the Net First Lien Leverage Ratio, the Net Secured Leverage Ratio, the Net Total Leverage Ratio or the Interest Coverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis pursuant to clause (ii) above may be determined, at the option of the Borrower, without giving effect to any simultaneous establishment or incurrence of any amounts utilizing clause (i) or (iii) above.

"Incremental Assumption Agreement" shall mean an Incremental Assumption Agreement in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, among the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and, if applicable, one or more Incremental Term Lenders and/or Incremental Revolving Facility Lenders.

"Incremental Commitment" shall mean an Incremental Term Loan Commitment or an Incremental Revolving Facility Commitment.

"Incremental Equivalent Debt" shall mean Indebtedness under Section 6.01(z).

"Incremental Loan" shall mean an Incremental Term Loan or an Incremental Revolving Loan.

"Incremental Revolving Borrowing" shall mean a Borrowing comprised of Incremental Revolving Loans.

"Incremental Revolving Facility Commitment" shall mean the commitment of any Lender, established pursuant to Section 2.21, to make Incremental Revolving Loans to the Borrower.

"Incremental Revolving Facility Lender" shall mean a Lender with an Incremental Revolving Facility Commitment or an outstanding Incremental Revolving Loan.

"Incremental Revolving Loan" shall mean (i) Revolving Facility Loans made by one or more Revolving Facility Lenders to the Borrower pursuant to an Incremental Revolving Facility Commitment to make additional Initial Revolving Loans and (ii) to the extent permitted by Section 2.21 and provided for in the relevant Incremental Assumption Agreement, Other Revolving Loans (including in the form of Extended Revolving Loans or Replacement Revolving Loans, as applicable), or (iii) any of the foregoing.

"Incremental Term Borrowing" shall mean a Borrowing comprised of Incremental Term Loans.

"Incremental Term Facility" shall mean any Class of Incremental Term Loan Commitments and the Incremental Term Loans made thereunder.

"Incremental Term Lender" shall mean a Lender with an Incremental Term Loan Commitment or an outstanding Incremental Term Loan.

"Incremental Term Loan Commitment" shall mean the commitment of any Lender, established pursuant to Section 2.21, to make Incremental Term Loans to the Borrower.

"Incremental Term Loan Installment Date" shall have, with respect to any Class of Incremental Term Loans established pursuant to an Incremental Assumption Agreement, the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.10(a)(ii).

"Incremental Term Loans" shall mean (i) Term Loans made by one or more Lenders to the Borrower pursuant to Section 2.01(c) consisting of additional Term B Loans and (ii) to the extent permitted by Section 2.21 and provided for in the relevant Incremental Assumption Agreement, Other Term Loans (including in the form of Extended Term Loans or Refinancing Term Loans, as applicable), or (iii) any of the foregoing.

"Indebtedness" of any person shall mean, if and to the extent (other than with respect to clause (i)) the same would constitute indebtedness or a liability on a balance sheet prepared in accordance with GAAP, without duplication, (a) all obligations of such person for borrowed money, (b) all obligations of such person evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or similar instruments, (c) all obligations of such person under conditional sale or other title retention agreements relating to property or assets purchased by such person, (d) all obligations of such person issued or assumed as the deferred purchase price of property or services (other than such obligations accrued in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice), to the extent that the same would be required to be shown as a long term liability on a balance sheet prepared in accordance with GAAP, (e) all Capitalized Lease Obligations of such person, (f) all net payments that such person would have to make in the event of an early termination, on the date Indebtedness of such person is being determined, in respect of outstanding Hedging Agreements, (g) the principal component of all obligations, contingent or otherwise, of such person as an account party in respect of letters of credit, (h) the principal component of all obligations of such person in respect of bankers' acceptances, (i) all Guarantees by such person of Indebtedness described in clauses (a) to (h) above and (j) the amount of all obligations of such person with respect to the redemption, repayment or other repurchase of any Disqualified Stock (excluding accrued dividends that have not increased the liquidation preference of such Disqualified Stock); provided, that Indebtedness shall not include (A) trade and other ordinarycourse payables, accrued expenses, and intercompany liabilities arising in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice, (B) prepaid or deferred revenue, (C) purchase price holdbacks arising in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice in respect of a portion of the purchase prices of an asset to satisfy unperformed obligations of the seller of such asset, (D) Obligations under or in respect of Permitted Securitization Financings, (E) earn-out obligations until such obligations become a liability on the balance sheet of such person in accordance with GAAP, (F) obligations in respect of Third Party Funds, (G) in the case of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, (I) all intercompany Indebtedness having a term not exceeding 364 days (inclusive of any roll-over or extensions of terms) and made in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice and (II) intercompany liabilities in connection with the cash management, tax and accounting operations of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries or (H) liabilities in respect of membership deposits. The Indebtedness of any person shall include the Indebtedness of any partnership in which such person is a general partner, other than to the extent that the instrument or agreement evidencing such Indebtedness limits the liability of such person in respect thereof. For the avoidance of doubt, payment obligations under the Tax Matters Agreement shall not constitute Indebtedness.

"Indemnified Taxes" shall mean all Taxes imposed on or with respect to or measured by any payment by or on account of any obligation of any Loan Party hereunder or under any other Loan Document other than (a) Excluded Taxes and (b) Other Taxes.

"Indemnitee" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.05(b).

"Information" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 3.14(a).

"Initial Revolving Loan" shall mean a Revolving Facility Loan made (i) pursuant to the Revolving Facility Commitments in effect on the Closing Date (as the same may be amended from time to time in accordance with this Agreement) or (ii) pursuant to any Incremental Revolving Facility Commitment on the same terms as the Revolving Facility Loans referred to in clause (i) of this definition.

"Intellectual Property" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the Collateral Agreement.

"Intercreditor Agreement" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 8.11.

"Interest Coverage Ratio" shall mean, on any date, the ratio of (a) EBITDA to (b) Cash Interest Expense, in each case, for the Test Period most recently ended as of such date, all determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP; <u>provided</u> that the Interest Coverage Ratio shall be determined for the relevant Test Period on a Pro Forma Basis.

"Interest Election Request" shall mean a request by the Borrower to convert or continue a Borrowing in accordance with Section 2.07 and substantially in the form of Exhibit E or another form approved by the Administrative Agent.

"Interest Expense" shall mean, with respect to any person for any period, the sum of (a) gross interest expense of such person for such period on a consolidated basis, including the portion of any payments or accruals with respect to Capitalized Lease Obligations allocable to interest expense and excluding interest expense relating to membership deposit liabilities, amortization of deferred financing fees and original issue discount, debt issuance costs, commissions, fees and expenses, expensing of any bridge, commitment or other financing fees, amortization of non-cash interest resulting from the application of Accounting Standards Codification 470-20, Debt (but only to the extent of the information therein that was codified from Financial Accounting Standards Board Staff Position No. APB 14-1—Accounting for Convertible Debt Instruments That May Be Settled in Cash upon Conversion (Including Partial Cash Settlement) or related interpretations or guidance) to any convertible debt of the Borrower, and non-cash interest expense attributable to movement in mark to market of obligations in respect of Hedging Agreements or other derivatives (in each case permitted hereunder) under GAAP and (b) capitalized interest of such person, minus interest income for such period. For purposes of the foregoing, gross interest expense shall be determined after giving effect to any net payments made or received and costs incurred by the Borrower and the Subsidiaries with respect to Hedging Agreements, and interest on a Capitalized Lease Obligation in accordance with GAAP.

"Interest Payment Date" shall mean, (a) with respect to any Eurocurrency Loan, (i) the last day of the Interest Period applicable to the Borrowing of which such Loan is a part, (ii) in the case of a Eurocurrency Borrowing with an Interest Period of more than three months' duration, each day that would have been an Interest Payment Date had successive Interest Periods of three months' duration been applicable to such Borrowing and (iii) in addition, the date of any refinancing or conversion of such Borrowing with or to a Borrowing of a different Type and (b) with respect to any ABR Loan, the last Business Day of each calendar quarter.

"Interest Period" shall mean, as to any Eurocurrency Borrowing, the period commencing on the date of such Borrowing or on the last day of the immediately preceding Interest Period applicable to such Borrowing, as applicable, and ending on the numerically corresponding day (or, if there is no numerically corresponding day, on the last day) in the calendar month that is 1, 2, 3 or 6 months thereafter

(or 12 months or a period shorter than 1 month, if at the time of the relevant Borrowing, all relevant Lenders make interest periods of such length available), as the Borrower may elect; provided, however, that if any Interest Period would end on a day other than a Business Day, such Interest Period shall be extended to the next succeeding Business Day unless such next succeeding Business Day would fall in the next calendar month, in which case such Interest Period shall end on the next preceding Business Day. Interest shall accrue from and including the first day of an Interest Period to but excluding the last day of such Interest Period.

"Interpolated Rate" shall mean, in relation to the LIBO Rate, the rate which results from interpolating on a linear basis between (a) the applicable LIBO Rate for the longest period (for which that LIBO Rate is available) which is less than the Interest Period of that Loan; and (b) the applicable LIBO Rate for the shortest period (for which that LIBO Rate is available) which exceeds the Interest Period of that Loan, each as of approximately 11:00 a.m. (London, England time) two Business Days prior to the commencement of such Interest Period of that Loan.

"Investment" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.04.

"IRS" shall mean the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.

"Issuing Bank" shall mean (i) each Revolving Facility Lender, (ii) for purposes of the Existing Roll-Over Letters of Credit, the Issuing Bank set forth on Schedule 1.01(C) and (iii) each other Issuing Bank designated pursuant to Section 2.05(l), in each case in its capacity as an issuer of Letters of Credit hereunder, and its successors in such capacity. An Issuing Bank may, in its discretion, arrange for one or more Letters of Credit to be issued by any domestic or foreign branch or Affiliate of such Issuing Bank, in which case the term "Issuing Bank" shall include any such branch or Affiliate with respect to Letters of Credit issued by such branch or Affiliate.

"Issuing Bank Fees" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.12(b).

"Joint Bookrunners" shall mean, collectively, Barclays Bank PLC, Goldman Sachs Bank USA, Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc. Citibank, N.A. and SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.

"Judgment Currency" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.19.

"Junior Financing" shall mean any Indebtedness (other than intercompany Indebtedness) that is subordinated in right of payment to the Loan Obligations.

"Junior Liens" shall mean Liens on the Collateral that are junior to the Liens thereon securing the Term B Loans (and other Loan Obligations that are secured by Liens on the Collateral that rank pari passu with the Liens thereon securing the Term B Loans) pursuant to a Permitted Junior Intercreditor Agreement (it being understood that Junior Liens are not required to be pari passu with other Junior Liens, and that Indebtedness secured by Junior Liens may have Liens that are senior in priority to, or pari passu with, or junior in priority to, other Liens constituting Junior Liens).

"L/C Disbursement" shall mean a payment or disbursement made by an Issuing Bank pursuant to a Letter of Credit.

"L/C Participation Fee" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.12(b).

"<u>Latest Maturity Date</u>" shall mean, at any date of determination, the latest of the latest Revolving Facility Maturity Date and the latest Term Facility Maturity Date, in each case then in effect on such date of determination.

- "LCT Election" shall have the meaning provided in Section 1.09.
- "LCT Test Date" shall have the meaning provided in Section 1.09.
- "<u>Lender</u>" shall mean each financial institution listed on <u>Schedule 2.01</u> (other than any such person that has ceased to be a party hereto pursuant to an Assignment and Acceptance in accordance with Section 9.04), as well as any person that becomes a "Lender" hereunder pursuant to Section 9.04 or Section 2.21.
  - "Lender Presentation" shall mean the lender presentation dated September 2019, as modified or supplemented prior to the Closing Date.
- "<u>Lending Office</u>" shall mean, as to any Lender, the applicable branch, office or Affiliate of such Lender designated by such Lender to make Loans.
- "Letter of Credit" shall mean any letter of credit or bank guarantee issued pursuant to Section 2.05, including any Alternate Currency Letter of Credit. Each Existing Roll-Over Letter of Credit shall be deemed to constitute a Letter of Credit issued hereunder on the Closing Date for all purposes of the Loan Documents.
- "<u>Letter of Credit Commitment</u>" shall mean, with respect to each Issuing Bank, the commitment of such Issuing Bank to issue Letters of Credit pursuant to Section 2.05.
- "Letter of Credit Sublimit" shall mean the aggregate Letter of Credit Commitments of the Issuing Banks, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$15,000,000 (calculated, in the case of Alternate Currency Letters of Credit, based on the Dollar Equivalent thereof) or such larger amount not to exceed the Revolving Facility Commitment as the Administrative Agent and the applicable Issuing Bank may agree.
  - "LIBO Rate" shall mean the US LIBO Rate, the EURIBO Rate or the Alternate Currency LIBO Rate, as the context may require.
- "Lien" shall mean, with respect to any asset, (a) any mortgage, deed of trust, lien, hypothecation, pledge, charge, security interest or similar monetary encumbrance in or on such asset and (b) the interest of a vendor or a lessor under any conditional sale agreement, capital lease or title retention agreement (or any financing lease having substantially the same economic effect as any of the foregoing) relating to such asset; <u>provided</u>, that in no event shall an operating lease or an agreement to sell be deemed to constitute a Lien.
- "<u>Limited Condition Transaction</u>" shall mean (a) any acquisition by the Borrower or one or more of the Subsidiaries of any assets, business or person or an Investment by the Borrower or one or more of the Subsidiaries, in each case, permitted to be made under this Agreement and whose consummation is not conditioned on the availability of, or on obtaining, third party financing or (b) any redemption, satisfaction and discharge or repayment of Junior Financing or preferred stock requiring irrevocable notice in advance of such redemption satisfaction and discharge or repayment.
- "<u>Loan Documents</u>" shall mean (i) this Agreement, (ii) the Subsidiary Guarantee Agreement, (iii) the Security Documents, (iv) each Incremental Assumption Agreement, (v) any Intercreditor Agreement, (vi) any Note issued under Section 2.09(e), (vii) the Letters of Credit and (viii) solely for the purposes of Sections 4.02 and 7.01 hereof, the Engagement and Fee Letter.

"Loan Obligations" shall mean (a) the due and punctual payment by the Borrower of (i) the unpaid principal of and interest (including interest accruing during the pendency of any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or other similar proceeding, regardless of whether allowed or allowable in such proceeding) on the Loans made to the Borrower under this Agreement, when and as due, whether at maturity, by acceleration, upon one or more dates set for prepayment or otherwise, (ii) each payment required to be made by the Borrower under this Agreement in respect of any Letter of Credit, when and as due, including payments in respect of reimbursement of disbursements, interest thereon (including interest accruing during the pendency of any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or other similar proceeding, regardless of whether allowed or allowable in such proceeding) and obligations to provide Cash Collateral and (iii) all other monetary obligations of the Borrower owed under or pursuant to this Agreement and each other Loan Document, including obligations to pay fees, expense reimbursement obligations and indemnification obligations, whether primary, secondary, direct, contingent, fixed or otherwise (including monetary obligations incurred during the pendency of any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or other similar proceeding, regardless of whether allowed or allowable in such proceeding), and (b) the due and punctual payment of all obligations of each other Loan Party under or pursuant to each of the Loan Documents.

"Loan Parties" shall mean the Borrower and the Subsidiary Loan Parties.

"Loans" shall mean the Term Loans and the Revolving Facility Loans.

"<u>Local Time</u>" shall mean New York City time (daylight or standard, as applicable); <u>provided</u> that, with respect to any Alternate Currency Loan, "Local Time" shall mean the local time of the applicable Lending Office.

"Majority Lenders" of any Facility shall mean, at any time, Lenders under such Facility having Loans and unused Commitments representing more than 50% of the sum of all Loans outstanding under such Facility and unused Commitments under such Facility at such time (subject to the last paragraph of Section 9.08(b)).

"Margin Stock" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Regulation U.

"Material Adverse Effect" shall mean a material adverse effect on the business, property, operations or financial condition of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, or the validity or enforceability of any of the Loan Documents or the rights and remedies of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders thereunder.

"Material Indebtedness" shall mean Indebtedness for borrowed money (other than intercompany Indebtedness, Loans and Letters of Credit) of any one or more of the Borrower or any Subsidiary in an aggregate principal amount exceeding \$30,000,000; provided that in no event shall any Permitted Securitization Financing be considered Material Indebtedness.

"Material Real Property" shall mean any parcel or parcels of Real Property located in the United States now or hereafter owned in fee by the Borrower or any Subsidiary Loan Party and having a fair market value (on a per-property basis) of at least \$5,000,000 as of (x) the Closing Date, for Real Property owned on the Closing Date or (y) the date of acquisition, for Real Property acquired after the Closing Date, in each case as determined by the Borrower in good faith; provided, that "Material Real Property" shall not include any Real Property in respect of which the Borrower or a Subsidiary Loan Party does not own the land in fee simple.

"Material Subsidiary" shall mean any Subsidiary other than an Immaterial Subsidiary.

"Maximum Rate" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.09.

"Minimum L/C Collateral Amount" shall mean, at any time, in connection with any Letter of Credit, (i) with respect to Cash Collateral consisting of cash or deposit account balances, an amount equal to 103% of the Revolving L/C Exposure with respect to such Letter of Credit at such time and (ii) otherwise, an amount sufficient to provide credit support with respect to such Revolving L/C Exposure as determined by the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Banks in their sole discretion.

"Moody's" shall mean Moody's Investors Service, Inc. and its successors and assigns.

"Mortgaged Properties" shall mean, collectively, (i) the Closing Date Mortgaged Properties and (ii) any Material Real Property encumbered by a Mortgage after the Closing Date pursuant to Section 5.10.

"Mortgages" shall mean, collectively, the mortgages, trust deeds, deeds of trust, deeds to secure debt, assignments of leases and rents, and other security documents (including amendments to any of the foregoing) delivered with respect to the Mortgaged Properties, each substantially in the form of <a href="Exhibit K">Exhibit K</a> (with such changes to account for local law matters) or otherwise in a form reasonably acceptable to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, including all such changes as may be required to account for local law matters.

"Multiemployer Plan" shall mean a multiemployer plan as defined in Section 4001(a)(3) of ERISA to which the Borrower or any Subsidiary or any ERISA Affiliate (other than one considered an ERISA Affiliate only pursuant to subsection (m) or (o) of Code Section 414) is making or accruing an obligation to make contributions, or has within any of the preceding six plan years made or accrued an obligation to make contributions.

"Net First Lien Leverage Ratio" shall mean, on any date, the ratio of (A) (i) the sum of, without duplication, (x) the aggregate principal amount of any Consolidated Debt consisting of Loan Obligations outstanding as of the last day of the Test Period most recently ended as of such date that are then secured by first-priority Liens on any assets or property of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries and (y) the aggregate principal amount of any other Consolidated Debt of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries outstanding as of the last day of such Test Period that is then secured by Liens on the Collateral that are Other First Liens less (ii) without duplication, up to \$50,000,000 of Unrestricted Cash and unrestricted Permitted Investments of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the last day of such Test Period, to (B) EBITDA for such Test Period, all determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP; provided, that the Net First Lien Leverage Ratio shall be determined for the relevant Test Period on a Pro Forma Basis.

"Net Income" shall mean, with respect to any person, the net income (loss) of such person, determined in accordance with GAAP and before any reduction in respect of preferred stock dividends.

## "Net Proceeds" shall mean:

(a) 100% of the cash proceeds actually received by the Borrower or any Subsidiary (including any cash payments received by way of deferred payment of principal pursuant to a note or installment receivable or purchase price adjustment receivable or otherwise and including casualty insurance settlements and condemnation awards, but only as and when received) from any Asset Sale under Section 6.05(g) (or Sale and Lease-Back Transactions under Section 6.03(b)(x)), net of (i) attorneys' fees, accountants' fees, investment banking fees, survey costs,

title insurance premiums, and related search and recording charges, transfer taxes, deed or mortgage recording taxes, required debt payments and required payments of other obligations relating to the applicable asset to the extent such debt or obligations are secured by a Lien permitted hereunder (other than pursuant to the Loan Documents) on such asset, other customary expenses and brokerage, consultant and other customary fees actually incurred in connection therewith, (ii) Taxes paid or payable (in the good faith determination of the Borrower) as a result thereof (including the amount of any distributions in respect thereof pursuant to Section 6.06(b)(iii) or Section 6.06(b)(v)), (iii) the amount of any reasonable reserve established in accordance with GAAP against any adjustment to the sale price or any liabilities (other than any taxes deducted pursuant to clause (i) or (ii) above) (x) related to any of the applicable assets and (y) retained by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries including, without limitation, pension and other post-employment benefit liabilities and liabilities related to environmental matters or against any indemnification obligations associated with such transaction (however, the amount of any subsequent reduction of such reserve (other than in connection with a payment in respect of any such liability) shall be deemed to be cash proceeds of such Asset Sale occurring on the date of such reduction) and (iv) payments made on a ratable basis (or less than ratable basis) to holders of non-controlling interests in non-Wholly Owned Subsidiaries as a result of such Asset Sale; provided, that, if the Borrower shall deliver a certificate of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower to the Administrative Agent promptly following receipt of any such proceeds setting forth the Borrower's intention to use any portion of such proceeds, within 18 months of such receipt, to acquire, maintain, develop, construct, improve, upgrade or repair assets used or useful in the business of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries or to make Permitted Acquisitions and other Investments permitted hereunder (excluding Permitted Investments or intercompany Investments in Subsidiaries) or to reimburse the cost of any of the foregoing incurred on or after the date on which the Asset Sale giving rise to such proceeds was contractually committed, such portion of such proceeds shall not constitute Net Proceeds except to the extent not, within 18 months of such receipt, so used or contractually committed to be so used (it being understood that if any portion of such proceeds are not so used within such 18 month period but within such 18 month period are contractually committed to be used, then such remaining portion if not so used within six months following the end of such 18 month period shall constitute Net Proceeds as of such date without giving effect to this proviso); provided, further, that (x) no net cash proceeds calculated in accordance with the foregoing realized in a single transaction or series of related transactions shall constitute Net Proceeds unless such net cash proceeds shall exceed \$10,000,000 (and thereafter only net cash proceeds in excess of such amount shall constitute Net Proceeds) and (y) no net cash proceeds calculated in accordance with the foregoing shall constitute Net Proceeds in any fiscal year until the aggregate amount of all such net cash proceeds otherwise constituting Net Proceeds pursuant to the foregoing clause (x) in such fiscal year shall exceed \$30,000,000 (and thereafter only net cash proceeds in excess of such amount shall constitute Net Proceeds); and

(b) 100% of the cash proceeds from the incurrence, issuance or sale by the Borrower or any Subsidiary Loan Party of any Indebtedness (other than Excluded Indebtedness), net of all taxes and fees (including investment banking fees), commissions, costs and other expenses, in each case incurred in connection with such incurrence, issuance or sale.

"Net Secured Leverage Ratio" shall mean, on any date, the ratio of (A) (i) without duplication, the aggregate principal amount of any Consolidated Debt of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries outstanding as of the last day of such Test Period that is then secured by Liens on any assets or property of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries less (ii) without duplication, up to \$50,000,000 of Unrestricted Cash and unrestricted Permitted Investments of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the last day of such Test Period, to (B) EBITDA for such Test Period, all determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP; provided, that the Net Secured Leverage Ratio shall be determined for the relevant Test Period on a Pro Forma Basis.

"<u>Net Share Settlement</u>" shall mean any settlement received by any holder of Convertible Securities upon any surrender of its Convertible Securities for conversion consisting of Equity Interests, cash or a combination of cash and Equity Interests.

"Net Total Leverage Ratio" shall mean, on any date, the ratio of (A) (i) without duplication, the aggregate principal amount of any Consolidated Debt of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries outstanding as of the last day of the Test Period most recently ended as of such date less (ii) without duplication, up to \$50,000,000 of Unrestricted Cash and unrestricted Permitted Investments of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the last day of such Test Period, to (B) EBITDA for such Test Period, all determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP; provided, that the Net Total Leverage Ratio shall be determined for the relevant Test Period on a Pro Forma Basis.

"New Class Loans" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.08(f).

"New Parent" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of the term "Change in Control".

"New Project" shall mean (x) each plant, facility, branch, office or business unit which is either a new plant, facility, branch, office or business unit, or an expansion, relocation, remodeling, refurbishment or substantial modernization of an existing plant, facility, branch, office or business unit owned by the Borrower or the Subsidiaries which in fact commences operations and (y) each creation (in one or a series of related transactions) of a business unit, product line or service offering to the extent such business unit commences operations or such product line or service is offered or each expansion (in one or a series of related transactions) of business into a new market or through a new distribution method or channel.

"Non-Bank Tax Certificate" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.17(e)(i).

"Non-Consenting Lender" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.19(c).

"Non-Defaulting Lender" shall mean, at any time, each Lender that is not a Defaulting Lender at such time.

"Note" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.09(e).

"Nuance" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the introductory paragraph.

"Nuance Registration Statement" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the introductory paragraph.

"Nuance Transfer" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the introductory paragraph.

"Obligations" shall mean, collectively, (a) the Loan Obligations, (b) obligations in respect of any Secured Cash Management Agreement and (c) obligations in respect of any Secured Hedge Agreement.

"OFAC" shall have the meaning provided in Section 3.25(b).

"Other First Lien Debt" shall mean obligations secured by Other First Liens.

"Other First Liens" shall mean Liens on the Collateral that are pari passu with the Liens thereon securing the Term B Loans (and other Loan Obligations that are secured by Liens on the Collateral that are pari passu with the Liens thereon securing the Term B Loans) pursuant to a Permitted Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement.

"Other Revolving Facility Commitments" shall mean Incremental Revolving Facility Commitments to make Other Revolving Loans.

"Other Revolving Loans" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.21.

"Other Taxes" shall mean any and all present or future stamp or documentary Taxes or any other excise, transfer, sales, property, intangible, mortgage recording or similar Taxes arising from any payment made hereunder or under any other Loan Document or from the execution, registration, delivery or enforcement of, consummation or administration of, from the receipt or perfection of security interest under, or otherwise with respect to, the Loan Documents (but excluding any Excluded Taxes).

"Other Term Loans" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.21 (including in the form of Extended Term Loans or Refinancing Term Loans, as applicable).

"Parent Entity" shall mean any direct or indirect parent of the Borrower.

"Pari Term Loans" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.02.

"Pari Yield Differential" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.02.

"Participant" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.04(d)(i).

"Participant Register" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.04(d)(ii).

"Participating Member State" shall mean each state so described in any EMU Legislation.

"PBGC" shall mean the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation referred to and defined in ERISA.

"<u>Perfection Certificate</u>" shall mean the Perfection Certificate with respect to the Borrower and the other Loan Parties in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, as the same may be supplemented from time to time to the extent required by Section 5.04(f).

"Permitted Acquisition" shall mean any acquisition of all or substantially all the assets of, or all or substantially all the Equity Interests (other than directors' qualifying shares) not previously held by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in, or merger, consolidation or amalgamation with, a person or division or line of business of a person (or any subsequent investment made in a person or division or line of business previously acquired in a Permitted Acquisition), if immediately after giving effect thereto: (i) no Event of Default under clause (b), (c), (h) or (i) of Section 7.01 shall have occurred and be continuing or would result therefrom, provided, however, that with respect to a proposed acquisition pursuant to an executed acquisition agreement, at the option of the Borrower, the determination of whether such an Event of Default shall exist shall be made solely at the time of the execution of the acquisition agreement related to such Permitted Acquisition; (ii) with respect to any such acquisition or investment with cash consideration in excess of \$25,000,000, the Borrower shall be in Pro Forma

Compliance immediately after giving effect to such acquisition or investment and any related transaction; (iii) any acquired or newly formed Subsidiary shall not be liable for any Indebtedness except for Indebtedness permitted by Section 6.01; and (iv) to the extent required by Section 5.10, any person acquired in such acquisition, if acquired by the Borrower or a Domestic Subsidiary, shall be merged into the Borrower or a Subsidiary Loan Party or become upon consummation of such acquisition a Subsidiary Loan Party.

"Permitted Call Spread Agreements" shall mean (a) any contract (including, but not limited to, any convertible bond hedge or capped call transaction) pursuant to which, among other things, the Borrower acquires an option requiring the counterparty thereto to deliver to the Borrower shares of common stock of the Borrower, cash in lieu of delivering shares of common stock or cash representing the termination value of such option or a combination thereof from time to time upon exercise or early termination of such option and (b) any contract pursuant to which, among other things, the Borrower issues to the counterparty thereto warrants to acquire shares of common stock of the Borrower, the cash value of such shares or a combination thereof upon exercise of such warrants, in each case entered into by the Borrower in connection with the issuance of Convertible Securities (including, without limitation, the exercise of any over-allotment or underwriter's option); provided that the terms, conditions and covenants of such contract are customary for contracts of such type (as determined by the Borrower in good faith).

"<u>Permitted Cure Securities</u>" shall mean any common Equity Interests (or other Equity Interests reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent) of the Borrower issued pursuant to the Cure Right other than Disqualified Stock.

## "Permitted Investments" shall mean:

- (a) direct obligations of the United States of America or any member of the European Union or any agency thereof or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America or any member of the European Union or any agency thereof, in each case with maturities not exceeding two years from the date of acquisition thereof;
- (b) time deposit accounts, certificates of deposit, money market deposits, banker's acceptances and other bank deposits maturing within 180 days of the date of acquisition thereof issued by a bank or trust company that is organized under the laws of the United States of America, any state thereof or any foreign country recognized by the United States of America having capital, surplus and undivided profits in excess of \$250,000,000 and whose long-term debt, or whose parent holding company's long-term debt, is rated A (or such similar equivalent rating or higher by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization (as defined in Rule 436 under the Securities Act));
- (c) repurchase obligations with a term of not more than 180 days for underlying securities of the types described in clause (a) above entered into with a bank meeting the qualifications described in clause (b) above;
- (d) commercial paper, maturing not more than one year after the date of acquisition, issued by a corporation (other than an Affiliate of the Borrower) organized and in existence under the laws of the United States of America or any foreign country recognized by the United States of America with a rating at the time as of which any investment therein is made of P 1 (or higher) according to Moody's, F 1 (or higher) according to Fitch, or A 1 (or higher) according to S&P (or such similar equivalent rating or higher by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization (as defined in Rule 436 under the Securities Act));

- (e) securities with maturities of two years or less from the date of acquisition, issued or fully guaranteed by any State, commonwealth or territory of the United States of America, or by any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof, and rated at least A by S&P, A by Moody's or A by Fitch (or such similar equivalent rating or higher by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization (as defined in Rule 436 under the Securities Act));
- (f) shares of mutual funds whose investment guidelines restrict 95% of such funds' investments to those satisfying the provisions of clauses (a) through (e) above;
- (g) money market funds that (i) comply with the criteria set forth in Rule 2a 7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, (ii) are rated by any two of (1) AAA by S&P, (2) Aaa by Moody's or (3) AAA by Fitch and (iii) have portfolio assets of at least \$5,000,000,000;
  - (h) time deposit accounts, certificates of deposit, money market deposits, banker's acceptances and other bank deposits;
  - (i) [reserved];
- (j) instruments equivalent to those referred to in clauses (a) through (i) above denominated in any foreign currency comparable in credit quality and tenor to those referred to above and commonly used by corporations for cash management purposes in any jurisdiction outside the United States of America to the extent reasonably required in connection with any business conducted by any Subsidiary organized in such jurisdiction; and
- (k) Investments that are consistent with the investment policy of the Borrower, as it may be amended from time to time, that has been adopted by the board of directors (or committee thereof) of the Borrower and approved by the Administrative Agent.

"Permitted Junior Intercreditor Agreement" shall mean, with respect to any Liens on Collateral that are intended to be junior to the Liens on the Collateral securing the Term B Loans (and other Loan Obligations that are secured by Liens on the Collateral that are pari passu with the Liens thereon securing the Term B Loans) (including, for the avoidance of doubt, junior Liens pursuant to Section 2.21(b)(ii) or (v)), either (as the Borrower shall elect) (x) the First Lien/Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement if such Liens secure "Second Lien Obligations" (as defined therein), (y) another intercreditor agreement not materially less favorable to the Lenders vis-à-vis such junior Liens than the First Lien/Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement (as determined by the Borrower in good faith) or (z) another intercreditor agreement the terms of which are consistent with market terms governing security arrangements for the sharing of liens on a junior basis at the time such intercreditor agreement is proposed to be established in light of the type of Indebtedness to be secured by such liens, as determined by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower in the exercise of reasonable judgment.

"Permitted Liens" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.02.

"Permitted Loan Purchase" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.04(i).

"<u>Permitted Loan Purchase Assignment and Acceptance</u>" shall mean an assignment and acceptance entered into by a Lender as an Assignor and the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries as an Assignee, as accepted by the Administrative Agent (if required by Section 9.04) in the form of <a href="Exhibit F"><u>Exhibit F</u></a> or such other form as shall be approved by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower (such approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed).

"Permitted Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement" shall mean, with respect to any Liens on Collateral that are intended to be pari passu with the Liens on the Collateral securing the Term B Loans (and other Loan Obligations that are secured by Liens on the Collateral that are pari passu with the Liens thereon securing the Term B Loans), either (as the Borrower shall elect) (x) the First Lien/First Lien Intercreditor Agreement, (y) another intercreditor agreement not materially less favorable to the Lenders vis-à-vis such pari passu Liens than the First Lien/First Lien Intercreditor Agreement (as determined by the Borrower in good faith) or (z) another intercreditor agreement the terms of which are consistent with market terms governing security arrangements for the sharing of liens on a pari passu basis at the time such intercreditor agreement is proposed to be established in light of the type of Indebtedness to be secured by such liens, as determined by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower in the exercise of reasonable judgment.

"Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness" shall mean any Indebtedness issued in exchange for, or the net proceeds of which are used to extend, refinance, renew, replace, defease or refund (collectively, to "Refinance"), the Indebtedness (or unutilized commitments in respect of Indebtedness (only to the extent the committed amount (i) could have been incurred on the date of the initial incurrence and was deemed incurred at such time for purposes of this definition or (ii) could have been incurred other than as Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness on the date of such Refinancing)) being Refinanced (or previous refinancings thereof constituting Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness); provided, that (a) the principal amount (or accreted value, if applicable) or, if greater, committed amount (only to the extent the committed amount (i) could have been incurred on the date of the initial incurrence and was deemed incurred at such time for purposes of this definition or (ii) could have been incurred other than as Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness on the date of such Refinancing) of such Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness does not exceed the principal amount (or accreted value, if applicable) or, if greater, committed amount of the Indebtedness so Refinanced (plus unpaid accrued interest and premium (including tender premiums) thereon and underwriting discounts, defeasance costs, fees, commissions, expenses (including mortgage and similar taxes), plus an amount equal to any existing commitment unutilized thereunder and letters of credit undrawn thereunder), (b) except with respect to Section 6.01(i), (i) the final maturity date of such Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness is on or after the earlier of (x) the final maturity date of the Indebtedness being Refinanced and (y) the Latest Maturity Date in effect at the time of incurrence thereof and (ii) the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of such Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness is greater than or equal to the lesser of (i) the remaining Weighted Average Life to Maturity of the Indebtedness being Refinanced and (ii) the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of the Class of Term Loans then outstanding with the greatest remaining Weighted Average Life to Maturity, (c) if the Indebtedness being Refinanced is subordinated in right of payment to the Loan Obligations under this Agreement, such Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness shall be subordinated in right of payment to such Loan Obligations on terms in the aggregate not materially less favorable to the Lenders as those contained in the documentation governing the Indebtedness being Refinanced, (d) no Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness shall have obligors that are not (or would not have been) obligated with respect to the Indebtedness being so Refinanced (except that a Loan Party may be added as an additional obligor) and (e) if the Indebtedness being Refinanced is secured by Liens on any Collateral (whether senior to, equally and ratably with, or junior to the Liens on such Collateral securing the Loan Obligations or otherwise), such Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness may be secured by such Collateral (including any Collateral pursuant to after-acquired property clauses to the extent any such Collateral secured (or would have secured) the Indebtedness being Refinanced) on terms in the aggregate that are substantially similar to, or not materially less favorable to the Secured Parties than, the Indebtedness being Refinanced or on terms otherwise permitted by Section 6.02.

"Permitted Securitization Documents" shall mean all documents and agreements evidencing, relating to or otherwise governing a Permitted Securitization Financing.

"Permitted Securitization Financing" shall mean one or more transactions pursuant to which (i) Securitization Assets or interests therein are sold or transferred to or financed by one or more Special Purpose Securitization Subsidiaries, and (ii) such Special Purpose Securitization Subsidiaries finance (or refinance) their acquisition of such Securitization Assets or interests therein, or the financing thereof, by selling or borrowing against Securitization Assets (including conduit and warehouse financings) and any Hedging Agreements entered into in connection with such Securitization Assets; provided, that recourse to the Borrower or any Subsidiary (other than the Special Purpose Securitization Subsidiaries) in connection with such transactions shall be limited to the extent customary (as determined by the Borrower in good faith) for similar transactions in the applicable jurisdictions (including, to the extent applicable, in a manner consistent with the delivery of a "true sale"/"absolute transfer" opinion with respect to any transfer by the Borrower or any Subsidiary (other than a Special Purpose Securitization Subsidiary).

"person" shall mean any natural person, corporation, business trust, joint venture, association, company, partnership, limited liability company or government, individual or family trusts, or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

"Plan" shall mean any employee pension benefit plan (other than a Multiemployer Plan) that is (i) subject to the provisions of Title IV of ERISA or Section 412 of the Code or Section 302 of ERISA, (ii) sponsored or maintained (at the time of determination or at any time within the five years prior thereto) by the Borrower, any Subsidiary or any ERISA Affiliate, and (iii) in respect of which the Borrower, any Subsidiary or any ERISA Affiliate is (or, if such plan were terminated, would under Section 4069 of ERISA be deemed to be) an "employer" as defined in Section 3(5) of ERISA.

"Platform" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.17(a).

"Pledged Collateral" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the Collateral Agreement.

"Pricing Grid" shall mean, with respect to the Initial Revolving Loans, Term B Loans and Revolving Facility Commitments, as applicable, the table set forth below:

# **Pricing Grid for Initial Revolving Loans**

Net First Lien Leverage Ratio	Applicable Margin for ABR Loans	Applicable Margin for Eurocurrency Loans
Greater than 1.75 to 1.00	5.00%	6.00%
Less than or equal to 1.75 to 1.00 but greater than		
1.25 to 1.00	4.75%	5.75%
Less than or equal to 1.25 to 1.00	4.50%	5.50%

#### **Pricing Grid for Revolving Facility Commitments**

Net First Lien Leverage Ratio	Applicable Commitment Fee
Greater than 1.75 to 1.00	0.50%
Less than or equal to 1.75 to 1.00	0.375%

For the purposes of the Pricing Grid, changes in the Applicable Margin and Applicable Commitment Fee resulting from changes in the Net First Lien Leverage Ratio shall become effective on the date (the "Adjustment Date") that is three Business Days after the date on which the relevant financial statements are delivered to the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 5.04 for each fiscal quarter beginning with the first full fiscal quarter of the Borrower ended after the Closing Date, and shall remain in effect until the next change to be effected pursuant to this paragraph. If any financial statements referred to in the preceding sentence are not delivered within the time periods specified in Section 5.04, then, at the option of the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders, until the date that is three Business Days after the date on which such financial statements are delivered, the pricing level that is one pricing level higher than the pricing level theretofore in effect shall apply as of the first Business Day after the date on which such financial statements were to have been delivered but were not delivered. Each determination of the Net First Lien Leverage Ratio pursuant to the Pricing Grid shall be made in a manner consistent with the determination thereof pursuant to Section 6.11.

"primary obligor" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of the term "Guarantee."

"Prime Rate" shall mean 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).

"Pro Forma Basis" shall mean, as to any person, for any events as described below that occur subsequent to the commencement of a period for which the financial effect of such events is being calculated, and giving effect to the events for which such calculation is being made, such calculation as will give pro forma effect to such events as if such events occurred on the first day of the four consecutive fiscal quarter period ended on or before the occurrence of such event (the "Reference Period"): (i) pro forma effect shall be given to any Disposition, any acquisition, Investment, capital expenditure, construction, repair, replacement, improvement, development, disposition, merger, amalgamation, consolidation (including the Transactions) (or any similar transaction or transactions whether or not otherwise permitted under Section 6.04 or 6.05 or that require a waiver or consent of the Required Lenders, but if so required, solely to the extent such waiver or consent has been obtained), any dividend, distribution or other similar payment, any designation of any Subsidiary as an Unrestricted Subsidiary and any Subsidiary Redesignation, and any restructurings of the business of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries that the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries has determined to make and/or made and in the good faith determination of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower are expected to have a continuing impact and are factually supportable, which would include cost savings resulting from head count reduction, closure of facilities and similar operational and other cost savings, which adjustments the Borrower determines are reasonable as set forth in a certificate of a Financial Officer of the Borrower (the

foregoing, together with any transactions related thereto or in connection therewith, the "relevant transactions"), in each case that occurred during the Reference Period (or, in the case of determinations made pursuant to Section 2.21 or Article VI (other than Section 6.11), occurring during the Reference Period or thereafter and through and including the date upon which the relevant transaction is consummated), (ii) in making any determination on a Pro Forma Basis, (x) all Indebtedness (including Indebtedness issued, incurred or assumed as a result of, or to finance, any relevant transactions and for which the financial effect is being calculated, whether incurred under this Agreement or otherwise, but excluding normal fluctuations in revolving Indebtedness incurred for working capital purposes and amounts outstanding under any Permitted Securitization Financing, in each case not to finance any acquisition) issued, incurred, assumed or permanently repaid during the Reference Period (or, in the case of determinations made pursuant to Section 2.21 or Article VI (other than Section 6.11), occurring during the Reference Period or thereafter and through and including the date upon which the relevant transaction is consummated) shall be deemed to have been issued, incurred, assumed or permanently repaid at the beginning of such period, and (y) Interest Expense of such person attributable to interest on any Indebtedness, for which pro forma effect is being given as provided in the preceding clause (x), bearing floating interest rates shall be computed on a pro forma basis as if the rates that would have been in effect during the period for which pro forma effect is being given had been actually in effect during such periods, and (iii) (A) for any Subsidiary Redesignation then being designated, effect shall be given to such Subsidiary Redesignation and all other Subsidiary Redesignations after the first day of the relevant Reference Period and on or prior to the date of the respective Subsidiary Redesignation then being designated, collectively, and (B) for any designation of a Subsidiary as an Unrestricted Subsidiary, effect shall be given to such designation and all other designations of Subsidiaries as Unrestricted Subsidiaries after the first day of the relevant Reference Period and on or prior to the date of the then applicable designation of a Subsidiary as an Unrestricted Subsidiary, collectively.

In the event that EBITDA or any financial ratio is being calculated for purposes of determining whether Indebtedness or any Lien relating thereto may be incurred or whether any Investment may be made, in each case, in connection with a Limited Condition Transaction, the Borrower may elect pursuant to a certificate of a Responsible Officer delivered to the Administrative Agent to treat all or any portion of the commitment relating thereto as being incurred at the time of such commitment, in which case any subsequent incurrence of Indebtedness under such commitment shall not be deemed, for purposes of this calculation, to be an incurrence at such subsequent time.

Pro forma calculations made pursuant to the definition of the term "Pro Forma Basis" shall be determined in good faith by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower and may include adjustments to reflect (1) operating expense reductions and other operating improvements, synergies or cost savings reasonably expected to result from any relevant pro forma event (including, to the extent applicable, the Transactions), which adjustments pursuant to this clause (1) shall (x) not exceed 15% of EBITDA for the Reference Period (calculated prior to giving effect to such capped adjustments (but for the avoidance of doubt, after giving effect to other uncapped pro forma adjustments)) and (y) only be included to the extent that the actions resulting in such operating expense reductions and other operating improvements, synergies or cost savings are taken or commenced or expected to be taken or commenced (in the good faith determination of the Borrower) with 12 months after the date any such calculation is performed and (2) all adjustments of the nature used in connection with the calculation of "Adjusted EBITDA" as set forth in the Lender Presentation to the extent such adjustments, without duplication, continue to be applicable to such Reference Period. The Borrower shall deliver to the Administrative Agent a certificate of a Financial Officer of the Borrower setting forth such operating expense reductions, other operating improvements or synergies and adjustments pursuant to clause (2) above, and information and calculations supporting them in reasonable detail.

For purposes of this definition, any amount in a currency other than Dollars will be converted to Dollars based on the average exchange rate for such currency for the most recent twelve month period immediately prior to the date of determination in a manner consistent with that used in calculating EBITDA for the applicable period.

"Pro Forma Compliance" shall mean, at any date of determination, that the Borrower and its Subsidiaries shall be in compliance, on a Pro Forma Basis after giving effect on a Pro Forma Basis to the relevant transactions (including the assumption, the issuance, incurrence and permanent repayment of Indebtedness), with the Financial Covenant recomputed as at the last day of the most recently ended fiscal quarter of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for which the financial statements and certificates required pursuant to Section 5.04 have been delivered. For the avoidance of doubt, Pro Forma Compliance shall be tested without regard to whether or not the Financial Covenant was or was required to be tested on the applicable quarter end date.

"Pro Rata Extension Offers" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.21(e).

"Pro Rata Share" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.08(f).

"<u>Projections</u>" shall mean the projections and any forward-looking statements (including statements with respect to booked business) of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries furnished to the Lenders or the Administrative Agent by or on behalf of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries prior to the Closing Date.

"PTE" shall mean a prohibited transaction class exemption issued by the U.S. Department of Labor, as any such exemption may be amended from time to time.

"Public Company Compliance" shall mean compliance with the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the rules and regulations promulgated in connection therewith, the provisions of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, and the rules of national securities exchange listed companies (in each case, as applicable to companies with equity or debt securities held by the public), including procuring directors' and officers' insurance, legal and other professional fees, and listing fees.

"Public Lender" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.17(b).

"QFC Credit Support" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.25.

"Qualified Equity Interests" shall mean any Equity Interest other than Disqualified Stock.

"Rate" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of the term "Type."

"Real Property" shall mean, collectively, all right, title and interest (including any leasehold estate) in and to any and all parcels of or interests in real property owned in fee or leased by any Loan Party, whether by lease, license, or other means, together with, in each case, all easements, hereditaments and appurtenances relating thereto, all improvements and appurtenant fixtures and equipment incidental to the ownership, lease or operation thereof.

"Receivables Assets" shall mean accounts receivable (including any bills of exchange) and related assets and property from time to time originated, acquired or otherwise owned by the Borrower or any Subsidiary.

"Reference Period" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of the term "Pro Forma Basis."

"Refinance" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of the term "Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness," and "Refinanced" and "Refinancings" shall have a meaning correlative thereto.

"Refinancing Effective Date" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.21(j).

"Refinancing Notes" shall mean any secured or unsecured notes or loans issued by the Borrower or any Subsidiary Loan Party (whether under an indenture, a credit agreement or otherwise) and the Indebtedness represented thereby; provided, that (a) 100% of the Net Proceeds of such Refinancing Notes are used to permanently reduce Loans and/or replace Commitments substantially simultaneously with the issuance thereof; (b) the principal amount (or accreted value, if applicable) of such Refinancing Notes does not exceed the principal amount (or accreted value, if applicable) of the aggregate portion of the Loans so reduced and/or Commitments so replaced (plus unpaid accrued interest and premium (including tender premiums) thereon and underwriting discounts, defeasance costs, fees, commissions and expenses); (c) the final maturity date of such Refinancing Notes is on or after the Term Facility Maturity Date or the Revolving Facility Maturity Date, as applicable, of the Term Loans so reduced or the Revolving Facility Commitments so replaced; (d) the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of such Refinancing Notes is greater than or equal to the remaining Weighted Average Life to Maturity of the Term Loans so reduced or the Revolving Facility Commitments so replaced, as applicable; (e) in the case of Refinancing Notes in the form of notes issued under an indenture, the terms thereof do not provide for any scheduled repayment, mandatory redemption or sinking fund obligations prior to the Term Facility Maturity Date of the Term Loans so reduced or the Revolving Facility Maturity Date of the Revolving Facility Commitments so replaced, as applicable (other than customary offers to repurchase or mandatory prepayment provisions upon a change of control, asset sale or event of loss and customary acceleration rights after an event of default); (f) the other terms of such Refinancing Notes (other than interest rates, fees, floors, funding discounts and redemption or prepayment premiums and other pricing terms), taken as a whole, either (A) reflect market terms and conditions (taken as a whole) at the time of incurrence or establishment, as determined by the Borrower in good faith or (B) are substantially similar to, or not materially less favorable to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries than the terms, taken as a whole, applicable to the Term B Loans (except for covenants or other provisions applicable only to periods after the Latest Maturity Date in effect at the time such Refinancing Notes are issued or those that are otherwise reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent), as determined by the Borrower in good faith (or, if more restrictive, the Loan Documents are amended to contain such more restrictive terms to the extent required to satisfy the foregoing standard); (g) there shall be no obligor in respect of such Refinancing Notes that is not a Loan Party; and (h) Refinancing Notes that are secured by Collateral shall be subject to the provisions of a Permitted Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement or a Permitted Junior Intercreditor Agreement, as applicable.

"Refinancing Term Loans" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.21(j).

"Register" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.04(b)(iv).

"Regulation T" shall mean Regulation T of the Board as from time to time in effect and all official rulings and interpretations thereunder or thereof.

"Regulation U" shall mean Regulation U of the Board as from time to time in effect and all official rulings and interpretations thereunder or thereof.

"Regulation X" shall mean Regulation X of the Board as from time to time in effect and all official rulings and interpretations thereunder or thereof.

"Related Fund" shall mean, with respect to any Lender that is a fund that invests in bank or commercial loans and similar extensions of credit, any other fund that invests in bank or commercial loans and similar extensions of credit and is advised or managed by (a) such Lender, (b) an Affiliate of such Lender or (c) an entity (or an Affiliate of such entity) that administers, advises or manages such Lender.

"Related Parties" shall mean, with respect to any specified person, such person's Controlled or Controlling Affiliates and the respective directors, trustees, officers, employees, agents and advisors of such person and such person's Controlled or Controlling Affiliates.

"Release" shall mean any spilling, leaking, seepage, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, discharging, injecting, escaping, leaching, dumping, disposing, depositing, emanating or migrating in, into, onto or through the Environment.

"Relevant Governmental Body" means the Federal Reserve Board and/or the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, or a committee officially endorsed or convened by the Federal Reserve Board and/or the Federal Reserve Bank of New York or any successor thereto.

"Reorganization Transactions" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the introductory paragraph.

"Replacement Revolving Facilities" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.20(l).

"Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.21(l).

"Replacement Revolving Facility Effective Date" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.21(l).

"Replacement Revolving Loans" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.21(l).

"Reportable Event" shall mean any reportable event as defined in Section 4043(c) of ERISA or the regulations issued thereunder, other than those events as to which the 30-day notice period referred to in Section 4043(c) of ERISA has been waived, with respect to a Plan (other than a Plan maintained by an ERISA Affiliate that is considered an ERISA Affiliate only pursuant to subsection (m) or (o) of Section 414 of the Code).

"Required Amount of Loans" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of the term "Required Lenders."

"Required Lenders" shall mean, at any time, Lenders having (a) Loans outstanding, (b) Revolving L/C Exposures, and (c) Available Unused Commitments that, taken together, represent more than 50% of the sum of (w) all Loans outstanding, (x) all Revolving L/C Exposures, and (y) the total Available Unused Commitments at such time; provided, that the Loans, Revolving L/C Exposures, and Available Unused Commitment of any Defaulting Lender shall be disregarded in determining Required Lenders at any time. For purposes of the foregoing, "Required Amount of Loans" shall mean, at any time, the amount of Loans required to be held by Lenders in order for such Lenders to constitute "Required Lenders" (without giving effect to the foregoing clause (ii)).

"Required Percentage" shall mean, with respect to an Applicable Period, 75%; provided, that (a) if the Net First Lien Leverage Ratio as at the end of the Applicable Period is less than or equal to 1.60 to 1.00 but greater than 1.10 to 1.00, such percentage shall be 50%, (b) if the Net First Lien Leverage Ratio as at the end of the Applicable Period is less than or equal 1.10 to 1.00 but greater than 0.60 to 1.00, such percentage shall be 25% and (c) if the Net First Lien Leverage Ratio as at the end of the Applicable Period is less than or equal to 0.60 to 1.00, such percentage shall be 0%.

"Required Prepayment Lenders" shall mean, at any time, the holders of more than 50% of the aggregate unpaid principal amount of the Term Loans at such time (subject to the last paragraph of Section 9.08(b)).

"Required Revolving Facility Lenders" shall mean, at any time, Revolving Facility Lenders having (a) Revolving Facility Loans outstanding, (b) Revolving L/C Exposures, and (c) Available Unused Commitments that, taken together, represent more than 50% of the sum of (w) all Revolving Facility Loans outstanding, (x) all Revolving L/C Exposures, and (y) the total Available Unused Commitments at such time; provided, that the Revolving Facility Loans, Revolving L/C Exposures, and Available Unused Commitment of any Defaulting Lender shall be disregarded in determining Required Revolving Facility Lenders at any time.

"Requirement of Law" shall mean, as to any person, any law, treaty, rule, regulation, statute, order, ordinance, decree, judgment, consent decree, writ, injunction, settlement agreement or governmental requirement enacted, promulgated or imposed or entered into or agreed by any Governmental Authority, in each case applicable to or binding upon such person or any of its property or assets or to which such person or any of its property or assets is subject.

"Responsible Officer" of any person shall mean any executive officer or Financial Officer of such person and any other officer or similar official thereof responsible for the administration of the obligations of such person in respect of this Agreement, or any other duly authorized employee or signatory of such person.

"Restricted Payments" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.06. The amount of any Restricted Payment made other than in the form of cash or cash equivalents shall be the fair market value thereof (as determined by the Borrower in good faith).

"Revaluation Date" shall mean (a) with respect to any Alternate Currency Letter of Credit, each of the following: (i) each date of issuance, extension or renewal of an Alternate Currency Letter of Credit, (ii) each date of an amendment of any Alternate Currency Letter of Credit having the effect of increasing the amount thereof, (iii) each date of any payment by the applicable Issuing Bank under any Alternate Currency Letter of Credit, and (iv) such additional dates as the Administrative Agent or the applicable Issuing Bank shall determine or the Required Lenders shall require and (b) with respect to any Alternate Currency Loans, each of the following: (i) each date of a Borrowing of Eurocurrency Revolving Loans denominated in an Alternate Currency, (ii) each date of a continuation of a Eurocurrency Revolving Loan denominated in an Alternate Currency pursuant to Section 2.07, and (iii) such additional dates as the Administrative Agent shall determine or the Majority Lenders under the Revolving Facility shall require.

"Revolving Facility" shall mean the Revolving Facility Commitments of any Class and the extensions of credit made hereunder by the Revolving Facility Lenders of such Class and, for purposes of Section 9.08(b), shall refer to all such Revolving Facility Commitments as a single Class.

"Revolving Facility Borrowing" shall mean a Borrowing comprised of Revolving Facility Loans of the same Class.

"Revolving Facility Commitment" shall mean, with respect to each Revolving Facility Lender, the commitment of such Revolving Facility Lender to make Revolving Facility Loans pursuant to Section 2.01(b), expressed as an amount representing the maximum aggregate permitted amount of such Revolving Facility Lender's Revolving Facility Credit Exposure hereunder, as such commitment may be (a) reduced from time to time pursuant to Section 2.08, (b) reduced or increased from time to time pursuant to assignments by or to such Lender under Section 9.04, and (c) increased (or replaced) as provided under Section 2.21. The initial amount of each Lender's Revolving Facility Commitment is set forth on Schedule 2.01 or in the Assignment and Acceptance or Incremental Assumption Agreement pursuant to which such Lender shall have assumed its Revolving Facility Commitment (or Incremental Revolving Facility Commitment), as applicable. The aggregate amount of the Lenders' Revolving Facility Commitments on the Closing Date is \$75,000,000. On the Closing Date, there is only one Class of Revolving Facility Commitments. After the Closing Date, additional Classes of Revolving Facility Commitments may be added or created pursuant to Incremental Assumption Agreements.

"Revolving Facility Credit Exposure" shall mean, at any time with respect to any Class of Revolving Facility Commitments, the sum of (a) the aggregate principal amount of the Revolving Facility Loans of such Class outstanding at such time (calculated, in the case of Alternate Currency Loans, based on the Dollar Equivalent thereof), and (b) the Revolving L/C Exposure applicable to such Class at such time minus, for the purpose of Sections 6.11 and 7.03, the amount of Letters of Credit that have been Cash Collateralized in an amount equal to the Minimum L/C Collateral Amount at such time. The Revolving Facility Credit Exposure of any Revolving Facility Lender at any time shall be the product of (x) such Revolving Facility Lender's Revolving Facility Percentage of the applicable Class and (y) the aggregate Revolving Facility Credit Exposure of such Class of all Revolving Facility Lenders, collectively, at such time.

"Revolving Facility Lender" shall mean a Lender (including an Incremental Revolving Facility Lender) with a Revolving Facility Commitment or with outstanding Revolving Facility Loans.

"Revolving Facility Loan" shall mean a Loan made by a Revolving Facility Lender pursuant to Section 2.01(b). Unless the context otherwise requires, the term "Revolving Facility Loans" shall include the Other Revolving Loans.

"Revolving Facility Maturity Date" shall mean, as the context may require, (a) with respect to the Revolving Facility in effect on the Closing Date, April 1, 2024 and (b) with respect to any other Classes of Revolving Facility Commitments, the maturity dates specified therefor in the applicable Incremental Assumption Agreement.

"Revolving Facility Percentage" shall mean, with respect to any Revolving Facility Lender of any Class, the percentage of the total Revolving Facility Commitments of such Class represented by such Lender's Revolving Facility Commitment of such Class. If the Revolving Facility Commitments of such Class have terminated or expired, the Revolving Facility Percentages of such Class shall be determined based upon the Revolving Facility Commitments of such Class most recently in effect, giving effect to any assignments pursuant to Section 9.04.

"Revolving Facility Termination Event" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.05(k).

"Revolving L/C Exposure" of any Class shall mean at any time the sum of (a) the aggregate undrawn amount of all Letters of Credit applicable to such Class outstanding at such time (calculated, in the case of Alternate Currency Letters of Credit, based on the Dollar Equivalent thereof) and (b) the aggregate principal amount of all L/C Disbursements applicable to such Class that have not yet been reimbursed at such time (calculated, in the case of Alternate Currency Letters of Credit, based on the Dollar Equivalent thereof). The Revolving L/C Exposure of any Class of any Revolving Facility Lender at any time shall mean its applicable Revolving Facility Percentage of the aggregate Revolving L/C Exposure applicable to such Class at such time. 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 Rule 3.14 of the International Standby Practices, International Chamber of Commerce No. 590, such Letter of Credit shall be deemed to be "outstanding" in the amount so remaining available to be drawn. 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, that with respect to any Letter of Credit that, by its terms or the terms of any document related thereto, provides for one or more automatic increases in the stated amount thereof, the 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.

"S&P" shall mean Standard & Poor's Ratings Group, Inc. and its successors and assigns.

"Sale and Lease-Back Transaction" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.03.

"Sanctions" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 3.25(b).

"Sanctions Laws" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 3.25(c).

"SEC" shall mean the Securities and Exchange Commission or any successor thereto.

"Secured Cash Management Agreement" shall mean any Cash Management Agreement that is entered into by and between any Loan Party and any Cash Management Bank, or any Guarantee by any Loan Party of any Cash Management Agreement entered into by and between any Subsidiary and any Cash Management Bank, in each case to the extent that such Cash Management Agreement or such Guarantee, as applicable, is not otherwise designated in writing by the Borrower and such Cash Management Bank to the Administrative Agent to not be included as a Secured Cash Management Agreement.

"Secured Hedge Agreement" shall mean any Hedging Agreement that is entered into by and between any Loan Party or any Subsidiary and any Hedge Bank, or any Guarantee by any Loan Party of any Hedging Agreement entered into by and between any Subsidiary and any Hedge Bank, in each case to the extent that such Hedging Agreement or such Guarantee, as applicable, is not otherwise designated in writing by the Borrower and such Hedge Bank to the Administrative Agent to not be included as a Secured Hedge Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for all purposes of the Loan Documents, any Guarantee of, or grant of any Lien to secure, any obligations in respect of a Secured Hedge Agreement by a Guarantor shall not include any Excluded Swap Obligations.

"Secured Parties" shall mean, collectively, the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent, each Lender, each Issuing Bank, each Hedge Bank that is party to any Secured Hedge Agreement, each Cash Management Bank that is party to any Secured Cash Management Agreement and each sub-agent appointed pursuant to Section 8.02 by the Administrative Agent with respect to matters relating to the Loan Documents or by the Collateral Agent with respect to matters relating to any Security Document.

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

"Securitization Assets" shall mean any of the following assets (or interests therein) from time to time originated, acquired or otherwise owned by the Borrower or any Subsidiary or in which the Borrower or any Subsidiary has any rights or interests, in each case, without regard to where such assets or interests are located: (a) Receivables Assets, (b) franchise fees, royalties and other similar payments made related to the use of trade names and other Intellectual Property, business support, training and other services, (c) revenues related to distribution and merchandising of the products of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, (d) rents, real estate taxes and other non-royalty amounts due from franchisees, (e) [reserved], (f) parcels of or interests in real property, together with all easements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto, all improvements and appurtenant fixtures and equipment incidental to the ownership, lease or operation thereof, (g) any Equity Interests of any Special Purpose Securitization Subsidiary or any Subsidiary of a Special Purpose Securitization Subsidiary and any rights under any limited liability company agreement, trust agreement, shareholders agreement, organization or formation documents or other agreement entered into in furtherance of the organization of such entity, (h) any equipment, contractual rights with unaffiliated third parties, website domains and associated property and rights necessary for a Special Purpose Securitization Subsidiary to operate in accordance with its stated purposes, (i) any rights and obligations associated with gift card or similar programs, and (j) other assets and property (or proceeds of such assets or property) to the extent customarily included in securitization transactions of the relevant type in the applicable jurisdictions (as determined by the Borrower in good faith).

"Security Documents" shall mean the Mortgages, the Collateral Agreement, the Notices of Grant of Security Interest in Intellectual Property (as defined in the Collateral Agreement), and each of the security agreements, pledge agreements and other instruments and documents executed and delivered pursuant to any of the foregoing or pursuant to Section 5.10.

"Separation and Distribution Agreement" shall mean the Separation and Distribution Agreement, executed prior to the execution of this Agreement, by and between the Borrower and Nuance.

"Similar Business" shall mean any business, the majority of whose revenues are derived from (i) business or activities conducted by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on the Closing Date, (ii) any business that is a natural outgrowth or reasonable extension, development or expansion of any such business or any business similar, reasonably related, incidental, complementary or ancillary to any of the foregoing or (iii) any business that in the Borrower's good faith business judgment constitutes a reasonable diversification of businesses conducted by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries.

"SOFR" with respect to any day means the secured overnight financing rate published for such day by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, as the administrator of the benchmark (or a successor administrator) on the Federal Reserve Bank of New York's Website.

"Special Flood Hazard Area" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.02(c).

"Special Purpose Securitization Subsidiary." shall mean (i) a direct or indirect Subsidiary of the Borrower established in connection with a Permitted Securitization Financing for the acquisition of Securitization Assets or interests therein, and which is organized in a manner (as determined by the Borrower in good faith) intended to reduce the likelihood that it would be substantively consolidated with the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries (other than Special Purpose Securitization Subsidiaries) in the event the Borrower or any such Subsidiary becomes subject to a proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code (or other insolvency law) and (ii) any subsidiary of a Special Purpose Securitization Subsidiary.

"Specified L/C Sublimit" shall mean, with respect to any Issuing Bank, the amounts set forth beside such Issuing Bank's name on Schedule 1.01(F) hereto or, in each case, such other amount as specified in the agreement pursuant to which such person becomes an Issuing Bank hereunder or, in each case, such larger amount not to exceed the Revolving Facility Commitment as the Administrative Agent and the applicable Issuing Bank may agree or, with respect to the Issuing Bank under an Existing Roll-Over Letter of Credit, the additional amount of such Existing Roll-Over Letter of Credit.

"Spin-Off" shall mean the spin-off of the Borrower into a new publicly traded company, which will operate the automotive technology business owned by Nuance and its Subsidiaries as of the date immediately prior to the Closing Date.

"Spot Rate" shall mean, with respect to any currency, the rate determined by the Administrative Agent or the applicable Issuing Bank, as applicable, to be the rate quoted by the person acting in such capacity as the spot rate for the purchase by such person of such currency with another currency through its principal foreign exchange trading office at approximately 11:00 a.m., Local Time on the date three Business Days prior to the date as of which the foreign exchange computation is made or if such rate cannot be computed as of such date such other date as the Administrative Agent or such Issuing Bank shall reasonably determine is appropriate under the circumstances; provided, that the Administrative Agent or such Issuing Bank may obtain such spot rate from another financial institution designated by the Administrative Agent or such Issuing Bank if the person acting in such capacity does not have as of the date of determination a spot buying rate for any such currency.

"Standby Letters of Credit" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.05(a).

"Statutory Reserves" shall mean the aggregate of the maximum reserve percentages (including any marginal, special, emergency or supplemental reserves) expressed as a decimal established by the Board and any other banking authority, domestic or foreign, to which the Administrative Agent or any Lender (including any branch, Affiliate or other fronting office making or holding a Loan) is subject for Eurocurrency Liabilities (as defined in Regulation D of the Board). Eurocurrency Loans shall be deemed to constitute Eurocurrency Liabilities (as defined in Regulation D of the Board) and to be subject to such reserve requirements without benefit of or credit for proration, exemptions or offsets that may be available from time to time to any Lender under such Regulation D. Statutory Reserves shall be adjusted automatically on and as of the effective date of any change in any reserve percentage.

"Subagent" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 8.02.

"Subject Term Loan" shall mean Other Term Loans or Incremental Equivalent Debt in the form of term loans, in each case, incurred pursuant to clause (a) of Section 2.21 (or, in the case of Incremental Equivalent Debt, Section 6.01(z)(i)) that is secured by Liens on the Collateral that rank pari passu in right of security with the Liens thereon securing the Term B Loans.

"subsidiary" shall mean, with respect to any person (herein referred to as the "parent"), any corporation, partnership, association or other business entity (a) of which securities or other ownership interests representing more than 50% of the equity or more than 50% of the ordinary voting power or more than 50% of the general partnership interests are, at the time any determination is being made, directly or indirectly, owned, Controlled or held, or (b) that is, at the time any determination is made, otherwise Controlled, by the parent or one or more subsidiaries of the parent or by the parent and one or more subsidiaries of the parent.

"Subsidiary" shall mean, unless the context otherwise requires, a subsidiary of the Borrower. Notwithstanding the foregoing (and except for purposes of the definition of "Unrestricted Subsidiary" contained herein) an Unrestricted Subsidiary shall be deemed not to be a Subsidiary of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries for purposes of this Agreement.

"Subsidiary Guarantee Agreement" shall mean the Subsidiary Guarantee Agreement dated as of the Closing Date as may be amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, between each Subsidiary Loan Party and the Collateral Agent.

"Subsidiary Loan Party" shall mean (a) each Wholly Owned Domestic Subsidiary of the Borrower that is not an Excluded Subsidiary and (b) any other Domestic Subsidiary of the Borrower that may be designated by the Borrower (by way of delivering to the Collateral Agent a supplement to the Collateral Agreement and a supplement to the Subsidiary Guarantee Agreement, in each case, duly executed by such Subsidiary) from time to time to be a guarantor in respect of the Obligations and the obligations in respect of the Loan Documents with the consent of the Administrative Agent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed), whereupon such Subsidiary shall be obligated to comply with the other requirements of Section 5.10(d) as if it were newly acquired.

"Subsidiary Redesignation" shall have the meaning provided in the definition of "Unrestricted Subsidiary" contained in this Section 1.01.

"Successor Borrower" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.05(o).

"Swap Obligation" shall mean, with respect to any Guarantor, any obligation to pay or perform under any agreement, contract or transaction that constitutes a "swap" within the meaning of Section 1a(47) of the Commodity Exchange Act.

"Syndication Agents" shall mean Barclays Bank PLC, Goldman Sachs Bank USA, Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc. Citibank, N.A. and SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.

"<u>Tax Matters Agreement</u>" shall mean the Tax Matters Agreement, executed prior to the execution of this Agreement, by and between the Borrower and Nuance.

"<u>Taxes</u>" shall mean any and all present or future taxes, duties, levies, imposts, assessments, deductions, withholdings or other similar charges imposed by any Governmental Authority, whether computed on a separate, consolidated, unitary, combined or other basis and any interest, fines, penalties or additions to tax with respect to the foregoing.

"Term B Borrowing" shall mean any Borrowing comprised of Term B Loans.

"Term B Facility" shall mean the Term B Loan Commitments and the Term B Loans made hereunder.

"Term B Facility Maturity Date" shall mean October 1, 2024.

"Term B Loan Commitment" shall mean, with respect to each Lender, the commitment of such Lender to make Term B Loans hereunder. The amount of each Lender's Term B Loan Commitment as of the Closing Date is set forth on <u>Schedule 2.01</u>. The aggregate amount of the Term B Loan Commitments as of the Closing Date is \$270,000,000.

"Term B Loan Installment Date" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.10(a)(i).

"<u>Term B Loans</u>" shall mean (a) the term loans made by the Lenders to the Borrower pursuant to Section 2.01(a), and (b) any Incremental Term Loans in the form of Term B Loans made by the Incremental Term Lenders to the Borrower pursuant to Section 2.01(c).

"Term Borrowing" shall mean any Term B Borrowing or any Incremental Term Borrowing.

"Term Facility" shall mean the Term B Facility and/or any or all of the Incremental Term Facilities.

"Term Facility Commitment" shall mean the commitment of a Lender to make Term Loans, including Term B Loans, Incremental Term Loans and/or Other Term Loans.

"Term Facility Maturity Date" shall mean, as the context may require, (a) with respect to the Term B Facility in effect on the Closing Date, the Term B Facility Maturity Date and (b) with respect to any other Class of Term Loans, the maturity dates specified therefor in the applicable Incremental Assumption Agreement.

"Term Loan Installment Date" shall mean any Term B Loan Installment Date or any Incremental Term Loan Installment Date.

"Term Loans" shall mean the Term B Loans and/or the Incremental Term Loans.

"Term SOFR" shall mean the forward-looking term rate based on SOFR that has been selected or recommended by the Relevant Governmental Body.

"Term Yield Differential" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.21(b)(vii).

"Termination Date" shall mean the date on which (a) all Commitments shall have been terminated, (b) the principal of and interest on each Loan, all Fees and all other expenses or amounts payable under any Loan Document and all other Loan Obligations shall have been paid in full (other than in respect of contingent indemnification and expense reimbursement claims not then due) and (c) all Letters of Credit (other than those that have been Cash Collateralized) have been cancelled or have expired and all amounts drawn or paid thereunder have been reimbursed in full.

"Test Period" shall mean, on any date of determination, the period of four consecutive fiscal quarters of the Borrower then most recently ended (taken as one accounting period) for which financial statements have been (or were required to be) delivered pursuant to Section 5.04(a) or 5.04(b); provided that prior to the first date financial statements have been delivered pursuant to Section 5.04(a) or 5.04(b), the Test Period in effect shall be the four fiscal quarter period ended June 30, 2019.

"<u>Third Party Funds</u>" shall mean any segregated accounts or funds, or any portion thereof, received by Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries as agent on behalf of third parties in accordance with a written agreement that imposes a duty upon Borrower or one or more of its Subsidiaries to collect and remit those funds to such third parties.

"Trade Letters of Credit" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.05(a).

"<u>Transaction Documents</u>" shall mean the Loan Documents, the Separation and Distribution Agreement, the Tax Matters Agreement and the Transition Services Agreement.

"Transaction Expenses" shall mean any fees or expenses incurred or paid by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries or any of their Affiliates in connection with (i) the Transactions, this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents and (ii) the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby.

"<u>Transactions</u>" shall mean, collectively, the transactions to occur pursuant to the Transaction Documents, including (a) the consummation of the Reorganization Transactions; (b) the execution, delivery and performance of the Loan Documents, the creation of the Liens pursuant to the Security Documents, and the initial borrowings hereunder and the use of proceeds thereof; (c) the making of the Nuance Transfer; (d) the consummation of the Spin-Off; and (e) the payment of all fees and expenses to be paid and owing in connection with the foregoing.

"<u>Transition Services Agreement</u>" shall mean the Transition Services Agreement, executed prior to the execution of this Agreement, by and between Cerence Operating Company and Nuance.

"<u>Type</u>" shall mean, when used in respect of any Loan or Borrowing, the Rate by reference to which interest on such Loan or on the Loans comprising such Borrowing is determined. For purposes hereof, the term "<u>Rate</u>" shall include the Adjusted LIBO Rate and the ABR.

"Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement" shall mean the Benchmark Replacement excluding the Benchmark Replacement Adjustment.

"<u>Uniform Commercial Code</u>" shall mean the Uniform Commercial Code as the same may from time to time be in effect in the State of New York or the Uniform Commercial Code (or similar code or statute) of another jurisdiction, to the extent it may be required to apply to any item or items of Collateral.

"Unreimbursed Amount" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.05(e).

"<u>Unrestricted Cash</u>" shall mean cash or cash equivalents of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries that would not appear as "restricted" on a consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries.

"Unrestricted Subsidiary." shall mean (1) any Subsidiary of the Borrower identified on Schedule 1.01(D), (2) any other Subsidiary of the Borrower, whether now owned or acquired or created after the Closing Date, that is designated by the Borrower as an Unrestricted Subsidiary hereunder by written notice to the Administrative Agent; provided, that the Borrower shall only be permitted to so designate a new Unrestricted Subsidiary after the Closing Date so long as (a) no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would result therefrom, (b) such Unrestricted Subsidiary shall be capitalized (to the extent capitalized by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries) through Investments as permitted by, and in compliance with, Section 6.04, and any prior or concurrent Investments in such Subsidiary by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries shall be deemed to have been made under Section 6.04, and (c) without duplication of clause (b), any net assets owned by such Unrestricted Subsidiary at the time of the initial designation thereof shall be treated as Investments pursuant to Section 6.04; and (3) any subsidiary of an Unrestricted Subsidiary. The Borrower may designate any Unrestricted Subsidiary to be a Subsidiary for purposes of this Agreement (each, a "Subsidiary Redesignation"); provided, that (i) no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would result therefrom and (ii) the Borrower shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent an officer's certificate executed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower, certifying to the best of such officer's knowledge, compliance with the requirements of preceding clause (i).

"U.S. Bankruptcy Code" shall mean Title 11 of the United States Code, as amended.

"U.S. Lender" shall mean any Lender other than a Foreign Lender.

"U.S. Special Resolution Regimes" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.25.

"<u>USA PATRIOT Act</u>" shall mean the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (Title III of Pub. L. No. 107 56 (signed into law October 26, 2001)).

"USPAP" shall mean the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice, as amended.

"Voting Stock" shall mean, with respect to any person, such person's Equity Interests having the right to vote for the election of directors of such person under ordinary circumstances.

"Weighted Average Life to Maturity" shall mean, when applied to any Indebtedness at any date, the number of years obtained by <u>dividing</u>: (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; <u>by</u> (b) the then outstanding principal amount of such Indebtedness.

"Wholly Owned Domestic Subsidiary" shall mean a Wholly Owned Subsidiary that is also a Domestic Subsidiary.

"Wholly Owned Subsidiary" of any person shall mean a subsidiary of such person, all of the Equity Interests of which (other than directors' qualifying shares or nominee or other similar shares required pursuant to applicable law) are owned by such person or another Wholly Owned Subsidiary of such person. Unless the context otherwise requires, "Wholly Owned Subsidiary" shall mean a Subsidiary of the Borrower that is a Wholly Owned Subsidiary of the Borrower.

"<u>Withdrawal Liability</u>" shall mean liability to a Multiemployer Plan as a result of a complete or partial withdrawal from such Multiemployer Plan, as such terms are defined in Part I of Subtitle E of Title IV of ERISA.

"Working Capital" shall mean, with respect to the Borrower and the Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis at any date of determination, Current Assets at such date of determination minus Current Liabilities at such date of determination; provided, that, for purposes of calculating Excess Cash Flow, increases or decreases in Working Capital shall be calculated without regard to any changes in Current Assets or Current Liabilities as a result of (a) any reclassification in accordance with GAAP of assets or liabilities, as applicable, between current and noncurrent or (b) the effects of purchase accounting.

"Write-Down and Conversion Powers" shall mean, 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.

Section 1.02 <u>Terms Generally</u>. The definitions set forth or referred to in Section 1.01 shall apply equally to both 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."

All references herein to Articles, Sections, Exhibits and Schedules shall be deemed references to Articles and Sections of, and Exhibits and Schedules to, this Agreement unless the context shall otherwise require. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, any reference in this Agreement to any Loan Document shall mean such document as amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, all terms of an accounting or financial nature shall be construed in accordance with GAAP, as in effect from time to time; provided, that, if the Borrower notifies the Administrative Agent that the Borrower requests an amendment to any provision hereof to eliminate the effect of any change occurring after the Closing Date in GAAP or in the application thereof on the operation of such provision (or if the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower that the Required Lenders request an amendment to any provision hereof for such purpose), regardless of whether any such notice is given before or after such change in GAAP or in the application thereof, then such provision shall be interpreted on the basis of GAAP as in effect and applied immediately before such change shall have become effective until such notice shall have been withdrawn or such provision amended in accordance herewith.

Section 1.03 <u>Effectuation of Transactions</u>. Each of the representations and warranties of the Borrower contained in this Agreement (and all corresponding definitions) are made after giving effect to the Transactions as shall have taken place on or prior to the date of determination, unless the context otherwise requires.

Section 1.04 Exchange Rates; Currency Equivalents. (a) The Administrative Agent shall determine the Spot Rate as of each Revaluation Date to be used for calculating Dollar Equivalent amounts of Alternate Currency Letters of Credit and Alternate Currency Loans. Such Spot Rate shall become effective as of such Revaluation Date and shall be the Spot Rate employed in converting any amounts between the Dollars and each Alternate Currency until the next Revaluation Date to occur. Except for purposes of financial statements delivered by Loan Parties hereunder or calculating financial ratios hereunder or except as otherwise provided herein, the applicable amount of any currency (other than Dollars) for purposes of the Loan Documents shall be such Dollar Equivalent amount as determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with this Agreement. No Default or Event of Default shall arise as a result of any limitation or threshold set forth in Dollars in Article VI or clause (f) or (j) of Section 7.01 being exceeded solely as a result of changes in currency exchange rates from those rates applicable on the first day of the fiscal quarter in which such determination occurs or in respect of which such determination is being made.

(b) Wherever in this Agreement in connection with a Borrowing, conversion, continuation or prepayment of a Eurocurrency Loan or the issuance, amendment or extension of a Letter of Credit, an amount, such as a required minimum or multiple amount, is expressed in Dollars, but such Borrowing, Eurocurrency Loan or Letter of Credit is denominated in an Alternate Currency, such amount shall be the Alternate Currency Equivalent of such Dollar amount (rounded to the nearest unit of such Alternate Currency, with 0.5 of a unit being rounded upward), as determined by the Administrative Agent or the applicable Issuing Bank, as applicable.

#### Section 1.05 Additional Alternate Currencies for Loans.

(a) The Borrower may from time to time request that Eurocurrency Revolving Loans be made in a currency other than Dollars; <u>provided</u> that such requested currency is a lawful currency (other than Dollars) that is readily available and freely transferable and convertible into Dollars. Such request shall be subject to the approval of the Administrative Agent.

- (b) Any such request shall be made to the Administrative Agent not later than 11:00 a.m., 20 Business Days prior to the date of the desired Credit Event (or such other time or date as may be agreed by the Administrative Agent, in its sole discretion). The Administrative Agent shall promptly notify each Revolving Facility Lender thereof. Each Revolving Facility Lender shall notify the Administrative Agent, not later than 11:00 a.m., 10 Business Days after receipt of such request whether it consents, in its sole discretion, to the making of Eurocurrency Revolving Loans in such requested currency.
- (c) Any failure by a Revolving Facility Lender to respond to such request within the time period specified in the preceding sentence shall be deemed to be a refusal by such Revolving Facility Lender to permit Eurocurrency Revolving Loans to be made in such requested currency. If the Administrative Agent and all the Revolving Facility Lenders consent to making Eurocurrency Revolving Loans in such requested currency, the Administrative Agent shall so notify the Borrower and such currency shall thereupon be deemed for all purposes to be an Alternate Currency hereunder for purposes of any Borrowings of Eurocurrency Revolving Loans. If the Administrative Agent shall fail to obtain consent to any request for an additional currency under this Section 1.05, the Administrative Agent shall promptly so notify the Borrower.

### Section 1.06 Change of Currency.

- (a) Each obligation of the Borrower to make a payment denominated in the national currency unit of any member state of the European Union that adopts the Euro as its lawful currency after the date hereof shall be redenominated into Euro at the time of such adoption (in accordance with the EMU Legislation). If, in relation to the currency of any such member state, the basis of accrual of interest expressed in this Agreement in respect of that currency shall be inconsistent with any convention or practice in the London interbank market for the basis of accrual of interest in respect of the Euro, such expressed basis shall be replaced by such convention or practice with effect from the date on which such member state adopts the Euro as its lawful currency; provided that if any Borrowing in the currency of such member state is outstanding immediately prior to such date, such replacement shall take effect, with respect to such Borrowing, at the end of the then current Interest Period.
- (b) Each provision of this Agreement shall be subject to such reasonable changes of construction as the Administrative Agent may from time to time specify to be appropriate to reflect the adoption of the Euro by any member state of the European Union and any relevant market conventions or practices relating to the Euro.
- (c) Each provision of this Agreement also shall be subject to such reasonable changes of construction as the Administrative Agent may from time to time specify to be appropriate to reflect a change in currency of any other country and any relevant market conventions or practices relating to the change in currency.
- Section 1.07 <u>Timing of Payment or Performance</u>. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, when the payment of any obligation or the performance of any covenant, duty or obligation is stated to be due or performance required on a day which is not a Business Day, the date of such payment or performance shall extend to the immediately succeeding Business Day.
- Section 1.08 <u>Times of Day</u>. Unless otherwise specified herein, all references herein to times of day shall be references to New York City time (daylight or standard, as applicable).
- Section 1.09 <u>Limited Conditionality Transactions</u>. In connection with any action being taken in connection with a Limited Condition Transaction, for purposes of:
  - (i) determining compliance with any provision of this Agreement which requires the calculation of the Net Total Leverage Ratio, the Net Secured Leverage Ratio, the Net First Lien Leverage Ratio or the Interest Coverage Ratio;

- (ii) determining the accuracy of representations and warranties and/or whether a Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing; or
- (iii) testing availability under baskets set forth in this Agreement (including baskets measured as a multiple of Consolidated EBITDA);

in each case, the date of determination of whether any such action shall be permitted hereunder shall be, at the election of the Borrower (the Borrower's election in connection with any Limited Condition Transaction, an "LCT Election") either the date the definitive agreements for the relevant acquisition or Investment are entered into or the date of delivery of irrevocable (which may be conditional) notice with respect to the relevant debt prepayment (or, if so elected by the Borrower, the date of the consummation of the relevant acquisition or Investment or the date of the making of the relevant debt prepayment) (either, as applicable, the "LCT Test Date") and if, after giving effect on a Pro Forma Basis to the Limited Condition Transaction and the other transactions to be entered into in connection therewith (including any incurrence of Indebtedness and the use of proceeds thereof) as if they had occurred at the beginning of the most recent Test Period ending prior to the LCT Test Date, the Borrower could have taken such action on the relevant LCT Test Date in compliance with such ratio or basket, such ratio or basket shall be deemed to have been complied with.

For the avoidance of doubt, if the Borrower has made an LCT Election and any of the ratios or baskets for which compliance was determined or tested as of the LCT Test Date are exceeded as a result of fluctuations in any such ratio or basket, including due to fluctuations in Consolidated EBITDA of the Borrower or the person subject to such Limited Condition Transaction, at or prior to the consummation of the relevant transaction or action, such baskets or ratios will not be deemed to have been exceeded as a result of such fluctuations. If the Borrower has made an LCT Election for any Limited Condition Transaction, then in connection with any subsequent calculation of any ratio or basket availability on or following the relevant LCT Test Date and prior to the earlier of (i) the date on which such Limited Condition Transaction is consummated or (ii) the date that the definitive agreement for such Limited Condition Transaction is terminated or expires or such irrevocable notice is rescinded (or the conditions with respect thereto are not satisfied), as applicable, without consummation of such Limited Condition Transaction, any such ratio or basket shall be calculated on a Pro Forma Basis assuming such Limited Condition Transaction and other transactions in connection therewith (including any incurrence of Indebtedness and the use of proceeds thereof) have been consummated.

Section 1.10 <u>Divisions</u>. For all purposes under the Loan Documents, in connection with any division or plan of division under Delaware law (or any comparable event under a different jurisdiction's laws): (a) if any asset, right, obligation or liability of any person becomes the asset, right, obligation or liability of a different person, then it shall be deemed to have been transferred from the original person to the subsequent person and (b) if any new person comes into existence, such new person shall be deemed to have been organized on the first date of its existence by the holders of its Equity Interests at such time.

#### ARTICLE II

#### The Credits

Section 2.01 Commitments. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein:

(a) each Lender agrees to make Term B Loans in Dollars to the Borrower on the Closing Date in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed its Term B Loan Commitment,

- (b) each Lender agrees to make Revolving Facility Loans of a Class in Dollars to the Borrower from time to time during the Availability Period in an aggregate principal amount that will not result in (i) such Lender's Revolving Facility Credit Exposure of such Class exceeding such Lender's Revolving Facility Commitment of such Class or (ii) the Revolving Facility Credit Exposure of such Class exceeding the total Revolving Facility Commitments of such Class. Within the foregoing limits and subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Borrower may borrow, prepay and reborrow Revolving Facility Loans,
- (c) each Lender having an Incremental Term Loan Commitment agrees, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the applicable Incremental Assumption Agreement, to make Incremental Term Loans to the Borrower, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed its Incremental Term Loan Commitment, and
  - (d) amounts of Term B Loans borrowed under Section 2.01(a) or Section 2.01(c) that are repaid or prepaid may not be reborrowed.
- Section 2.02 <u>Loans and Borrowings</u>. (a) Each Loan shall be made as part of a Borrowing consisting of Loans under the same Facility and of the same Type made by the Lenders ratably in accordance with their respective Commitments under the applicable Facility; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that Revolving Facility Loans of any Class shall be made by the Revolving Facility Lenders of such Class ratably in accordance with their respective Revolving Facility Percentages on the date such Loans are made hereunder. The failure of any Lender to make any Loan required to be made by it shall not relieve any other Lender of its obligations hereunder; <u>provided</u>, that the Commitments of the Lenders are several and no Lender shall be responsible for any other Lender's failure to make Loans as required.
- (b) Subject to Section 2.14, each Borrowing shall be comprised entirely of ABR Loans or Eurocurrency Loans as the Borrower may request in accordance herewith. ABR Loans shall be denominated in Dollars. Each Lender at its option may make any ABR Loan or Eurocurrency Loan by causing any domestic or foreign branch or Affiliate of such Lender to make such Loan; <u>provided</u>, that any exercise of such option shall not affect the obligation of the Borrower to repay such Loan in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and such Lender shall not be entitled to any amounts payable under Section 2.15 or 2.17 solely in respect of increased costs resulting from such exercise and existing at the time of such exercise.
- (c) At the commencement of each Interest Period for any Eurocurrency Revolving Facility Borrowing, such Borrowing shall be in an aggregate amount that is an integral multiple of the Borrowing Multiple and not less than the Borrowing Minimum. At the time that each ABR Revolving Facility Borrowing is made, such Borrowing shall be in an aggregate amount that is an integral multiple of the Borrowing Multiple and not less than the Borrowing Minimum; provided, that an ABR Revolving Facility Borrowing may be in an aggregate amount that is equal to the entire unused available balance of the Revolving Facility Commitments or that is required to finance the reimbursement of an L/C Disbursement as contemplated by Section 2.05(e). Borrowings of more than one Type may be outstanding at the same time; provided, however, that the Borrower shall not be entitled to request any Borrowing that, if made, would result in more than (i) six (6) Eurocurrency Borrowings outstanding under all Term Facilities at any time and (ii) 10 Eurocurrency Borrowings outstanding under all Revolving Facilities at any time. Borrowings having different Interest Periods, regardless of whether they commence on the same date, shall be considered separate Borrowings.
- (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Borrower shall not be entitled to request, or to elect to convert or continue, any Borrowing of any Class if the Interest Period requested with respect thereto would end after the Revolving Facility Maturity Date or the Term Facility Maturity Date for such Class, as applicable.

Section 2.03 <u>Requests for Borrowings</u>. To request a Revolving Facility Borrowing and/or a Term Borrowing, the Borrower shall notify the Administrative Agent in writing of such request (a) in the case of a Eurocurrency Borrowing, not later than 11:00 a.m., Local Time, three Business Days before the date of the proposed Borrowing or (b) in the case of an ABR Borrowing, not later than 11:00 a.m., Local Time, on the Business Day of the proposed Borrowing (or, in each case, such shorter period as the Administrative Agent may agree); <u>provided</u>, that, (i) to request a Eurocurrency Borrowing or ABR Borrowing on the Closing Date, the Borrower shall notify the Administrative Agent of such request not later than 5:00 p.m., Local Time, one Business Day prior to the Closing Date (or such later time as the Administrative Agent may agree), (ii) any such notice of an ABR Revolving Facility Borrowing to finance the reimbursement of an L/C Disbursement as contemplated by Section 2.05(e) may be given not later than 11:00 a.m., Local Time, on the date of the proposed Borrowing and (iii) any such notice of an Incremental Revolving Borrowing or Incremental Term Borrowing may be given at such time as provided in the applicable Incremental Assumption Agreement. Each such written Borrowing Request shall be irrevocable (other than in the case of any notice given in respect of Incremental Commitments, which may be conditioned as provided in the applicable Incremental Assumption Agreement). Each such written Borrowing Request shall specify the following information in compliance with Section 2.02:

- (i) whether such Borrowing is to be a Borrowing of Term B Loans, Revolving Facility Loans, Refinancing Term Loans, Other Term Loans, Other Revolving Loans or Replacement Revolving Loans as applicable;
  - (ii) the aggregate amount of the requested Borrowing;
  - (iii) the date of such Borrowing, which shall be a Business Day;
  - (iv) whether such Borrowing is to be an ABR Borrowing or a Eurocurrency Borrowing;
- (v) in the case of a Eurocurrency Borrowing, the initial Interest Period to be applicable thereto, which shall be a period contemplated by the definition of the term "Interest Period";
- (vi) in the case of a Eurocurrency Revolving Facility Borrowing, the currency in which such Borrowing is to be denominated (which shall be Dollars or an Alternate Currency); and
  - (vii) the location and number of the Borrower's account to which funds are to be disbursed.

If no election as to the currency of any Revolving Facility Borrowing is made, then the requested Borrowing shall be made in Dollars. If no election as to the Type of Borrowing is specified, then the requested Borrowing shall be an ABR Borrowing. If no Interest Period is specified with respect to any requested Eurocurrency Borrowing, then the Borrower shall be deemed to have selected an Interest Period of one month's duration. Promptly following receipt of a Borrowing Request in accordance with this Section 2.03, the Administrative Agent shall advise each Lender of the details thereof and of the amount of such Lender's Loan to be made as part of the requested Borrowing.

Section 2.04 [Reserved].

Section 2.05 <u>Letters of Credit</u>. (a) <u>General</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Borrower may request the issuance of one or more letters of credit or bank guarantees in Dollars or any Alternate Currency in the form of (x) trade letters of credit or bank guarantees in support of trade obligations of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries incurred in the ordinary course of business (such letters of credit or bank guarantees issued for such purposes, "<u>Trade Letters of Credit</u>") and (y) standby letters of credit issued for any other lawful purposes of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries (such letters of credit issued for such purposes, "<u>Standby Letters of Credit</u>"; each such letter of credit or bank guarantee, issued hereunder, a "<u>Letter of Credit</u>" and collectively, the "<u>Letters of Credit</u>") for its own account or for the account of any Subsidiary in a form reasonably acceptable to the applicable Issuing Bank, at any time and from time to time during the applicable Availability Period and prior to the date that is five Business Days prior to the applicable Revolving Facility Maturity Date; <u>provided</u>, that (x) no Issuing Bank shall be required to issue Trade Letters of Credit unless it agrees in writing to do so in its sole discretion, (y) the Borrower shall remain primarily liable in the case of a Letter of Credit issued for the account of a Subsidiary and (z) the applicable Issuing Bank shall not be obligated to issue Letters of Credit if any order, judgment or decree of any Governmental Authority or arbitrator shall by its terms purport to enjoin or restrain such Issuing Bank from issuing such Letter of Credit, the issuance of such Letter of Credit would violate any Requirements of Law binding upon such Issuing Bank or the issuance of the Letter of Credit would violate one or more policies of such Issuing Bank applicable to letters of credit generally. In the event of any inconsistency between the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the terms and conditions of any Letter of Credit

(b) Notice of Issuance, Amendment, Renewal, Extension: Certain Conditions. To request the issuance of a Letter of Credit (or the amendment, renewal (other than an automatic extension in accordance with paragraph (c) of this Section 2.05) or extension of an outstanding Letter of Credit), the Borrower shall hand deliver or transmit by electronic communication, if arrangements for doing so have been approved by the applicable Issuing Bank, to the applicable Issuing Bank and the Administrative Agent (at least three Business Days (or, in the case of an Alternate Currency Letter of Credit where the Issuing Bank is Barclays Bank PLC, at least five Business Days) in advance of the requested date of issuance, amendment or extension or such shorter period as the Administrative Agent and the applicable Issuing Bank in their sole discretion may agree) 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 2.05), the amount and currency (which may be Dollars or any Alternate Currency) of such Letter of Credit, the name and address of the beneficiary thereof, whether such Letter of Credit constitutes a Standby Letter of Credit or a Trade Letter of Credit and such other information as shall be necessary to issue, amend or extend such Letter of Credit. If requested by the applicable Issuing Bank, the Borrower also shall submit a letter of credit application on such Issuing Bank's standard form in connection with any request for a Letter of Credit. 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 Revolving Facility Credit Exposure shall not exceed the applicable Revolving Facility Commitments, (ii) the Revolving L/C Exposure shall not exceed the Letter of Credit Sublimit and (iii) with respect to the applicable Issuing Bank, the stated amount of all outstanding Letters of Credit issued by such Issuing Bank shall not exceed the applicable Specified L/C Sublimit of such Issuing Bank then in effect. For the avoidance of doubt, no Issuing Bank shall be obligated to issue an Alternate Currency Letter of Credit if such Issuing Bank does not otherwise issue letters of credit in such Alternate Currency.

(c) <u>Expiration Date</u>. Each Letter of Credit shall expire at or prior to the close of business on the earlier of (i) the date one year (unless otherwise agreed upon by the Borrower and the applicable Issuing Bank in their sole discretion) after the date of the issuance of such Letter of Credit (or, in the case of any extension thereof, one year (unless otherwise agreed upon by the Borrower and

the applicable Issuing Bank in their sole discretion) after such renewal or extension) and (ii) the date that is five Business Days prior to the applicable Revolving Facility Maturity Date; provided, that any Letter of Credit with a one year tenor may provide for automatic renewal or extension thereof for additional one year periods (which, in no event, shall extend beyond the date referred to in clause (ii) of this paragraph (c)) so long as such Letter of Credit permits the applicable Issuing Bank to prevent any such extension at least once in each twelve-month period (commencing with the date of issuance of such Letter of Credit) by giving prior notice to the beneficiary thereof within a time period during such twelve-month period to be agreed upon at the time such Letter of Credit is issued; provided, further, that if such Issuing Bank consents in its sole discretion, the expiration date on any Letter of Credit may extend beyond the date referred to in clause (ii) above, provided, that if any such Letter of Credit is outstanding or is issued under the Revolving Facility Commitments of any Class after the date that is five Business Days prior to the Revolving Facility Maturity Date for such Class the Borrower shall provide Cash Collateral pursuant to documentation reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the relevant Issuing Bank in an amount equal to the face amount of each such Letter of Credit on or prior to the date that is five Business Days prior to such Revolving Facility Maturity Date or, if later, such date of issuance.

- (d) Participations. By the issuance of a Letter of Credit (or an amendment to a Letter of Credit increasing the amount thereof) under the Revolving Facility Commitments of any Class and without any further action on the part of the applicable Issuing Bank or the Revolving Facility Lenders, such Issuing Bank hereby grants to each Revolving Facility Lender under such Class, and each such Revolving Facility Lender hereby acquires from such Issuing Bank, a participation in such Letter of Credit equal to such Revolving Facility Lender's applicable Revolving Facility Percentage of the aggregate amount available to be drawn under such Letter of Credit (calculated, in the case of Alternate Currency Letters of Credit, based on the Dollar Equivalent thereof). In consideration and in furtherance of the foregoing, each Revolving Facility Lender hereby absolutely and unconditionally agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent, for the account of the applicable Issuing Bank, in Dollars, such Revolving Facility Lender's applicable Revolving Facility Percentage of each L/C Disbursement made by such Issuing Bank and not reimbursed by the Borrower on the date due as provided in paragraph (e) of this Section 2.05, or of any reimbursement payment required to be refunded to the Borrower for any reason (calculated, in the case of any Alternate Currency Letter of Credit, based on the Dollar Equivalent thereof). Each Revolving Facility 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, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit or the occurrence and continuance of a Default or Event of Default or reduction or termination of the Commitments or the fact that, as a result of changes in currency exchange rates, such Revolving Facility Lender's Revolving Facility Credit Exposure at any time might exceed its Revolving Facility Commitment at such
- (e) Reimbursement. If the applicable Issuing Bank 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 in Dollars equal to such L/C Disbursement (or, in the case of an Alternate Currency Letter of Credit, the Dollar Equivalent thereof) not later than 2:00 p.m., Local Time, on the first Business Day after the Borrower receives notice under paragraph (g) of this Section 2.05 of such L/C Disbursement (or the second Business Day, if such notice is received after 12:00 noon, Local Time), together with accrued interest thereon from the date of such L/C Disbursement at the rate applicable to ABR Revolving Facility Loans of the applicable Class; provided, that the Borrower may, subject to the conditions to borrowing set forth herein, request in accordance with Section 2.03 or 2.04 that such payment be financed with an ABR Revolving Facility Borrowing of the applicable Class, 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 ABR Revolving Facility Borrowing. If the Borrower fails to reimburse any L/C Disbursement when due, then the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify the applicable Issuing Bank and each other applicable Revolving Facility Lender of the applicable L/C Disbursement, the payment then due from the Borrower in respect thereof (the "Unreimbursed Amount") and, in the case of a Revolving Facility Lender, such Lender's Revolving Facility Percentage thereof. Promptly following receipt of such notice, each Revolving Facility Lender with a Revolving Facility Commitment of the applicable Class shall pay to the Administrative Agent in Dollars its Revolving Facility Percentage of the Unreimbursed Amount in the same manner as provided in Section 2.06 with respect to Loans made by such Lender (and Section 2.06 shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to the payment obligations of the Revolving Facility Lenders), and the Administrative Agent shall promptly pay to the applicable Issuing Bank the amounts so received by it from the Revolving Facility 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 applicable Issuing Bank or, to the extent that Revolving Facility Lenders have made payments pursuant to this paragraph to reimburse such Issuing Bank, then to such Lenders and such Issuing Bank as their interests may appear. Any payment made by a Revolving Facility Lender pursuant to this paragraph to reimburse an Issuing Bank for any L/C Disbursement (other than the funding of an ABR Revolving Loan 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 obligation of the Borrower 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 or this Agreement, or any term or provision therein, (ii) any draft or other document presented under a Letter of Credit proving to be forged, fraudulent or invalid in any respect or any statement therein being untrue or inaccurate in any respect, (iii) payment by the applicable Issuing Bank 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 any Issuing Bank, nor any of their 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 or any consequence arising from causes beyond the control of such Issuing Bank, or any of the circumstances referred to in clauses (i), (ii) or (iii) of the first sentence; provided, that the foregoing shall not be construed to excuse the applicable Issuing Bank from liability to the Borrower to the extent of any direct damages (as opposed to consequential 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 determined by final and binding decision of a court of competent jurisdiction to have been caused by such Issuing Bank'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 applicable Issuing Bank, such Issuing Bank 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 that appear on their face to be in substantial compliance with the terms of a Letter of Credit, the applicable Issuing Bank 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) <u>Disbursement Procedures</u>. The applicable Issuing Bank shall, promptly following its receipt thereof, examine all documents purporting to represent a demand for payment under a Letter of Credit. Such Issuing Bank shall promptly notify the Administrative Agent and the Borrower by telephone (confirmed by electronic means) of any such demand for payment under a Letter of Credit and whether such Issuing Bank has made or will make an L/C Disbursement thereunder; <u>provided</u>, that any failure to give or delay in giving such notice shall not relieve the Borrower of its obligation to reimburse such Issuing Bank and the Revolving Facility Lenders with respect to any such L/C Disbursement.
- (h) Interim Interest. If an Issuing Bank 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 Borrower reimburses such L/C Disbursement, at the rate per annum then applicable to ABR Revolving Loans of the applicable Class; provided, that, if such L/C Disbursement is not reimbursed by the Borrower when due pursuant to paragraph (e) of this Section, then Section 2.13(c) shall apply. Interest accrued pursuant to this paragraph shall be for the account of the applicable Issuing Bank, except that interest accrued on and after the date of payment by any Revolving Facility Lender pursuant to paragraph (e) of this Section 2.05 to reimburse such Issuing Bank shall be for the account of such Revolving Facility Lender to the extent of such payment.
- (i) Replacement of an Issuing Bank. An Issuing Bank may be replaced at any time by written agreement among the Borrower, the Administrative Agent, the replaced Issuing Bank and the successor Issuing Bank. The Administrative Agent shall notify the Lenders of any such replacement of an Issuing Bank. At the time any such replacement shall become effective, the Borrower shall pay all unpaid fees accrued for the account of the replaced Issuing Bank pursuant to Section 2.12. From and after the effective date of any such replacement, (i) the successor Issuing Bank shall have all the rights and obligations of the replaced Issuing Bank under this Agreement with respect to Letters of Credit to be issued thereafter and (ii) references herein to the term "Issuing Bank" shall be deemed to refer to such successor or to any previous Issuing Bank, or to such successor and all previous Issuing Banks, as the context shall require. After the replacement of an Issuing Bank hereunder, the replaced Issuing Bank shall remain a party hereto and shall continue to have all the rights and obligations of such Issuing Bank 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.
- (j) <u>Cash Collateralization Following Certain Events</u>. If and when the Borrower is required to Cash Collateralize any Revolving L/C Exposure relating to any outstanding Letters of Credit pursuant to any of Section 2.05(c), 2.11(e), 2.11(f), 2.11(g), 2.22(a)(v) or 7.01, the Borrower shall deposit in an account with or at the direction of the Collateral Agent, in the name of the Collateral Agent and for the benefit of the Revolving Facility Lenders, an amount in cash in Dollars equal to the Revolving L/C Exposure as of such date (or, in the case of Sections 2.05(c), 2.11(e), 2.11(f), 2.11(g) and 2.22(a)(v), the portion thereof required by such sections). Each deposit of Cash Collateral (x) made pursuant to this paragraph or (y) made by the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 2.22(a)(ii), in each case, shall be held by the Collateral Agent as collateral for the payment and performance of the obligations of the Borrower under this Agreement. The Collateral 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 (i) for so long as an Event of Default shall be continuing, the Collateral Agent and (ii) at

any other time, the Borrower, in each case, in Permitted Investments and at the risk and expense of the Borrower, 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 Collateral Agent to reimburse each Issuing Bank for L/C Disbursements for which such Issuing Bank has not been reimbursed and, to the extent not so applied, shall be held for the satisfaction of the reimbursement obligations of the Borrower for the Revolving L/C Exposure at such time or, if the maturity of the Loans has been accelerated (but subject to the consent of Lenders with Revolving L/C Exposure representing greater than 50% of the total Revolving L/C Exposure), be applied to satisfy other obligations of the Borrower under this Agreement. If the Borrower is required to provide an amount of Cash Collateral hereunder as a result of the occurrence of an Event of Default or the existence of a Defaulting Lender or the occurrence of a limit under Section 2.11(e), (f) or (g) being exceeded, such amount (to the extent not applied as aforesaid) shall be returned to the Borrower within three Business Days after all Events of Default have been cured or waived or the termination of the Defaulting Lender status or the limits under Sections 2.11(e), (f) and (g) no longer being exceeded, as applicable.

- (k) <u>Cash Collateralization Following Termination of the Revolving Facility</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in the event of the prepayment in full of all outstanding Revolving Facility Loans and the termination of all Revolving Facility Commitments (a "<u>Revolving Facility Termination Event</u>") in connection with which the Borrower notifies any one or more Issuing Banks that it intends to maintain one or more Letters of Credit initially issued under this Agreement in effect after the date of such Revolving Facility Termination Event (each, a "<u>Continuing Letter of Credit</u>"), then the security interest of the Collateral Agent in the Collateral under the Security Documents may be terminated in accordance with Section 9.18 if each such Continuing Letter of Credit is Cash Collateralized in an amount equal to the Minimum L/C Collateral Amount, which shall be deposited with or at the direction of each such Issuing Bank.
- (l) <u>Additional Issuing Banks</u>. From time to time, the Borrower may by notice to the Administrative Agent designate any Lender (in addition to the initial Issuing Banks) each of which agrees (in its sole discretion) to act in such capacity and is reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent as an Issuing Bank. Each such additional Issuing Bank shall execute a counterpart of this Agreement upon the approval of the Administrative Agent (which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld) and shall thereafter be an Issuing Bank hereunder for all purposes.
- (m) Reporting. Unless otherwise requested by the Administrative Agent, each Issuing Bank shall (i) provide to the Administrative Agent copies of any notice received from the Borrower pursuant to Section 2.05(b) no later than the next Business Day after receipt thereof and (ii) report in writing to the Administrative Agent (A) on or prior to each Business Day on which such Issuing Bank expects to issue, amend or extend any Letter of Credit, the date of such issuance, amendment or extension, and the aggregate face amount of the Letters of Credit to be issued, amended or extended by it and outstanding after giving effect to such issuance, amendment or extension occurred (and whether the amount thereof changed), and such Issuing Bank shall be permitted to issue, amend or extend such Letter of Credit if the Administrative Agent shall not have advised such Issuing Bank that such issuance, amendment or extension would not be in conformity with the requirements of this Agreement, (B) on each Business Day on which such Issuing Bank makes any L/C Disbursement, the date of such L/C Disbursement and the amount of such L/C Disbursement and (C) on any other Business Day, such other information with respect to the outstanding Letters of Credit issued by such Issuing Bank as the Administrative Agent shall reasonably request.

Section 2.06 <u>Funding of Borrowings</u>. (a) Each Lender shall make each Loan to be made by it hereunder on the proposed date thereof by wire transfer of immediately available funds by 1:00 p.m., Local Time, to the account of the Administrative Agent most recently designated by it for such purpose by notice to the Lenders. The Administrative Agent will make such Loans available to the Borrower by promptly crediting the amounts so received, in like funds, to an account or accounts designated by the Borrower as specified in the applicable Borrowing Request; <u>provided</u>, that ABR Revolving Loans made to finance the reimbursement of a L/C Disbursement and reimbursements as provided in Section 2.05(e) shall be remitted by the Administrative Agent to the applicable Issuing Bank.

- (b) Unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from a Lender prior to the proposed date of any Borrowing that such Lender will not make available to the Administrative Agent such Lender's share of such Borrowing, the Administrative Agent may assume that such Lender has made such share available on such date in accordance with clause (a) of this Section 2.06 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 Borrowing available to the Administrative Agent, then the applicable Lender and the Borrower severally agree to pay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand (without duplication) such corresponding amount with interest thereon, for each day from and including the date such amount is made available to the Borrower to but excluding the date of payment to the Administrative Agent, at (i) in the case of a payment to be made by such Lender, the greater of (A) the Federal Funds Effective Rate and (B) a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation or (ii) in the case of a payment to be made by the Borrower, the interest rate applicable to ABR Loans at such time. 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 such amount to the Administrative Agent, then such amount 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.
- (c) The foregoing notwithstanding, the Administrative Agent, in its sole discretion, may from its own funds make a Revolving Facility Loan on behalf of the Lenders. In such event, the applicable Lenders on behalf of whom the Administrative Agent made the Revolving Facility Loan shall reimburse the Administrative Agent for all or any portion of such Revolving Facility Loan made on its behalf upon written notice given to each applicable Lender not later than 2:00 p.m., Local Time, on the Business Day such reimbursement is requested. The entire amount of interest attributable to such Revolving Facility Loan for the period from and including the date on which such Revolving Facility Loan was made on such Lender's behalf to but excluding the date the Administrative Agent is reimbursed in respect of such Revolving Facility Loan by such Lender shall be paid to the Administrative Agent for its own account.

Section 2.07 <u>Interest Elections</u>. (a) Each Borrowing initially shall be of the Type specified in the applicable Borrowing Request and, in the case of a Eurocurrency Borrowing, shall have an initial Interest Period as specified in such Borrowing Request. Thereafter, the Borrower may elect to convert such Borrowing to a different Type or to continue such Borrowing and, in the case of a Eurocurrency Borrowing, may elect Interest Periods therefor, all as provided in this Section. The Borrower may elect different options with respect to different portions of the affected Borrowing, in which case each such portion shall be allocated ratably among the Lenders holding the Loans comprising such Borrowing, and the Loans comprising each such portion shall be considered a separate Borrowing.

(b) To make an election pursuant to this Section, the Borrower shall notify the Administrative Agent in writing of such election by the time that a Borrowing Request would be required under Section 2.03 if the Borrower were requesting a Borrowing of the Type resulting from such election to be made on the effective date of such election. Each such Interest Election Request shall be irrevocable and shall be confirmed promptly by hand delivery or electronic means to the Administrative Agent of a written Interest Election Request signed by the Borrower.

- (c) Each written Interest Election Request shall specify the following information in compliance with Section 2.02:
- (i) the Borrowing to which such Interest Election Request applies and, if different options are being elected with respect to different portions thereof, the portions thereof to be allocated to each resulting Borrowing (in which case the information to be specified pursuant to clauses (iii) and (iv) below shall be specified for each resulting Borrowing);
  - (ii) the effective date of the election made pursuant to such Interest Election Request, which shall be a Business Day;
  - (iii) whether the resulting Borrowing is to be an ABR Borrowing or a Eurocurrency Borrowing; and
- (iv) if the resulting Borrowing is a Eurocurrency Borrowing, the Interest Period to be applicable thereto after giving effect to such election, which shall be a period contemplated by the definition of the term "Interest Period."

If any such Interest Election Request requests a Eurocurrency Borrowing but does not specify an Interest Period, then the Borrower shall be deemed to have selected an Interest Period of one month's duration. If less than all the outstanding principal amount of any Borrowing shall be converted or continued, then each resulting Borrowing shall be in an integral multiple of the Borrowing Multiple and not less than the Borrowing Minimum and satisfy the limitations specified in Sections 2.02(c) regarding the maximum number of Borrowings of the relevant Type.

- (d) Promptly following receipt of an Interest Election Request, the Administrative Agent shall advise each Lender to which such Interest Election Request relates of the details thereof and of such Lender's portion of each resulting Borrowing.
- (e) If the Borrower fails to deliver a timely Interest Election Request with respect to a Eurocurrency Borrowing prior to the end of the Interest Period applicable thereto, then, unless such Borrowing is repaid as provided herein, at the end of such Interest Period such Borrowing shall be converted to an ABR Borrowing. Notwithstanding any contrary provision hereof, if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and the Administrative Agent, at the written request (including a request through electronic means) of the Required Lenders, so notifies the Borrower, then, so long as an Event of Default is continuing, (i) no outstanding Borrowing may be converted to or continued as a Eurocurrency Borrowing and (ii) unless repaid, each Eurocurrency Borrowing shall be converted to an ABR Borrowing at the end of the Interest Period applicable thereto.

Section 2.08 <u>Termination and Reduction of Commitments</u>(a). (a) Unless previously terminated, the Revolving Facility Commitments of each Class shall terminate on the applicable Revolving Facility Maturity Date for such Class. On the Closing Date (after giving effect to the funding of the Term B Loans to be made on such date), the Term B Loan Commitments of each Lender as of the Closing Date will terminate.

(b) The Borrower may at any time terminate, or from time to time reduce, the Revolving Facility Commitments of any Class; provided, that (i) each reduction of the Revolving Facility Commitments of any Class shall be in an amount that is an integral multiple of \$250,000 and not less than \$1,000,000 (or, if less, the remaining amount of the Revolving Facility Commitments of

such Class) and (ii) the Borrower shall not terminate or reduce the Revolving Facility Commitments of any Class if, after giving effect to any concurrent prepayment of the Revolving Facility Loans in accordance with Section 2.11 and any Cash Collateralization of Letters of Credit in accordance with Section 2.05(j) or (k), the Revolving Facility Credit Exposure of such Class (excluding any Cash Collateralized Letter of Credit) would exceed the total Revolving Facility Commitments of such Class.

(c) The Borrower shall notify the Administrative Agent of any election to terminate or reduce the Revolving Facility Commitments of any Class under paragraph (b) of this Section 2.08 at least three Business Days prior to the effective date of such termination or reduction (or such shorter period acceptable to the Administrative Agent), specifying such election and the effective date thereof. Promptly following receipt of any notice, the Administrative Agent shall advise the applicable Lenders of the contents thereof. Each notice delivered by the Borrower pursuant to this Section 2.08 shall be irrevocable; provided, that a notice of termination or reduction of the Revolving Facility Commitments of any Class delivered by the Borrower may state that such notice is conditioned upon the effectiveness of other credit facilities, indentures or similar agreements or other transactions, in which case such notice may be revoked by the Borrower (by notice to the Administrative Agent on or prior to the specified effective date) if such condition is not satisfied (or waived by the Borrower in its sole discretion) and/or rescinded at any time by the Borrower if the Borrower determines in its sole discretion that any or all of such conditions will not be satisfied (or waived). Any termination or reduction of the Commitments shall be permanent. Each reduction of the Commitments of any Class shall be made ratably among the Lenders in accordance with their respective Commitments of such Class.

Section 2.09 <u>Repayment of Loans</u>; <u>Evidence of Debt</u>. (a) The Borrower hereby unconditionally promises to pay (i) to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Revolving Facility Lender the then unpaid principal amount of each Revolving Facility Loan to the Borrower on the Revolving Facility Maturity Date applicable to such Revolving Facility Loans and (ii) to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Lender the then unpaid principal amount of each Term Loan of such Lender as provided in Section 2.10.

- (b) Each Lender shall maintain in accordance with its usual practice an account or accounts evidencing the indebtedness of the Borrower to such Lender resulting from each Loan made by such Lender, including the amounts of principal and interest payable and paid to such Lender from time to time hereunder.
- (c) The Administrative Agent shall maintain accounts in which it shall record (i) the amount of each Loan made hereunder, the Facility and Type thereof and the Interest Period (if any) applicable thereto, (ii) the amount of any principal or interest due and payable or to become due and payable from the Borrower to each Lender hereunder and (iii) any amount received by the Administrative Agent hereunder for the account of the Lenders and each Lender's share thereof.
- (d) The entries made in the accounts maintained pursuant to clause (b) or (c) of this Section 2.09 shall be prima facie evidence of the existence and amounts of the obligations recorded therein; <u>provided</u>, that the failure of any Lender or the Administrative Agent to maintain such accounts or any error therein shall not in any manner affect the obligation of the Borrower to repay the Loans in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- (e) Any Lender may request that Loans made by it be evidenced by a promissory note (a "Note"). In such event, the Borrower shall prepare, execute and deliver to such Lender a promissory note payable to such Lender (or, if requested by such Lender, to such Lender and its registered assigns) and in a form approved by the Administrative Agent and reasonably acceptable to the Borrower. Thereafter, unless otherwise agreed to by the applicable Lender, the Loans evidenced by such promissory note and interest thereon shall at all times (including after assignment pursuant to Section 9.04) be represented by one or more promissory notes in such form payable to the payee named therein (or, if requested by such payee, to such payee and its registered assigns).

Section 2.10 <u>Repayment of Term Loans and Revolving Facility Loans</u>. (a) Subject to the other clauses of this Section 2.10 and to Section 9.08(e),

(i) the Borrower shall repay Term B Loans incurred on the Closing Date on the last day of each March, June, September and December of each year (commencing on the last day of the first full fiscal quarter of the Borrower after the Closing Date) and on the applicable Term Facility Maturity Date or, if any such date is not a Business Day, on the next preceding Business Day (each such date being referred to as a "Term B Loan Installment Date"), in an aggregate principal amount of such Term B Loans equal to (A) in the case of quarterly payments due prior to the applicable Term Facility Maturity Date for each month set forth below, an amount equal to the percentage of the aggregate principal amount of such Term B Loans outstanding immediately after the Closing Date set forth opposite such month and (B) in the case of such payment due on the applicable Term Facility Maturity Date, an amount equal to the then unpaid principal amount of such Term B Loans outstanding;

<u>Month</u>	Percentage
March 2020	0.875%
June 2020	0.875%
September 2020	0.875%
December 2020	0.875%
March 2021	0.875%
June 2021	0.875%
September 2021	0.875%
December 2021	2.500%
March 2022	2.500%
June 2022	2.500%
September 2022	2.500%
December 2022	2.500%
March 2023	2.500%
June 2023	2.500%
September 2023	2.500%
December 2023	2.500%
March 2024	2.500%
June 2024	2.500%
September 2024	2.500%

- (ii) in the event that any Incremental Term Loans are made, the Borrower shall repay such Incremental Term Loans on the dates and in the amounts set forth in the related Incremental Assumption Agreement (each such date being referred to as an "Incremental Term Loan Installment Date"); and
- (iii) to the extent not previously paid, outstanding Term Loans shall be due and payable on the applicable Term Facility Maturity Date.
- (b) To the extent not previously paid, outstanding Revolving Facility Loans shall be due and payable on the applicable Revolving Facility Maturity Date.
  - (c) Prepayment of the Loans from:
  - (i) all Net Proceeds pursuant to Section 2.11(b) and Excess Cash Flow pursuant to Section 2.11(c) shall be allocated to the Class or Classes of Term Loans determined pursuant to Section 2.10(d), with the application thereof to reduce in direct order amounts due on the succeeding Term Loan Installment Dates under such Classes as provided in the remaining scheduled amortization payments under such Classes; provided that, any Lender, at its option, may elect to decline the full amount of such prepayment of any Term Loan held by it if it shall give written notice to the Administrative Agent thereof by 5:00 p.m. Local Time at least three Business Days prior to the date of such prepayment (any such Lender, a "Declining Lender") and on the date of any such prepayment, any amounts that would otherwise have been applied to prepay Term Loans owing to Declining Lenders shall instead be retained by the Borrower for application for any purpose not prohibited by this Agreement, and
  - (ii) any optional prepayments of the Term Loans pursuant to Section 2.11(a) shall be applied to the remaining installments of the Term Loans under the applicable Class or Classes as the Borrower may in each case direct (and absent such direction, in direct order of maturity).
- (d) Any mandatory prepayment of Term Loans pursuant to Section 2.11(b) or (c) shall be applied so that the aggregate amount of such prepayment is allocated among the Term B Loans and the Other Term Loans, if any, pro rata based on the aggregate principal amount of outstanding Term B Loans and Other Term Loans, if any. Prior to any prepayment of any Loan under any Facility hereunder, the Borrower shall select the Borrowing or Borrowings under the applicable Facility to be prepaid and shall notify the Administrative Agent of such selection in writing in the form of Exhibit L not later than 2:00 p.m., Local Time, (i) in the case of an ABR Borrowing, at least one Business Day before the scheduled date of such prepayment and (ii) in the case of a Eurocurrency Borrowing, at least three Business Days before the scheduled date of such prepayment (or, in each case, such shorter period acceptable to the Administrative Agent); provided that a notice of prepayment may state that such notice is conditioned upon the effectiveness of other credit facilities, indentures or similar

agreements or other transactions, in which case such notice may be revoked by the Borrower (by notice to the Administrative Agent on or prior to the specified effective date) if such condition is not satisfied (or waived by the Borrower in its sole discretion) and/or rescinded at any time by the Borrower if the Borrower determines in its sole discretion that any or all of such conditions will not be satisfied (or waived). Each repayment of a Borrowing (x) in the case of the Revolving Facility of any Class, shall be applied to the Revolving Facility Loans included in the repaid Borrowing such that each Revolving Facility Lender receives its ratable share of such repayment (based upon the respective Revolving Facility Credit Exposures of the Revolving Facility Lenders of such Class at the time of such repayment) and (y) in all other cases, shall be applied ratably to the Loans included in the repaid Borrowing. All repayments of Loans shall be accompanied by accrued interest on the amount repaid to the extent required by Section 2.13(d).

Section 2.11 <u>Prepayment of Loans</u>. (a) The Borrower shall have the right at any time and from time to time to prepay any Loan in whole or in part, without premium or penalty (but subject to Section 2.12(d) and Section 2.16), in an aggregate principal amount that is an integral multiple of the Borrowing Multiple and not less than the Borrowing Minimum or, if less, the amount outstanding, subject to prior notice in accordance with Section 2.10(d).

- (b) The Borrower shall apply all Net Proceeds promptly upon receipt thereof to prepay Term Loans in accordance with clauses (c) and (d) of Section 2.10. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Borrower may use a portion of such Net Proceeds to prepay or repurchase any Other First Lien Debt, in each case in an amount not to exceed the product of (x) the amount of such Net Proceeds and (y) a fraction, (A) the numerator of which is the outstanding principal amount of such Other First Lien Debt and (B) the denominator of which is the sum of the outstanding principal amount of such Other First Lien Debt and the outstanding principal amount of all Classes of Term Loans.
- (c) Not later than 5 Business Days after the date on which the annual financial statements are, or are required to be, delivered under Section 5.04(a) with respect to each Excess Cash Flow Period, the Borrower shall calculate Excess Cash Flow for such Excess Cash Flow Period and the Borrower shall apply an amount equal to (i) the amount by which the Required Percentage of such Excess Cash Flow exceeds \$5,000,000 minus (ii) to the extent not financed using the proceeds of the incurrence of funded term Indebtedness, the sum of (A) the amount of any voluntary payments during such Excess Cash Flow Period (plus, without duplication of any amounts previously deducted under this clause (A), the amount of any voluntary payments after the end of such Excess Cash Flow Period but before the date of prepayment under this clause (c)) of (x) Term Loans (it being understood that the amount of any such payment constituting a below-par Permitted Loan Purchase shall be calculated to equal the amount of cash used and not the principal amount deemed prepaid therewith) and (y) Other First Lien Debt (provided that (i) in the case of the prepayment of any revolving Indebtedness, there was a corresponding reduction in commitments and (ii) the maximum amount of each such prepayment of Other First Lien Debt that may be counted for purposes of this clause (A)(y) shall not exceed the amount that would have been prepaid in respect of such Other First Lien Debt if such prepayment had been applied on a ratable basis among the Term Loans and such Other First Lien Debt (determined based on the aggregate outstanding principal amount of Term Loans and the aggregate principal amount of such Other First Lien Debt on the date of such prepayment of such Other First Lien Debt)) and (B) the amount of any permanent voluntary reductions during such Excess Cash Flow Period (plus, without duplication of any amounts previously deducted under this clause (B), the amount of any permanent voluntary reductions after the end of such Excess Cash Flow Period but before the date of prepayment under this clause (c)) of Revolving Facility Commitments to the extent that an equal amount of Revolving Facility Loans was simultaneously repaid, to (I) prepay Term Loans in accordance with clauses (c) and (d) of Section 2.10 or (II) prepay Term Loans in accordance with clauses (c) and (d) of Section 2.10 and to prepay any Other First Lien Debt in accordance with the agreement(s) governing

such Other First Lien Debt so long as the prepayments under this clause (II) are applied in a manner such that the Term Loans are prepaid on at least a ratable basis with such Other First Lien Debt (determined based on the aggregate outstanding principal amount of Term Loans and the aggregate outstanding principal amount of such Other First Lien Debt being prepaid under this clause (II) on the date of such prepayment). Such calculation will be set forth in a certificate signed by a Financial Officer of the Borrower delivered to the Administrative Agent setting forth the amount, if any, of Excess Cash Flow for such fiscal year, the amount of any required prepayment in respect thereof and the calculation thereof in reasonable detail.

- (d) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section 2.11 to the contrary, (i) to the extent that any or all of the Net Proceeds of any Asset Sale by a Foreign Subsidiary or Excess Cash Flow attributable to a Foreign Subsidiary would otherwise be required to be applied pursuant to Section 2.11(b) or Section 2.11(c) but is prohibited, restricted or delayed by applicable local law from being repatriated to the United States of America (as determined in good faith by the Borrower), the portion of such Net Proceeds or Excess Cash Flow so affected will not be required to be applied to repay Term Loans or Other First Lien Debt at the times provided in Section 2.11(b) or Section 2.11(c) but may be retained by the applicable Foreign Subsidiary and (ii) to the extent that the Borrower has determined in good faith that repatriation of any or all of such Net Proceeds or Excess Cash Flow that would otherwise be required to be applied pursuant to Section 2.11(b) or Section 2.11(c) would have a material adverse tax consequence with respect to such Net Proceeds or Excess Cash Flow, the Net Proceeds or Excess Cash Flow so affected may be retained by the applicable Foreign Subsidiary (the Borrower hereby agreeing to cause the applicable Subsidiary to promptly use commercially reasonable efforts to take all actions within the reasonable control of the Borrower that are reasonably required to eliminate such tax effects).
- (e) In the event that the aggregate amount of Revolving Facility Credit Exposure of any Class exceeds the total Revolving Facility Commitments of such Class (other than as a result of changes in currency exchange rates), the Borrower shall prepay Revolving Facility Borrowings of such Class (or, if no such Borrowings are outstanding, provide Cash Collateral in respect of outstanding Letters of Credit pursuant to Section 2.05(j)) in an aggregate amount equal to such excess.
- (f) In the event that the Revolving L/C Exposure exceeds the Letter of Credit Sublimit (other than as a result of changes in currency exchange rates), at the request of the Administrative Agent, the Borrower shall provide Cash Collateral pursuant to Section 2.05(j) in an aggregate amount equal to such excess.
- (g) If as a result of changes in currency exchange rates, on any Revaluation Date, (i) the total Revolving Facility Credit Exposure of any Class exceeds the total Revolving Facility Commitments of such Class or (ii) the Revolving L/C Exposure exceeds the Letter of Credit Sublimit, the Borrower shall, at the request of the Administrative Agent, within ten (10) days of such Revaluation Date (A) prepay Revolving Facility Borrowings or (B) provide Cash Collateral pursuant to Section 2.05(j), in an aggregate amount such that the applicable exposure does not exceed the applicable commitment sublimit or amount set forth above.
- (h) In the event the Spin-Off has not been consummated on the terms described in the Nuance Registration Statement by the date that is three Business Days after the Closing Date, the Borrower shall prepay all outstanding Borrowings under this Agreement.
- (i) In the event that the amount of Unrestricted Cash exceeds \$85,000,000, the Borrower shall prepay Revolving Facility Borrowings, if any, in an aggregate amount equal to such excess.

Section 2.12 Fees. (a) The Borrower agrees to pay to each Lender (other than any Defaulting Lender), through the Administrative Agent, on the date that is three Business Days after the last day of March, June, September and December in each year and on the date on which the Revolving Facility Commitments of all the Lenders shall be terminated as provided herein, a commitment fee (a "Commitment Fee") on the daily amount of the applicable Available Unused Commitment of such Lender during the preceding quarter (or other period commencing with the Closing Date or ending with the date on which the last of the Commitments of such Lender shall be terminated) at a rate equal to the Applicable Commitment Fee accrued up to the last Business Day of each March, June, September and December. All Commitment Fees shall be computed on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in a year of 360 days. The Commitment Fee due to each Lender shall commence to accrue on the Closing Date and shall cease to accrue on the date on which the last of the Commitments of such Lender shall be terminated as provided herein.

- (b) The Borrower from time to time agrees to pay (i) to each Revolving Facility Lender of each Class (other than any Defaulting Lender), through the Administrative Agent, on the date that is three Business Days after the last day of March, June, September and December of each year and on the date on which the Revolving Facility Commitments of all the Lenders shall be terminated as provided herein, a fee in Dollars (an "L/C Participation Fee") on such Lender's Revolving Facility Percentage of the daily aggregate Revolving L/C Exposure (excluding the portion thereof attributable to unreimbursed L/C Disbursements) of such Class, during the preceding quarter (or shorter period commencing with the Closing Date or ending with the Revolving Facility Maturity Date or the date on which the Revolving Facility Commitments of such Class shall be terminated) at the rate per annum equal to the Applicable Margin for Eurocurrency Revolving Facility Borrowings of such Class effective for each day in such period accrued up to the last Business Day of each March, June, September and December, and (ii) to each Issuing Bank, for its own account (x) on the date that is three Business Days after the last day of March, June, September and December of each year and on the date on which the Revolving Facility Commitments of all the Lenders shall be terminated, a fronting fee in respect of each Letter of Credit issued by such Issuing Bank for the period from and including the date of issuance of such Letter of Credit to and including the termination of such Letter of Credit, computed at a rate equal to 1/8 of 1.00% per annum of the Dollar Equivalent of the daily stated amount of such Letter of Credit, plus (y) in connection with the issuance, amendment or transfer of any such Letter of Credit or any L/C Disbursement thereunder, such Issuing Bank's customary documentary and processing fees and charges (collectively, "Issuing Bank Fees"). All L/C Participation Fees and Issuing Bank Fees that are payable on a per annum basis shall be comput
- (c) The Borrower agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent, for the account of the Administrative Agent, an administration fee in an amount and at times as separately agreed between the Borrower and the Administrative Agent (the "<u>Administrative Agent Fees</u>").
- (d) In the event that, on or prior to the date that is six months after the Closing Date, the Borrower shall (x) make a prepayment of the Term B Loans pursuant to Section 2.11(a) with the proceeds of any new or replacement tranche of term loans that have an All-in Yield that is less than the All-in Yield of such Term B Loans or (y) effect any amendment to this Agreement which reduces the All-in Yield of the Term B Loans (other than, in the case of each of clauses (x) and (y), in connection with a Change in Control), the Borrower shall pay to the Administrative Agent, for the ratable account of each of the applicable Term Loan Lenders, (A) in the case of clause (x), a prepayment premium of 1.00% of the aggregate principal amount of the Term B Loans so prepaid and (B) in the case of clause (y), a fee equal to 1.00% of the aggregate principal amount of the applicable Term B Loans for which the All-in Yield has been reduced pursuant to such amendment. Such amounts shall be due and payable on the date of such prepayment or the effective date of such amendment, as the case may be.

(e) All Fees shall be paid on the dates due, in immediately available funds, to the Administrative Agent for distribution, if and as appropriate, among the Lenders, except that Issuing Bank Fees shall be paid directly to the applicable Issuing Banks. Once paid, none of the Fees shall be refundable under any circumstances.

Section 2.13 Interest. (a) The Loans comprising each ABR Borrowing shall bear interest at the ABR plus the Applicable Margin.

- (b) The Loans comprising each Eurocurrency Borrowing shall bear interest at the Adjusted LIBO Rate for the Interest Period in effect for such Borrowing plus the Applicable Margin.
- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any principal of or interest on any Loan or any Fees or other amount payable by the Borrower hereunder is not paid when due, 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, 2.00% plus the rate otherwise applicable to such Loan as provided in the preceding clauses of this Section 2.13 or (ii) in the case of any other overdue amount, 2.00% plus the rate applicable to ABR Loans as provided in clause (a) of this Section; <u>provided</u>, that this clause (c) shall not apply to any Event of Default that has been waived by the Lenders pursuant to Section 9.08.
- (d) Accrued interest on each Loan shall be payable in arrears (i) on each Interest Payment Date for such Loan, (ii) in the case of Revolving Facility Loans, upon termination of the applicable Revolving Facility Commitments and (iii) in the case of the Term Loans, on the applicable Term Facility Maturity Date; provided, that (A) interest accrued pursuant to clause (c) of this Section 2.13 shall be payable on demand, (B) in the event of any repayment or prepayment of any Loan (other than a prepayment of a Revolving Facility Loan that is an ABR Loan that is not made in conjunction with a permanent commitment reduction), accrued interest on the principal amount repaid or prepaid shall be payable on the date of such repayment or prepayment and (C) in the event of any conversion of any Eurocurrency Loan prior to the end of the current Interest Period therefor, accrued interest on such Loan shall be payable on the effective date of such conversion.
- (e) All interest hereunder shall be computed on the basis of a year of 360 days, except that interest computed by reference to the ABR at times when the ABR is based on the Prime Rate shall be computed on the basis of a year of 365 days (or 366 days in a leap year), and in each case shall be payable for the actual number of days elapsed (including the first day but excluding the last day). The applicable ABR, Adjusted LIBO Rate or LIBO Rate shall be determined by the Administrative Agent, and such determination shall be conclusive absent manifest error.

# Section 2.14 Alternate Rate of Interest.

- (a) If prior to the commencement of any Interest Period for a Eurocurrency Borrowing:
- (i) the Administrative Agent determines (which determination shall be conclusive absent manifest error) that adequate and reasonable means do not exist for ascertaining the Adjusted LIBO Rate for such Interest Period; or

- (ii) the Administrative Agent is advised by the Required Lenders that the Adjusted LIBO Rate for such Interest Period will not adequately and fairly reflect the cost to such Lenders of making or maintaining their Loans included in such Borrowing for such Interest Period; then the Administrative Agent shall give notice thereof to the Borrower and the Lenders by electronic means as promptly as practicable thereafter and, until the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower and the Lenders that the circumstances giving rise to such notice no longer exist, (i) any Interest Election Request that requests the conversion of any Borrowing to, or continuation of any Borrowing as, a Eurocurrency Borrowing shall be ineffective and such Borrowing shall be converted to or continued as on the last day of the Interest Period applicable thereto an ABR Borrowing, and (ii) if any Borrowing Request requests a Eurocurrency Borrowing, such Borrowing shall be made as an ABR Borrowing.
- (b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Loan Document, upon the occurrence of a Benchmark Transition Event or an Early Opt-in Election, as applicable, the Administrative Agent and the Borrower may amend this Agreement to replace the LIBO Rate with a Benchmark Replacement. Any such amendment with respect to a Benchmark Transition Event will become effective at 5:00 p.m. on the fifth (5th) Business Day after the Administrative Agent has posted such proposed amendment to all Lenders and the Borrower unless the Administrative Agent has received, by such time, written notice of objection to such amendment from Lenders comprising the Required Lenders of each Class. Any such amendment with respect to an Early Opt-in Election will become effective on the date that Lenders comprising the Required Lenders of each Class have delivered to the Administrative Agent written notice that such Required Lenders accept such amendment. No replacement of the LIBO Rate with a Benchmark Replacement pursuant to Section 2.14 will occur prior to the applicable Benchmark Transition Start Date
- (c) In connection with the implementation of a Benchmark Replacement, the Administrative Agent and the Borrower will have the right to make Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes from time to time and, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, any amendments implementing such Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes will become effective without any further action or consent of any other party to this Agreement.
- (d) The Administrative Agent will promptly notify the Borrower and the Lenders of (i) any occurrence of a Benchmark Transition Event or an Early Opt-in Election, as applicable, and its related Benchmark Replacement Date and Benchmark Transition Start Date, (ii) the implementation of any Benchmark Replacement, (iii) the effectiveness of any Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes and (iv) the commencement or conclusion of any Benchmark Unavailability Period. Any determination, decision or election that may be made by the Administrative Agent or Lenders pursuant to this Section 2.14, including any determination with respect to a tenor, rate or adjustment or of the occurrence or non-occurrence of an event, circumstance or date and any decision to take or refrain from taking any action, 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 hereto, except, in each case, as expressly required pursuant to this Section 2.14.
- (e) Upon the Borrower's receipt of notice of the commencement of a Benchmark Unavailability Period, the Borrower may revoke any request for a Eurocurrency Loan of, conversion to or continuation of Eurocurrency Loans to be made, converted or continued during any Benchmark Unavailability Period and, failing that, the Borrower will be deemed to have converted any such request into a request for a Borrowing of or conversion to ABR Loans. During any Benchmark Unavailability Period, the component of ABR based upon the LIBO Rate will not be used in any determination of ABR.

# Section 2.15 <u>Increased Costs</u>. (a) If any Change in Law shall:

(i) impose, modify or deem applicable any reserve, special deposit or similar requirement against assets of, deposits with or for the account of, or credit extended by, any Lender (except any such reserve requirement reflected in the Adjusted LIBO Rate) or Issuing Bank; or

- (ii) subject any Lender to any Tax with respect to any Loan Document (other than (A) Taxes indemnifiable under Section 2.17 or (B) Excluded Taxes); or
- (iii) impose on any Lender or Issuing Bank or the London interbank market any other condition affecting this Agreement or Eurocurrency Loans made by such Lender or any Letter of Credit or participation therein;

and the result of any of the foregoing shall be to increase the cost to such Lender of making or maintaining any Eurocurrency Loan (or of maintaining its obligation to make any such Loan) or to increase the cost to such Lender or Issuing Bank of participating in, issuing or maintaining any Letter of Credit or to reduce the amount of any sum received or receivable by such Lender or Issuing Bank hereunder (whether of principal, interest or otherwise), then the Borrower will pay to such Lender or Issuing Bank, as applicable, such additional amount or amounts as will compensate such Lender or Issuing Bank, as applicable, for such additional costs incurred or reduction suffered.

- (b) If any Lender or Issuing Bank determines that any Change in Law regarding capital requirements or liquidity has or would have the effect of reducing the rate of return on such Lender's or Issuing Bank's capital or on the capital of such Lender's or Issuing Bank's holding company, if any, as a consequence of this Agreement or the Loans made by, or participations in Letters of Credit held by, such Lender, or the Letters of Credit issued by such Issuing Bank, to a level below that which such Lender or such Issuing Bank or such Issuing Bank's holding company could have achieved but for such Change in Law (taking into consideration such Lender's or such Issuing Bank's policies and the policies of such Lender's or such Issuing Bank's holding company with respect to capital adequacy and liquidity), then from time to time the Borrower shall pay to such Lender or such Issuing Bank, as applicable, such additional amount or amounts as will compensate such Lender or such Issuing Bank or such Lender's or such Issuing Bank's holding company for any such reduction suffered.
- (c) A certificate of a Lender or an Issuing Bank setting forth the amount or amounts necessary to compensate such Lender or Issuing Bank or its holding company, as applicable, as specified in clause (a) or (b) of this Section 2.15 shall be delivered to the Borrower and shall be conclusive absent manifest error; provided, that any such certificate claiming amounts described in clause (x) or (y) of the definition of "Change in Law" shall, in addition, state the basis upon which such amount has been calculated and certify that such Lender's or Issuing Bank's demand for payment of such costs hereunder, and such method of allocation is not inconsistent with its treatment of other borrowers which, as a credit matter, are similarly situated to the Borrower and which are subject to similar provisions. The Borrower shall pay such Lender or Issuing Bank, as applicable, the amount shown as due on any such certificate within 10 days after receipt thereof.
- (d) Promptly after any Lender or any Issuing Bank has determined that it will make a request for increased compensation pursuant to this Section 2.15, such Lender or Issuing Bank shall notify the Borrower thereof. Failure or delay on the part of any Lender or Issuing Bank to demand compensation pursuant to this Section 2.15 shall not constitute a waiver of such Lender's or Issuing Bank's right to demand such compensation; <a href="mailto:provided">provided</a>, that the Borrower shall not be required to compensate a Lender or an Issuing Bank pursuant to this Section 2.15 for any increased costs or reductions incurred more than 180 days prior to the date that such Lender or Issuing Bank, as applicable, notifies the Borrower of the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions and of such Lender's or Issuing Bank's intention to claim compensation therefor; <a href="provided">provided</a>, <a href="further">further</a>, that, if the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions is retroactive, then the 180 day period referred to above shall be extended to include the period of retroactive effect thereof.

Section 2.16 <u>Break Funding Payments</u>. In the event of (a) the payment of any principal of any Eurocurrency Loan other than on the last day of an Interest Period applicable thereto (including as a result of an Event of Default), (b) the conversion of any Eurocurrency Loan other than on the last day of the Interest Period applicable thereto, (c) the failure to borrow (other than due to the default of the relevant Lender), convert, continue or prepay any Eurocurrency Loan on the date specified in any notice delivered pursuant hereto or (d) the assignment of any Eurocurrency Loan other than on the last day of the Interest Period applicable thereto as a result of a request by the Borrower pursuant to Section 2.19, then, in any such event, the Borrower shall compensate each Lender for the loss, cost and expense attributable to such event. In the case of a Eurocurrency Loan, such loss, cost or expense to any Lender shall be deemed to be the amount determined by such Lender (it being understood that the deemed amount shall not exceed the actual amount) to be the excess, if any, of (i) the amount of interest that would have accrued on the principal amount of such Loan had such event not occurred, at the LIBO Rate that would have been applicable to such Loan, for the period from the date of such event to the last day of the then current Interest Period therefor (or, in the case of a failure to borrow, convert or continue a Eurocurrency Loan, for the period that would have been the Interest Period for such Loan), over (ii) the amount of interest that would accrue on such principal amount for such period at the interest rate which such Lender would bid were it to bid, at the commencement of such period, for deposits in Dollars of a comparable amount and period from other banks in the eurocurrency market. A certificate of any Lender setting forth any amount or amounts that such Lender is entitled to receive pursuant to this Section 2.16 shall be delivered to the Borrower and shall be conclusive absent manifest error. The B

Section 2.17 Taxes. (a) Any and all payments made by or on behalf of a Loan Party under this Agreement or any other Loan Document shall be made free and clear of, and without deduction or withholding for or on account of, any Taxes; provided that if a Loan Party, the Administrative Agent or any other applicable withholding agent shall be required by applicable Requirement of Law to deduct or withhold any Taxes from such payments, then (i) the applicable withholding agent shall make such deductions or withholdings as are reasonably determined by the applicable withholding agent to be required by any applicable Requirement of Law, (ii) the applicable withholding agent shall timely pay the full amount deducted or withheld to the relevant Governmental Authority within the time allowed and in accordance with the applicable Requirement of Law, and (iii) to the extent withholding or deduction is required to be made on account of Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes, the sum payable by the Loan Party shall be increased as necessary so that after all required deductions and withholdings have been made (including deductions or withholdings applicable to additional sums payable under this Section 2.17) any Lender (or where the Administrative Agent receives the payment for its own account, the Administrative Agent) receives an amount equal to the sum it would have received had no such deductions or withholdings been made. Whenever any Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes are payable by a Loan Party, as promptly as possible thereafter, such Loan Party shall send to the Administrative Agent for its own account or for the account of a Lender, as the case may be, a certified copy of an official receipt (or other evidence acceptable to the Administrative Agent or such Lender, acting reasonably) received by the Loan Party showing payment thereof. Without duplication, after any payment of Taxes by any Loan Party or the Administrative Agent to a Governmental Authority as provided in this Section 2.17, the Borrower shall deliver to the Administrative Agent or the Administrative Agent shall deliver to the Borrower, as the case may be, a copy of a receipt issued by such Governmental Authority evidencing such payment, a copy of any return required by applicable Requirements of Law to report such payment or other evidence of such payment reasonably satisfactory to the Borrower or the Administrative Agent, as the case may be.

(b) The Borrower shall timely pay any Other Taxes.

- (c) The Borrower shall indemnify and hold harmless the Administrative Agent and each Lender within 15 Business Days after written demand therefor, for the full amount of any Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes imposed on the Administrative Agent or such Lender, as applicable, as the case may be (including Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes imposed or asserted on or attributable to amounts payable under this Section 2.17), and any reasonable expenses arising therefrom or with respect thereto, whether or not such Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes were correctly or legally imposed or asserted by the relevant Governmental Authority. A certificate setting forth in reasonable detail the basis and calculation of the amount of such payment or liability delivered to the Borrower by a Lender or by the Administrative Agent (as applicable) on its own behalf or on behalf of a Lender shall be conclusive absent manifest error.
- (d) Each Lender shall deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, at such time or times reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent, such properly completed and executed documentation prescribed by applicable law and such other reasonably requested information as will permit the Borrower or the Administrative Agent, as the case may be, to determine (i) whether or not any payments made hereunder or under any other Loan Document are subject to withholding of Taxes, (ii) if applicable, the required rate of withholding or deduction, and (iii) such Lender's entitlement to any available exemption from, or reduction of, any such withholding of Taxes in respect of any payments to be made to such Lender by any Loan Party pursuant to any Loan Document or otherwise to establish such Lender's status for withholding tax purposes in the applicable jurisdiction. In addition, any Lender, if 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.
  - (e) Without limiting the generality of Section 2.17(d), each Foreign Lender with respect to any Loan made to the Borrower shall, to the extent it is legally eligible to do so:
  - (i) deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, prior to the date on which the first payment to the Foreign Lender is due hereunder, two copies of (A) in the case of a Foreign Lender claiming exemption from U.S. federal withholding tax under Section 871(h) or 881(c) of the Code with respect to payments of "portfolio interest," IRS Form W-8BEN or W-8BEN-E, as applicable, (or any applicable successor form) (together with a certificate (substantially in the form of Exhibit I hereto, such certificate, the "Non-Bank Tax Certificate") certifying that such Foreign Lender is not a bank for purposes of Section 881(c) of the Code, is not a "10-percent shareholder" (within the meaning of Section 871(h)(3)(B) of the Code) of the Borrower and is not a CFC related to the Borrower (within the meaning of Section 864(d)(4) of the Code), and that the interest payments in question are not effectively connected with the conduct by such Lender of a trade or business within the United States of America), (B) IRS Form W-8BEN or W-8BEN-E, as applicable, or Form W-8ECI (or any applicable successor form), in each case properly completed and duly executed by such Foreign Lender claiming complete exemption from, or reduced rate of, U.S. federal withholding tax on payments by the Borrower under this Agreement, (C) IRS Form W-8IMY (or any applicable successor form) and all necessary attachments (including the forms described in clauses (A) and (B) above, provided that if the Foreign Lender is a partnership, and one or more of the partners is claiming portfolio interest treatment, the Non-Bank Tax Certificate may be provided by such Foreign Lender on behalf of such partners) or (D) any other form prescribed by applicable law as a basis for claiming exemption from or a reduction in U.S. federal withholding tax duly completed together with such supplementary documentation as may be prescribed by applicable law to permit the Borrower or the Administrative Agent to determine the withholding or deduction required to be made; and

(ii) deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent two further copies of any such form or certification (or any applicable successor form) on or before the date that any such form or certification expires or becomes obsolete or invalid, after the occurrence of any event requiring a change in the most recent form previously delivered by it to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, and from time to time thereafter if reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent.

Any Foreign Lender that becomes legally ineligible to update any form or certification previously delivered shall promptly notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent in writing of such Foreign Lender's inability to do so.

Each person that shall become a Participant pursuant to Section 9.04 or a Lender pursuant to Section 9.04 shall, upon the effectiveness of the related transfer, be required to provide all the forms and statements required pursuant to this Section 2.17(e); provided that a Participant shall furnish all such required forms and statements solely to the person from which the related participation shall have been purchased.

Each Lender hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to deliver to the Loan Parties and to any successor Administrative Agent any documentation provided by such Lender to the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 2.17(e).

In addition, the Administrative Agent shall deliver to the Borrower (x)(I) prior to the date on which the first payment by the Borrower is due hereunder or (II) prior to the first date on or after the date on which such Administrative Agent becomes a successor Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 8.09 on which payment by the Borrower is due hereunder, as applicable, two copies of a properly completed and executed IRS Form W-9 certifying its exemption from U.S. federal backup withholding or such other properly completed and executed documentation prescribed by applicable law certifying its entitlement to any available exemption from applicable U.S. federal withholding taxes in respect of any payments to be made to such Administrative Agent by any Loan Party pursuant to any Loan Document including, as applicable, an IRS Form W-8IMY certifying that the Administrative Agent is a U.S. branch and, with respect to payments received by the Administrative Agent on behalf of a Lender, intends to be treated as a U.S. person for purposes of withholding under Chapter 3 of the Code pursuant to Section 1.1441-1(b)(2)(iv) of the Treasury Regulations, and (y) on or before the date on which any such previously delivered documentation expires or becomes obsolete or invalid, after the occurrence of any event requiring a change in the most recent documentation previously delivered by it to the Borrower, and from time to time if reasonably requested by the Borrower, two further copies of such documentation. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, the Administrative Agent is not required to provide any documentation that it is not legally eligible to provide as a result of any Change in Law occurring after the date hereof.

(f) If any Lender or the Administrative Agent, as applicable, determines, in its sole discretion, that it has received a refund of an Indemnified Tax or Other Tax for which a payment has been made by a Loan Party pursuant to this Agreement or any other Loan Document, which refund in the good faith judgment of such Lender or the Administrative Agent, as the case may be, is attributable to such payment made by such Loan Party, then the Lender or the Administrative Agent, as the case may be, shall reimburse the Loan Party for such amount (net of all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses of such Lender or the Administrative Agent, as the case may be, and without interest other than any interest received thereon from the relevant Governmental Authority with respect to such refund) as the Lender or Administrative Agent, as the case may be, determines in its sole discretion to be the proportion of the refund as will leave it, after such reimbursement, in no better or worse position (taking into account expenses or any Taxes imposed on the refund) than it would have been in if the Indemnified Tax or

Other Tax giving rise to such refund had not been imposed in the first instance; <u>provided</u> that the Loan Party, upon the request of the Lender or the Administrative Agent agrees to repay the amount paid over to the Loan Party (plus any penalties, interest or other charges imposed by the relevant Governmental Authority) to the Lender or the Administrative Agent in the event the Lender or the Administrative Agent is required to repay such refund to such Governmental Authority. In such event, such Lender or the Administrative Agent, as the case may be, shall, at the Borrower's request, provide the Borrower with a copy of any notice of assessment or other evidence of the requirement to repay such refund received from the relevant Governmental Authority (provided that such Lender or the Administrative Agent may delete any information therein that it deems confidential). A Lender or the Administrative Agent shall claim any refund that it determines is available to it, unless it concludes in its sole discretion that it would be adversely affected by making such a claim. No Lender nor the Administrative Agent shall be obliged to make available its tax returns (or any other information relating to its taxes that it deems confidential) to any Loan Party in connection with this clause (f) or any other provision of this Section 2.17.

- (g) If the Borrower determines that a reasonable basis exists for contesting an Indemnified Tax or Other Tax for which a Loan Party has paid additional amounts or indemnification payments, each affected Lender or Agent, as the case may be, shall use reasonable efforts to cooperate with the Borrower as the Borrower may reasonably request in challenging such Tax. The Borrower shall indemnify and hold each Lender and Agent harmless against any out-of-pocket expenses incurred by such person in connection with any request made by the Borrower pursuant to this Section 2.17(g). Nothing in this Section 2.17(g) shall obligate any Lender or Agent to take any action that such person, in its sole judgment, determines may result in a material detriment to such person.
- (h) Each U.S. Lender shall deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent two IRS Forms W-9 (or substitute or successor form), properly completed and duly executed, certifying that such U.S. Lender is exempt from U.S. federal backup withholding (i) on or prior to the Closing Date (or on or prior to the date it becomes a party to this Agreement), (ii) on or before the date that such form expires or becomes obsolete or invalid, (iii) after the occurrence of a change in the U.S. Lender's circumstances requiring a change in the most recent form previously delivered by it to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, and (iv) from time to time thereafter if reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent.
- (i) If a payment made to any Lender or any Agent under this Agreement or any other Loan Document would be subject to U.S. federal withholding tax imposed by FATCA if such Lender or such Agent were to fail to comply with the applicable reporting requirements of FATCA (including those contained in Section 1471(b) or 1472(b) of the Code, as applicable), such Lender or such Agent 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 obligations under FATCA, to determine whether such Lender has or has not complied with such Lender's obligations under FATCA or to determine the amount, if any, to deduct and withhold from such payment. Solely for purposes of this Section 2.17(i), "FATCA" shall include any amendments made to FATCA after the date of this Agreement.
- (j) The agreements in this Section 2.17 shall survive the termination of this Agreement and the payment of the Loans and all other amounts payable under any Loan Document.

For purposes of this Section 2.17, the term "Lender" includes any Issuing Bank and the terms "applicable law" and "applicable Requirement of Law" include FATCA.

Section 2.18 <u>Payments Generally; Pro Rata Treatment; Sharing of Set-offs.</u> (a) Unless otherwise specified, the Borrower shall make each payment required to be made by it hereunder (whether of principal, interest, fees or reimbursement of L/C Disbursements, or of amounts payable under Sections 2.15, 2.16 or 2.17, or otherwise) prior to 2:00 p.m., Local Time, on the date when due, in immediately available funds. Each such payment shall be made without condition or deduction for any defense, recoupment, set-off or counterclaim. Any amounts received after such time on any date may, in the discretion of the Administrative Agent, be deemed to have been received on the next succeeding Business Day for purposes of calculating interest thereon. All such payments shall be made to the Administrative Agent to the applicable account designated to the Borrower by the Administrative Agent, except payments to be made directly to the applicable Issuing Bank as expressly provided herein and except that payments pursuant to Sections 2.15, 2.16, 2.17 and 9.05 shall be made directly to the persons entitled thereto. The Administrative Agent shall distribute any such payments received by it for the account of any other person to the appropriate recipient promptly following receipt thereof. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, if any payment hereunder shall be due on a day that is not a Business Day, the date for payment shall be extended to the next succeeding Business Day, and, in the case of any payment accruing interest, interest thereon shall be payable for the period of such extension. All payments made under the Loan Documents shall be made in Dollars (or, in the case of Alternate Currency Loans or Alternate Currency Letters of Credit, in the applicable Alternate Currency). Any payment required to be made by the Administrative Agent hereunder shall be deemed to have been made by the time required if the Administrative Agent shall, at or before such time, have taken the necessary steps to make such payment in accordan

(b) Subject to Section 7.02, if at any time insufficient funds are received by and available to the Administrative Agent from the Borrower to pay fully all amounts of principal, unreimbursed L/C Disbursements, interest and fees then due from the Borrower hereunder, such funds shall be applied (i) first, towards payment of interest and fees then due from the Borrower hereunder, ratably among the parties entitled thereto in accordance with the amounts of interest and fees then due to such parties, (ii) second, towards payment of unreimbursed L/C Disbursements then due from the Borrower hereunder, ratably among the parties entitled thereto in accordance with the amounts of unreimbursed L/C Disbursements then due to such parties, and (iii) third, towards payment of principal then due from the Borrower hereunder, ratably among the parties entitled thereto in accordance with the amounts of principal then due to such parties.

(c) If any Lender shall, by exercising any right of set-off or counterclaim or otherwise, obtain payment in respect of any principal of, or interest on, any of its Term Loans, Revolving Facility Loans or participations in L/C Disbursements of a given Class resulting in such Lender receiving payment of a greater proportion of the aggregate amount of its Term Loans, Revolving Facility Loans and participations in L/C Disbursements of such Class and accrued interest thereon than the proportion received by any other Lender entitled to receive the same proportion of such payment, then the Lender receiving such greater proportion shall purchase participations in the Term Loans, Revolving Facility Loans and participations in L/C Disbursements of such Class of such other Lenders to the extent necessary so that the benefit of all such payments shall be shared by all such Lenders entitled thereto ratably in accordance with the principal amount of each such Lender's respective Term Loans, Revolving Facility Loans and participations in L/C Disbursements of such Class and accrued interest thereon; <u>provided</u>, that (i) if any such participations are purchased and all or any portion of the payment giving rise thereto is recovered, such participations shall be rescinded and the purchase price restored to the extent of such recovery, without interest, and (ii) the provisions of this clause (c) shall not

be construed to apply to any payment made by the Borrower pursuant to and in accordance with the express terms of this Agreement or any payment obtained by a Lender as consideration for the assignment of or sale of a participation in any of its Loans or participations in L/C Disbursements to any assignee or participant. The Borrower consents to the foregoing and agrees, to the extent it may effectively do so under applicable law, that any Lender acquiring a participation pursuant to the foregoing arrangements may exercise against the Borrower rights of set-off and counterclaim with respect to such participation as fully as if such Lender were a direct creditor of the Borrower in the amount of such participation.

- (d) Unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from the Borrower prior to the date on which any payment is due to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Lenders or the applicable Issuing Bank hereunder that the Borrower will not make such payment, the Administrative Agent may assume that the Borrower has made such payment on such date in accordance herewith and may, in reliance upon such assumption, distribute to the Lenders or the applicable Issuing Bank, as applicable, the amount due. In such event, if the Borrower has not in fact made such payment, then each of the Lenders or the applicable Issuing Bank, as applicable, severally agrees to repay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand the amount so distributed to such Lender or Issuing Bank with interest thereon, for each day from and including the date such amount is distributed to it to but excluding the date of payment to the Administrative Agent, at the greater of the Federal Funds Effective Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation.
- (e) If any Lender shall fail to make any payment required to be made by it pursuant to Section 2.04(b), 2.05(d) or (e), 2.06 or 2.18(d), then the Administrative Agent may, in its discretion (notwithstanding any contrary provision hereof), apply any amounts thereafter received by the Administrative Agent for the account of such Lender to satisfy such Lender's obligations under such Sections until all such unsatisfied obligations are fully paid.
- Section 2.19 <u>Mitigation Obligations</u>; <u>Replacement of Lenders</u>. (a) If any Lender requests compensation under Section 2.15, 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 2.17 or any event that gives rise to the operation of Section 2.20, then such Lender shall use reasonable efforts to designate a different Lending Office for funding or booking its Loans hereunder or to assign its rights and obligations hereunder to another of its offices, branches or Affiliates, if, in the reasonable judgment of such Lender, such designation or assignment (i) would eliminate or reduce amounts payable pursuant to Section 2.15 or 2.17 or mitigate the applicability of Section 2.20, as applicable, in the future and (ii) would not subject such Lender to any material unreimbursed cost or expense and would not otherwise be disadvantageous to such Lender in any material respect. The Borrower hereby agrees to pay all reasonable costs and expenses incurred by any Lender in connection with any such designation or assignment.
- (b) If (i) any Lender requests compensation under Section 2.15 or gives notice under Section 2.20, (ii) 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 2.17, or (iii) any Lender is a Defaulting Lender, then the Borrower may, at its sole expense and effort, upon notice to such Lender and the Administrative Agent, require any such Lender to assign and delegate, without recourse (in accordance with and subject to the restrictions contained in Section 9.04), all its interests, rights and obligations under this Agreement to an assignee that shall assume such obligations (which assignee may be another Lender, if a Lender accepts such assignment); provided that (i) the Borrower shall have received the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent (and, if in respect of any Revolving Facility Commitment or Revolving Facility Loan, the Issuing Banks), to the extent consent would be

required under Section 9.04(b) for an assignment of Loans or Commitments, as applicable, which consent, in each case, shall not unreasonably be withheld, (ii) such Lender shall have received payment of an amount equal to the outstanding principal of its Loans and participations in L/C Disbursements, accrued interest thereon, accrued fees and all other amounts payable to it hereunder 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) and (iii) in the case of any such assignment resulting from a claim for compensation under Section 2.15, payments required to be made pursuant to Section 2.17 or a notice given under Section 2.20, such assignment will result in a reduction in such compensation or payments. Nothing in this Section 2.19 shall be deemed to prejudice any rights that the Borrower may have against any Lender that is a Defaulting Lender. No action by or consent of the removed Lender shall be necessary in connection with such assignment, which shall be immediately and automatically effective upon payment of such purchase price. In connection with any such assignment the Borrower, Administrative Agent, such removed Lender and the replacement Lender shall otherwise comply with Section 9.04, provided, that if such removed Lender does not comply with Section 9.04 within one Business Day after the Borrower's request, compliance with Section 9.04 shall not be required to effect such assignment.

(c) If any Lender (such Lender, a "Non-Consenting Lender") has failed to consent to a proposed amendment, waiver, discharge or termination which pursuant to the terms of Section 9.08 requires the consent of all of the Lenders affected and with respect to which the Required Lenders shall have granted their consent, then the Borrower shall have the right (unless such Non-Consenting Lender grants such consent) at its sole expense (including with respect to the processing and recordation fee referred to in Section 9.04(b)(ii)(B)) to replace such Non-Consenting Lender by requiring such Non-Consenting Lender to (and any such Non-Consenting Lender agrees that it shall, upon the Borrower's request) assign its Loans and its Commitments (or, at the Borrower's option, the Loans and Commitments under the Facility that is the subject of the proposed amendment, waiver, discharge or termination) hereunder to one or more assignees reasonably acceptable to (i) the Administrative Agent (unless such assignee is a Lender, an Affiliate of a Lender or an Approved Fund) and (ii) if in respect of any Revolving Facility Commitment or Revolving Facility Loan, the Issuing Banks; provided, that: (a) all Loan Obligations of the Borrower owing to such Non-Consenting Lender being replaced shall be paid in full to such Non-Consenting Lender concurrently with such assignment, (b) the replacement Lender shall purchase the foregoing by paying to such Non-Consenting Lender a price equal to the principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon and the replacement Lender or, at the option of the Borrower, the Borrower shall pay any amount required by Section 2.12(d)(y), if applicable, and (c) the replacement Lender shall grant its consent with respect to the applicable proposed amendment, waiver, discharge or termination. No action by or consent of the Non-Consenting Lender shall be necessary in connection with such assignment, which shall be immediately and automatically effective upon payment of such purchase price. In connection with any such assignment the Borrower, Administrative Agent, such Non-Consenting Lender and the replacement Lender shall otherwise comply with Section 9.04; provided, that if such Non-Consenting Lender does not comply with Section 9.04 within one Business Day after the Borrower's request, compliance with Section 9.04 shall not be required to effect such assignment.

Section 2.20 <u>Illegality</u>. If any Lender reasonably determines that any Change in Law has made it unlawful, or that any Governmental Authority has asserted after the Closing Date that it is unlawful, for any Lender or its applicable Lending Office to make or maintain any Eurocurrency Loans, then, on notice thereof by such Lender to the Borrower through the Administrative Agent, any obligations of such Lender to make or continue Eurocurrency Loans or to convert ABR Borrowings to Eurocurrency Borrowings shall be suspended 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, the Borrower shall upon demand from such Lender (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), convert all Eurocurrency Borrowings of such Lender to ABR Borrowings, either on the last day of the Interest Period therefor, if such Lender may lawfully continue to maintain such Eurocurrency Borrowings to such day, or immediately, if such Lender may not lawfully continue to maintain such Loans. Upon any such prepayment or conversion, the Borrower shall also pay accrued interest on the amount so converted.

Section 2.21 Incremental Commitments. (a) The Borrower may, by written notice to the Administrative Agent from time to time, establish Incremental Term Loan Commitments and/or Incremental Revolving Facility Commitments, as applicable, in an amount not to exceed the Incremental Amount available at the time such Incremental Commitments are established (or at the time any commitment relating thereto is entered into or, at the option of the Borrower, at the time of incurrence of the Incremental Loans thereunder or, with respect to any Incremental Term Loan Commitment and/or Incremental Revolving Facility Commitment established for purposes of financing any Permitted Acquisition, New Project or any other acquisition or similar Investment that is permitted by this Agreement, as of the date the definitive agreement with respect to such Permitted Acquisition, New Project, acquisition or similar Investment is entered into) from one or more Incremental Term Lenders and/or Incremental Revolving Facility Lenders (which may include any existing Lender) willing to provide such Incremental Term Loans and/or Incremental Revolving Facility Commitments, as the case may be, in their own discretion; provided that each Incremental Term Lender and each Incremental Revolving Facility Lender providing a commitment shall be subject to the approval of the Administrative Agent (and, solely in the case of Incremental Revolving Facility Lenders, the Issuing Banks), to the extent the same would be required for an assignment under Section 9.04 (which approvals shall not be unreasonably withheld) unless such Incremental Term Lender is an existing Lender or such Incremental Revolving Facility Lender is an existing Revolving Facility Lender. Such notice shall set forth (i) the amount of the Incremental Term Loan Commitments and/or Incremental Revolving Facility Commitments being established (which shall be in minimum increments of \$5,000,000 and a minimum amount of \$10,000,000, or equal to the remaining Incremental Amount or, in each case, such lesser amount approved by the Administrative Agent), (ii) the date on which such Incremental Term Loan Commitments and/or Incremental Revolving Facility Commitments are anticipated to become effective, (iii) in the case of Incremental Revolving Facility Commitments, whether such Incremental Revolving Facility Commitments are to be (x) commitments to make additional Revolving Facility Loans on the same terms as the Initial Revolving Loans or (y) commitments to make revolving loans with pricing terms, final maturity dates, participation in mandatory prepayments or commitment reductions and/or other terms different from the Initial Revolving Loans ("Other Revolving Loans") and (iv) in the case of Incremental Term Loan Commitments, whether such Incremental Term Loan Commitments are to be (x) commitments to make term loans with terms identical to Term B Loans or (y) commitments to make term loans with pricing, maturity, amortization, participation in mandatory prepayments and/or other terms different from the Term B Loans ("Other Term Loans").

(b) The Borrower, the Administrative Agent (if applicable) and each Incremental Term Lender and/or Incremental Revolving Facility Lender shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent an Incremental Assumption Agreement and such other documentation as the Administrative Agent shall reasonably specify to evidence the Incremental Term Loan Commitment of such Incremental Term Lender and/or Incremental Revolving Facility Commitment of such Incremental Revolving Facility Lender. Each Incremental Assumption Agreement shall specify the terms of the applicable Incremental Term Loans and/or Incremental Revolving Facility Commitments; provided, that:

(i) any commitments to make additional Term B Loans and/or additional Initial Revolving Loans shall have the same terms as the Term B Loans or Initial Revolving Loans, respectively,

- (ii) the Other Term Loans incurred pursuant to clause (a) of this Section 2.21 shall rank pari passu or, at the option of the Borrower, junior in right of security with the Liens on the Collateral securing the Term B Loans or be unsecured (<u>provided</u>, that if such Other Term Loans rank junior in right of security with the Liens on the Collateral securing the Term B Loans, such Other Term Loans shall be subject to a Permitted Junior Intercreditor Agreement and, for the avoidance of doubt, if such Other Term Loans rank junior in right of security with the Liens on the Collateral securing the Term B Loans or are unsecured, such Other Term Loans shall not be subject to clause (vii) below),
- (iii) (A) the final maturity date of any such Other Term Loans shall be no earlier than the Term B Facility Maturity Date and (B) except as to pricing, amortization, final maturity date, participation in mandatory prepayments and ranking as to security (which shall, subject to the other clauses of this proviso, be determined by the Borrower and the Incremental Term Lenders in their sole discretion), shall have (x) substantially similar terms as the Term B Loans or (y) such other terms (including as to guarantees and collateral but excluding covenants or other provisions applicable only to periods after the Latest Maturity Date then in effect) as shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (it being understood that, to the extent any financial maintenance covenant is added for the benefit of any Other Term Loan, no consent shall be required from the Administrative Agent or any Lender if such financial maintenance covenant is also added for the benefit of all Facilities then outstanding),
- (iv) the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of any such Other Term Loans shall be no shorter than the remaining Weighted Average Life to Maturity of the Term B Loans,
- (v) the Other Revolving Loans incurred pursuant to clause (a) of this Section 2.21 shall rank pari passu or, at the option of the Borrower, junior in right of security with the Liens on the Collateral securing the Initial Revolving Loans or be unsecured (provided, that if such Other Revolving Loans rank junior in right of security with the Liens on the Collateral securing the Initial Revolving Loans, such Other Revolving Loans shall be subject to a Permitted Junior Intercreditor Agreement),
- (vi) (A) the final maturity date of any such Other Revolving Loans shall be no earlier than the Revolving Facility Maturity Date with respect to the Initial Revolving Loans and (B) except as to pricing, final maturity date, participation in mandatory prepayments and commitment reductions and ranking as to security (which shall, subject to the other clauses of this proviso, be determined by the Borrower and the Incremental Revolving Facility Lenders in their sole discretion), shall have (x) substantially similar terms as the Initial Revolving Loans or (y) such other terms (including as to guarantees and collateral but excluding covenants or other provisions applicable only to periods after the Latest Maturity Date then in effect) as shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (it being understood that, to the extent any financial maintenance covenant is added for the benefit of any Other Revolving Loan, no consent shall be required from the Administrative Agent or any Lender if such financial maintenance covenant is also added for the benefit of the Initial Revolving Loan),
- (vii) with respect to any Subject Term Loan, the All-in Yield shall be the same as that applicable to the then-outstanding Term B Loans, except that the All-in Yield in respect of any such Other Term Loan may exceed the All-in Yield in respect of such Term B Loans by no more than 0.50%, or if it does so exceed such All-in Yield by more than 0.50% (such difference, the "Term Yield Differential") then the Applicable Margin (or the "LIBOR floor" as provided in the following proviso) applicable to such Term B Loans shall be increased such that after giving effect to such increase, the Term Yield Differential shall not exceed 0.50%; provided

that, to the extent any portion of the Term Yield Differential is attributable to a higher "LIBOR floor" being applicable to such Other Term Loans, such floor shall only be included in the calculation of the Term Yield Differential to the extent such floor is greater than the Adjusted LIBO Rate in effect for an Interest Period of three months' duration at such time, and, with respect to such excess, the "LIBOR floor" applicable to the outstanding Term B Loans shall be increased to an amount not to exceed the "LIBOR floor" applicable to such Other Term Loans prior to any increase in the Applicable Margin applicable to such Term B Loans then outstanding;

(viii) (A) such Other Revolving Loans may participate on a pro rata basis or a less than pro rata basis (but not a greater than pro rata basis) than the Initial Revolving Loans in (x) any voluntary or mandatory prepayment or commitment reduction hereunder and (y) any Borrowing at the time such Borrowing is made and (B) such Other Term Loans may participate on a pro rata basis or a less than pro rata basis (but not a greater than pro rata basis) than the Term B Loans in any mandatory prepayment hereunder; and

(ix) (A) there shall be no obligor in respect of any Incremental Term Loan Commitments or Incremental Revolving Facility Commitments that is not a Loan Party and (B) there shall be no assets securing any Incremental Facilities that do not constitute Collateral.

Each party hereto hereby agrees that, upon the effectiveness of any Incremental Assumption Agreement, this Agreement shall be amended to the extent (but only to the extent) necessary to reflect the existence and terms of the Incremental Term Loan Commitments and/or Incremental Revolving Facility Commitments evidenced thereby as provided for in Section 9.08(e). Any amendment to this Agreement or any other Loan Document that is necessary to effect the provisions of this Section 2.21 and any such collateral and other documentation shall be deemed "Loan Documents" hereunder and may be memorialized in writing by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower and furnished to the other parties hereto.

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, no Incremental Term Loan Commitment or Incremental Revolving Facility Commitment shall become effective under this Section 2.21 unless (i) on the date of such effectiveness, the conditions set forth in clause (c) of Section 4.01 shall be satisfied and the Administrative Agent shall have received a certificate to that effect dated such date and executed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower (or, if such Incremental Term Loan Commitment or Incremental Revolving Facility Commitment is established for financing any Permitted Acquisition, New Project or any other acquisition or similar Investment that is permitted by this Agreement, no Event of Default under Section 7.01 (b), (c), (h) or (i) shall have occurred and be continuing or would result therefrom) and (ii) the Administrative Agent shall have received customary legal opinions, board resolutions and other customary closing certificates and documentation to the extent required by the relevant Incremental Assumption Agreement and, to the extent required by the Administrative Agent, consistent with those delivered on the Closing Date under Section 4.02 and such additional customary documents and filings (including amendments to the Mortgages and other Security Documents and title date-down and modification endorsements, which, in the case of such amendments and title date-down and modification endorsements, may be delivered on a post-closing basis to the extent permitted by the applicable Incremental Assumption Agreement) as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request to assure that the Incremental Term Loans and/or Revolving Facility Loans in respect of Incremental Revolving Facility Commitments are secured by the Collateral ratably with (or, to the extent set forth in the applicable Incremental Assumption Agreement, junior to) one or more Classes of then-existing Term Loans and Revolving Facility Loans.

- (d) Each of the parties hereto hereby agrees that the Administrative Agent may take any and all action as may be reasonably necessary to ensure that (i) all Incremental Term Loans (other than Other Term Loans of a different Class), when originally made, are included in each Borrowing of the outstanding applicable Class of Term Loans on a pro rata basis, and (ii) all Revolving Facility Loans in respect of Incremental Revolving Facility Commitments (other than Revolving Facility Loans of a different Class), when originally made, are included in each Borrowing of the applicable Class of outstanding Revolving Facility Loans on a pro rata basis. The Borrower agrees that Section 2.16 shall apply to any conversion of Eurocurrency Loans to ABR Loans reasonably required by the Administrative Agent to effect the foregoing.
- (e) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, including Section 2.18(c) (which provisions shall not be applicable to clauses (e) through (i) of this Section 2.21), pursuant to one or more offers made from time to time by the Borrower to all Lenders of any Class of Term Loans and/or Revolving Facility Commitments, on a pro rata basis (based, in the case of an offer to the Lenders under any Class of Term Loans, on the aggregate outstanding Term Loans of such Class and, in the case of an offer to the Lenders under any Revolving Facility, on the aggregate outstanding Revolving Facility Commitments under such Revolving Facility, as applicable) and on the same terms ("Pro Rata Extension Offers"), the Borrower is hereby permitted to consummate transactions with individual Lenders from time to time to extend the maturity date of such Lender's Loans and/or Commitments of such Class and to otherwise modify the terms of such Lender's Loans and/or Commitments of such Class pursuant to the terms of the relevant Pro Rata Extension Offer (including, without limitation, increasing the interest rate or fees payable in respect of such Lender's Loans and/or Commitments and/or modifying the amortization schedule in respect of such Lender's Loans). For the avoidance of doubt, the reference to "on the same terms" in the preceding sentence shall mean, (i) in the case of an offer to the Lenders under any Class of Term Loans, that all of the Term Loans of such Class are offered to be extended for the same amount of time and that the interest rate changes and fees payable with respect to such extension are the same and (ii) in the case of an offer to the Lenders under any Revolving Facility, that all of the Revolving Facility Commitments of such Facility are offered to be extended for the same amount of time and that the interest rate changes and fees payable with respect to such extension are the same. Any such extension (an "Extension") agreed to between the Borrower and any such Lender (an "Extending Lender") will be established under this Agreement by implementing an Incremental Term Loan for such Lender if such Lender is extending an existing Term Loan (such extended Term Loan, an "Extended Term Loan") or an Incremental Revolving Facility Commitment for such Lender if such Lender is extending an existing Revolving Facility Commitment (such extended Revolving Facility Commitment, an "Extended Revolving Facility Commitment" and any Revolving Facility Loans made thereunder, "Extended Revolving Loans"). Each Pro Rata Extension Offer shall specify the date on which the Borrower proposes that the Extended Term Loan shall be made or Extended Revolving Facility Commitment shall become effective, which shall be a date not earlier than five Business Days after the date on which notice is delivered to the Administrative Agent (or such shorter period agreed to by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion).
- (f) The Borrower and each Extending Lender shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent an Incremental Assumption Agreement and such other documentation as the Administrative Agent shall reasonably specify to evidence the Extended Term Loans and/or Extended Revolving Facility Commitments of such Extending Lender. Each Incremental Assumption Agreement shall specify the terms of the applicable Extended Term Loans and/or Extended Revolving Facility Commitments; provided, that (i) except as to interest rates, fees and any other pricing terms (which interest rates, fees and other pricing terms shall not be subject to the provisions set forth in Section 2.21(b)(vii)), and amortization, final maturity date and participation in prepayments and commitment reductions (which shall, subject to clauses (ii) and (iii) of this proviso, be determined by the Borrower and set forth in the Pro Rata Extension Offer), the Extended Term Loans shall have (x) the same terms as an existing Class of Term Loans or (y) such other terms as shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, (ii) the final maturity date of any Extended Term Loans shall be no earlier than

the latest Term Facility Maturity Date in effect on the date of incurrence, (iii) the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of any Extended Term Loans shall be no shorter than the remaining Weighted Average Life to Maturity of the Class of Term Loans to which such offer relates, (iv) except as to interest rates, fees, any other pricing terms, participation in mandatory prepayments and commitment reductions and final maturity (which shall be determined by the Borrower and set forth in the Pro Rata Extension Offer), any Extended Revolving Facility Commitment shall have (x) the same terms as an existing Class of Revolving Facility Commitments or (y) have such other terms as shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and, in respect of any other terms that would affect the rights or duties of any Issuing Bank, such terms as shall be reasonably satisfactory to such Issuing Bank, (v) any Extended Revolving Facility Commitments may participate on a pro rata basis or a less than pro rata basis (but not greater than a pro rata basis) than the Initial Revolving Loans in any voluntary or mandatory prepayment or commitment reduction hereunder and (vi) any Extended Term Loans may participate on a pro rata basis or a less than pro rata basis (but not a greater than pro rata basis) than the Term B Loans in any mandatory prepayment hereunder. Upon the effectiveness of any Incremental Assumption Agreement, this Agreement shall be amended to the extent (but only to the extent) necessary to reflect the existence and terms of the Extended Term Loans and/or Extended Revolving Facility Commitments evidenced thereby as provided for in Section 9.08(e). Any such deemed amendment may be memorialized in writing by the Administrative Agent with the Borrower's consent (not to be unreasonably withheld) and furnished to the other parties hereto. If provided in any Incremental Assumption Agreement with respect to any Extended Revolving Facility Commitments, and with the consent of each Issuing Bank, participations in Letters of Credit shall be reallocated to lenders holding such Extended Revolving Facility Commitments in the manner specified in such Incremental Assumption Agreement, including upon effectiveness of such Extended Revolving Facility Commitment or upon or prior to the maturity date for any Class of Revolving Facility Commitments.

- (g) Upon the effectiveness of any such Extension, the applicable Extending Lender's Term Loan will be automatically designated an Extended Term Loan and/or such Extending Lender's Revolving Facility Commitment will be automatically designated an Extended Revolving Facility Commitment. For purposes of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, (i) if such Extending Lender is extending a Term Loan, such Extending Lender will be deemed to have an Incremental Term Loan having the terms of such Extended Term Loan and (ii) if such Extending Lender is extending a Revolving Facility Commitment, such Extending Lender will be deemed to have an Incremental Revolving Facility Commitment having the terms of such Extended Revolving Facility Commitment.
- (h) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement or any other Loan Document (including, without limitation, this Section 2.21), (i) the aggregate amount of Extended Term Loans and Extended Revolving Facility Commitments will not be included in the calculation of the Incremental Amount, (ii) no Extended Term Loan or Extended Revolving Facility Commitment is required to be in any minimum amount or any minimum increment, (iii) any Extending Lender may extend all or any portion of its Term Loans and/or Revolving Facility Commitment pursuant to one or more Pro Rata Extension Offers (subject to applicable proration in the case of over participation) (including the extension of any Extended Term Loan and/or Extended Revolving Facility Commitment), (iv) there shall be no condition to any Extension of any Loan or Commitment at any time or from time to time other than notice to the Administrative Agent of such Extension and the terms of the Extended Term Loan or Extended Revolving Facility Commitment implemented thereby, (v) all Extended Term Loans, Extended Revolving Facility Commitments and all obligations in respect thereof shall be Loan Obligations of the relevant Loan Parties under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, (vi) no Issuing Bank shall be obligated to issue Letters of Credit under such Extended Revolving Facility Commitments unless it shall have consented thereto and (vii) there shall be no obligor in respect of any such Extended Term Loans or Extended Revolving Facility Commitments that is not a Loan Party.

- (i) Each Extension shall be consummated pursuant to procedures set forth in the associated Pro Rata Extension Offer; <u>provided</u>, that the Borrower shall cooperate with the Administrative Agent prior to making any Pro Rata Extension Offer to establish reasonable procedures with respect to mechanical provisions relating to such Extension, including, without limitation, timing, rounding and other adjustments.
- (j) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, including Section 2.18(c) (which provisions shall not be applicable to clauses (j) through (o) of this Section 2.21), the Borrower may by written notice to the Administrative Agent establish one or more additional tranches of term loans under this Agreement (such loans, "Refinancing Term Loans"), the net cash proceeds of which are used to Refinance in whole or in part any Class of Term Loans. Each such notice shall specify the date (each, a "Refinancing Effective Date") on which the Borrower proposes that the Refinancing Term Loans shall be made, which shall be a date not earlier than five Business Days after the date on which such notice is delivered to the Administrative Agent (or such shorter period agreed to by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion); provided, that:
  - (i) before and after giving effect to the borrowing of such Refinancing Term Loans on the Refinancing Effective Date each of the conditions set forth in Section 4.01 shall be satisfied to the extent required by the relevant Incremental Assumption Agreement governing such Refinancing Term Loans;
  - (ii) the final maturity date of the Refinancing Term Loans shall be no earlier than the Term Facility Maturity Date of the refinanced Term Loans;
  - (iii) the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of such Refinancing Term Loans shall be no shorter than the then-remaining Weighted Average Life to Maturity of the refinanced Term Loans;
  - (iv) the aggregate principal amount of the Refinancing Term Loans shall not exceed the outstanding principal amount of the refinanced Term Loans plus amounts used to pay fees, premiums, costs and expenses (including original issue discount) and accrued interest associated therewith:
  - (v) all other terms applicable to such Refinancing Term Loans (other than provisions relating to original issue discount, upfront fees, interest rates and any other pricing terms (which original issue discount, upfront fees, interest rates and other pricing terms shall not be subject to the provisions set forth in Section 2.21(b)(vii)) and optional prepayment or mandatory prepayment or redemption terms, which shall be as agreed between the Borrower and the Lenders providing such Refinancing Term Loans) taken as a whole shall either (A) reflect market terms and conditions (taken as a whole) at the time of incurrence, as determined by the Borrower in good faith or (B) be substantially similar to, or not materially less favorable to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries than, the terms, taken as a whole, applicable to the Term B Loans (except to the extent such covenants and other terms apply solely to any period after the Term B Facility Maturity Date or are otherwise reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, it being understood that, to the extent any financial maintenance covenant is added for the benefit of any Refinancing Term Loan, no consent shall be required from the Administrative Agent or any Lender if such financial maintenance covenant is also added for the benefit of all Facilities then outstanding), as determined by the Borrower in good faith;

(vi) with respect to Refinancing Term Loans secured by Liens on the Collateral that rank pari passu or junior in right of security to the Liens thereon securing the Term B Loans, such Liens will be subject to a Permitted Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement or Permitted Junior Intercreditor Agreement, as applicable; and

(vii) (A) there shall be no obligor in respect of such Refinancing Term Loans that is not a Loan Party and (B) there shall be no assets securing any Refinancing Term Loan that do not constitute Collateral.

In addition, notwithstanding the foregoing, the Borrower may establish Refinancing Term Loans to refinance and/or replace all or any portion of a Revolving Facility Commitment (regardless of whether Revolving Facility Loans are outstanding under such Revolving Facility Commitments at the time of incurrence of such Refinancing Term Loans), so long as (1) the aggregate amount of such Refinancing Term Loans does not exceed the aggregate amount of Revolving Facility Commitments terminated at the time of incurrence thereof, (2) if the Revolving Facility Credit Exposure outstanding on the Refinancing Effective Date would exceed the aggregate amount of Revolving Facility Commitments outstanding in each case after giving effect to the termination of such Revolving Facility Commitments, the Borrower shall take one or more actions such that such Revolving Facility Credit Exposure does not exceed such aggregate amount of Revolving Facility Commitments in effect on the Refinancing Effective Date after giving effect to the termination of such Revolving Facility Commitments (it being understood that (x) such Refinancing Term Loans may be provided by the Lenders holding the Revolving Facility Commitments being terminated and/or by any other person that would be a permitted Assignee hereunder and (y) the proceeds of such Refinancing Term Loans shall not constitute Net Proceeds hereunder), (3) the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of the Refinancing Term Loans (disregarding any customary amortization for this purpose) shall be no shorter than the remaining life to termination of the terminated Revolving Facility Commitments, (4) the final maturity date of the Refinancing Term Loans shall be no earlier than the termination date of the terminated Revolving Facility Commitments and (5) all other terms applicable to such Refinancing Term Loans (other than provisions relating to original issue discount, upfront fees, interest rates and any other pricing terms (which original issue discount, upfront fees, interest rates and other pricing terms shall not be subject to the provisions set forth in Section 2.21(b)(vii)) and optional prepayment or mandatory prepayment or redemption terms, which shall be as agreed between the Borrower and the Lenders providing such Refinancing Term Loans) taken as a whole shall either (A) reflect market terms and conditions (taken as a whole) at the time of incurrence, as determined by the Borrower in good faith or (B) be substantially similar to, or not materially less favorable to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries than, the terms, taken as a whole, applicable to the Term B Loans (except to the extent such covenants and other terms apply solely to any period after the Term B Facility Maturity Date or are otherwise reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, it being understood that, to the extent any financial maintenance covenant is added for the benefit of any Refinancing Term Loan, no consent shall be required from the Administrative Agent or any Lender if such financial maintenance covenant is also added for the benefit of all Facilities then outstanding), as determined by the Borrower in good faith.

(k) The Borrower may approach any Lender or any other person that would be a permitted Assignee pursuant to Section 9.04 to provide all or a portion of the Refinancing Term Loans; <u>provided</u>, that any Lender offered or approached to provide all or a portion of the Refinancing Term Loans may elect or decline, in its sole discretion, to provide a Refinancing Term Loan. Any Refinancing Term Loans made on any Refinancing Effective Date shall be designated an additional Class of Term Loans for all purposes of this Agreement; <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that any Refinancing Term Loans may, to the extent provided in the applicable Incremental Assumption Agreement governing such Refinancing Term Loans, be designated as an increase in any previously established Class of Term Loans made to the Borrower.

- (l) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, including Section 2.18(c) (which provisions shall not be applicable to clauses (l) through (o) of this Section 2.21), the Borrower may by written notice to the Administrative Agent establish one or more additional Facilities providing for revolving commitments ("Replacement Revolving Facilities" and the commitments thereunder, "Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments" and the revolving loans thereunder, "Replacement Revolving Loans"), which replace in whole or in part any Class of Revolving Facility Commitments under this Agreement. Each such notice shall specify the date (each, a "Replacement Revolving Facility Effective Date") on which the Borrower proposes that the Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments shall become effective, which shall be a date not less than five Business Days after the date on which such notice is delivered to the Administrative Agent (or such shorter period agreed to by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion); provided that:
  - (i) before and after giving effect to the establishment of such Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments on the Replacement Revolving Facility Effective Date, each of the conditions set forth in Section 4.01 shall be satisfied to the extent required by the relevant Incremental Assumption Agreement governing such Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments;
  - (ii) after giving effect to the establishment of any Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments and any concurrent reduction in the aggregate amount of any other Revolving Facility Commitments, the aggregate amount of Revolving Facility Commitments shall not exceed the aggregate amount of the Revolving Facility Commitments outstanding immediately prior to the applicable Replacement Revolving Facility Effective Date;
  - (iii) no Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments shall have a final maturity date (or require commitment reductions or amortizations) prior to the Revolving Facility Maturity Date in effect at the time of incurrence for the Revolving Facility Commitments being replaced,
  - (iv) all other terms applicable to such Replacement Revolving Facility (other than provisions relating to (x) fees, interest rates and other pricing terms and prepayment and commitment reduction and optional redemption terms which shall be as agreed between the Borrower and the Lenders providing such Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments and (y) the amount of any letter of credit sublimit under such Replacement Revolving Facility, which shall be as agreed between the Borrower, the Lenders providing such Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments, the Administrative Agent and the replacement issuing bank, if any, under such Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments) taken as a whole shall either (A) reflect market terms and conditions (taken as a whole) at the time of incurrence or establishment, as determined by the Borrower in good faith or (B) be substantially similar to, or not materially less favorable to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries than, the terms, taken as a whole, applicable to the Initial Revolving Loans (except to the extent such covenants and other terms apply solely to any period after the latest Revolving Facility Maturity Date in effect at the time of incurrence or are otherwise reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, it being understood that, to the extent any financial maintenance covenant is added for the benefit of any Replacement Revolving Facility, no consent shall be required from the Administrative Agent or any Lender if such financial maintenance covenant is also added for the benefit of the Initial Revolving Loan); and
  - (v) (A) there shall be no obligor in respect of such Replacement Revolving Facility that is not a Loan Party and (B) there shall be no assets securing any Replacement Revolving Facility that do not constitute Collateral.

In addition, the Borrower may establish Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments to refinance and/or replace all or any portion of a Term Loan hereunder (regardless of whether such Term Loan is repaid with the proceeds of Replacement Revolving Loans or otherwise), so long as the aggregate amount of such Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments does not exceed the aggregate amount of Term Loans repaid at the time of establishment thereof (it being understood that such Replacement Revolving Facility Commitment may be provided by the Lenders holding the Term Loans being repaid and/or by any other person that would be a permitted Assignee hereunder) so long as (1) before and after giving effect to the establishment such Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments on the Replacement Revolving Facility Effective Date each of the conditions set forth in Section 4.01 shall be satisfied to the extent required by the relevant agreement governing such Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments, (2) the remaining life to termination of such Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments shall be no shorter than the Weighted Average Life to Maturity then applicable to the refinanced Term Loans, (3) the final termination date of the Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments shall be no earlier than the Term Facility Maturity Date of the refinanced Term Loans, (4) with respect to Replacement Revolving Loans secured by Liens on Collateral that rank junior in right of security to the Initial Revolving Loans, such Liens will be subject to a Permitted Junior Intercreditor Agreement and (5) the requirement of clause (v) in the preceding sentence shall be satisfied mutatis mutandis. Solely to the extent that an Issuing Bank is not a replacement issuing bank under a Replacement Revolving Facility, it is understood and agreed that such Issuing Bank shall not be required to issue any letters of credit under such Replacement Revolving Facility and, to the extent it is necessary for such Issuing Bank to withdraw as an Issuing Bank at the time of the establishment of such Replacement Revolving Facility, such withdrawal shall be on terms and conditions reasonably satisfactory to such Issuing Bank in its sole discretion. The Borrower agrees to reimburse each Issuing Bank in full upon demand, for any reasonable and documented out-of-pocket cost or expense attributable to such withdrawal.

(m) The Borrower may approach any Lender or any other person that would be a permitted Assignee of a Revolving Facility Commitment pursuant to Section 9.04 to provide all or a portion of the Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments; <a href="mailto:provided">provided</a> that any Lender offered or approached to provide all or a portion of the Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments may elect or decline, in its sole discretion, to provide a Replacement Revolving Facility Commitment made on any Replacement Revolving Facility Effective Date shall be designated an additional Class of Revolving Facility Commitments for all purposes of this Agreement; <a href="provided">provided</a> that any Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments may, to the extent provided in the applicable Incremental Assumption Agreement, be designated as an increase in any previously established Class of Revolving Facility Commitments.

(n) On any Replacement Revolving Facility Effective Date, subject to the satisfaction of the foregoing terms and conditions, each of the Lenders with Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments of such Class shall purchase from each of the other Lenders with Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments of such Class, at the principal amount thereof and in the applicable currencies, such interests in the Replacement Revolving Loans and participations in Letters of Credit under such Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments of such Class then outstanding on such Replacement Revolving Facility Effective Date as shall be necessary in order that, after giving effect to all such assignments and purchases, the Replacement Revolving Loans and participations of such Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments of such Class will be held by the Lenders thereunder ratably in accordance with their Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments.

- (o) For purposes of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, (i) if a Lender is providing a Refinancing Term Loan, such Lender will be deemed to have an Incremental Term Loan having the terms of such Refinancing Term Loan and (ii) if a Lender is providing a Replacement Revolving Facility Commitment, such Lender will be deemed to have an Incremental Revolving Facility Commitment having the terms of such Replacement Revolving Facility Commitment. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement or any other Loan Document (including, without limitation, this Section 2.21), (i) the aggregate amount of Refinancing Term Loans and Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments will not be included in the calculation of the Incremental Amount, (ii) no Refinancing Term Loan or Replacement Revolving Facility Commitment is required to be in any minimum amount or any minimum increment, (iii) there shall be no condition to any incurrence of any Refinancing Term Loan or Replacement Revolving Facility Commitment at any time or from time to time other than those set forth in clauses (j) or (l) above, as applicable, and (iv) all Refinancing Term Loans, Replacement Revolving Facility Commitments and all obligations in respect thereof shall be Obligations under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents that are secured by the Collateral on a pari passu basis with all other Obligations under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents.
- (p) Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing to the contrary, (i) for the purpose of determining the number of outstanding Eurocurrency Borrowings upon the incurrence of any Incremental Loans, (x) to the extent the last date of Interest Periods for multiple Eurocurrency Borrowings under the Term Facilities fall on the same day, such Eurocurrency Borrowings shall be considered a single Eurocurrency Borrowing and (y) to the extent the last date of Interest Periods for multiple Eurocurrency Borrowings under the Revolving Facilities fall on the same day, such Eurocurrency Borrowings shall be considered a single Eurocurrency Borrowing and (ii) the initial Interest Period with respect to any Eurocurrency Borrowing of Incremental Loans may, at the Borrower's option, be of a duration of a number of Business Days that is less than one month, and the Adjusted LIBO Rate with respect to such initial Interest Period shall be the same as the Adjusted LIBO Rate applicable to any then-outstanding Eurocurrency Borrowing as the Borrower may direct, so long as the last day of such initial Interest Period is the same as the last day of the Interest Period with respect to such outstanding Eurocurrency Borrowing.

Section 2.22 <u>Defaulting Lender</u>. (a) *Defaulting Lender Adjustments*. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, if any Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender, then, until such time as such Lender is no longer a Defaulting Lender, to the extent permitted by applicable law:

- (i) Waivers and Amendments. Such Defaulting Lender's right to approve or disapprove any amendment, waiver or consent with respect to this Agreement shall be restricted as set forth in the definitions of "Required Lenders" or "Required Revolving Facility Lenders."
- (ii) *Defaulting Lender Waterfall*. Any payment of principal, interest, fees or other amounts received by the Administrative Agent for the account of such Defaulting Lender (whether voluntary or mandatory, at maturity, following an Event of Default or otherwise) or received by the Administrative Agent from a Defaulting Lender pursuant to Section 9.06 shall be applied at such time or times as may be determined by the Administrative Agent as follows: <u>first</u>, to the payment of any amounts owing by such Defaulting Lender to the Administrative Agent hereunder, <u>second</u>, to the payment on a pro rata basis of any amounts owing by such Defaulting Lender to any Issuing Bank hereunder, <u>third</u>, to Cash Collateralize the Issuing Banks' Fronting Exposure with respect to such Defaulting Lender in accordance with Section 2.05(j), <u>fourth</u>, 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 such Defaulting Lender has failed to fund its portion thereof as required by this Agreement, as determined by the Administrative Agent, <u>fifth</u>, if so determined by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, to be held in a deposit account and released pro rata in order to (x) satisfy such Defaulting Lender's potential future funding obligations with respect to Loans under this Agreement and (y) Cash Collateralize the Issuing Banks' future Fronting

Exposure with respect to such Defaulting Lender with respect to future Letters of Credit issued under this Agreement, in accordance with Section 2.05(j), <u>sixth</u>, to the payment of any amounts owing to the Lenders or the Issuing Banks as a result of any judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction obtained by any Lender or Issuing Bank against such Defaulting Lender as a result of such Defaulting Lender's breach of its obligations under this Agreement, <u>seventh</u>, 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 such Defaulting Lender as a result of such Defaulting Lender's breach of its obligations under this Agreement, and <u>eighth</u>, to such Defaulting Lender or as otherwise directed by a court of competent jurisdiction. 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 2.22 shall be deemed paid to and redirected by such Defaulting Lender, and each Lender irrevocably consents hereto.

- (iii) *Certain Fees*. (A) No Defaulting Lender shall be entitled to receive any Commitment Fee for any period during which that Lender is a Defaulting Lender.
- (B) Each Defaulting Lender shall be entitled to receive L/C Participation Fees for any period during which that Lender is a Defaulting Lender only to the extent allocable to its pro rata share of the stated amount of Letters of Credit for which it has provided Cash Collateral.
- (C) With respect to any Commitment Fee or L/C Participation Fee not required to be paid to any Defaulting Lender pursuant to clause (A) or (B) above, the Borrower shall (x) pay to each Non-Defaulting Lender that portion of any such fee otherwise payable to such Defaulting Lender with respect to such Defaulting Lender's participation in Letters of Credit that has been reallocated to such Non-Defaulting Lender pursuant to clause (iv) below, (y) pay to each Issuing Bank the amount of any such fee otherwise payable to such Defaulting Lender to the extent allocable to such Issuing Bank's Fronting Exposure to such Defaulting Lender, and (z) not be required to pay the remaining amount of any such fee.
  - (iv) Reallocation of Participations to Reduce Fronting Exposure. All or any part of such Defaulting Lender's participation in Letters of Credit shall be reallocated among the Non-Defaulting Lenders in accordance with their respective pro rata Commitments (calculated without regard to such Defaulting Lender's Commitment) but only to the extent that such reallocation does not cause the aggregate Revolving Facility Credit Exposure of any Non-Defaulting Lender to exceed such Non-Defaulting Lender's Revolving Facility Commitment. 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, within three (3) Business Days following the written request of (i) the Administrative Agent or (ii) any Issuing Bank (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), Cash Collateralize the Issuing Banks' Fronting Exposure in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 2.05(j).
- (b) *Defaulting Lender Cure*. If the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and each Issuing Bank agree in writing that a Lender is no longer 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), that Lender will, to the extent applicable, purchase at par that portion of outstanding Revolving Facility 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 pro rata by the Lenders in accordance with their Revolving Facility Commitments (without giving effect to Section 2.22(a)(iv)), whereupon such Lender will cease to be a Defaulting Lender; <u>provided</u> 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; <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, 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, the Issuing Banks shall not 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.

#### ARTICLE III

# Representations and Warranties

On the date of each Credit Event, the Borrower represents and warrants to each of the Lenders that:

Section 3.01 <u>Organization; Powers</u>. Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.01</u>, each of the Borrower and each of the Subsidiaries (a) is a partnership, limited liability company or corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing (or, if applicable in a foreign jurisdiction, enjoys the equivalent status under the laws of any jurisdiction of organization outside the United States of America) under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, (b) has all requisite power and authority to own its property and assets and to carry on its business as now conducted, (c) is qualified to do business in each jurisdiction where such qualification is required and (d) has the power and authority to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under each of the Loan Documents and each other agreement or instrument contemplated thereby to which it is or will be a party and, in the case of the Borrower, to borrow and otherwise obtain credit hereunder; except in each case of clauses (a) (other than with respect to the Borrower), (b) (other than with respect to the Borrower) and (c), to the extent that the failure to do so would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 3.02 <u>Authorization</u>. The execution, delivery and performance by the Borrower and each of the Subsidiary Loan Parties of each of the Loan Documents to which it is a party and the borrowings hereunder (a) have been duly authorized by all corporate, stockholder, partnership or limited liability company action required to be obtained by the Borrower and such Subsidiary Loan Parties and (b) will not (i) violate (A) any provision of law, statute, rule or regulation applicable to the Borrower or any such Subsidiary Loan Party, (B) the certificate or articles of incorporation or other constitutive documents (including any partnership, limited liability company or operating agreements) or by-laws of the Borrower, or any such Subsidiary Loan Party, (C) any applicable order of any court or any rule, regulation or order of any Governmental Authority applicable to the Borrower or any such Subsidiary Loan Party or (D) any provision of any indenture, certificate of designation for preferred stock, agreement or other instrument to which the Borrower or any such Subsidiary Loan Party is a party or by which any of them or any of their property is or may be bound, (ii) result in a breach of or constitute (alone or with due notice or lapse of time or both) a default under, give rise to a right of or result in any cancellation or acceleration of any right or obligation (including any payment) under any such indenture, certificate of designation for preferred stock, agreement or other instrument, where any such conflict, violation, breach or default referred to in clause (i) or (ii) of this Section 3.02(b), would reasonably be

expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect, or (iii) result in the creation or imposition of any Lien upon or with respect to any property or assets now owned or hereafter acquired by the Borrower or any such Subsidiary Loan Party, other than the Liens created by the Loan Documents and Permitted Liens, other than Liens created by the Loan Documents.

Section 3.03 Enforceability. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the Borrower and constitutes, and each other Loan Document when executed and delivered by the Borrower and each Subsidiary Loan Party that is party thereto will constitute, a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Loan Party enforceable against the Borrower and such Subsidiary Loan Party as applicable, in accordance with its terms, subject to (i) the effects of bankruptcy, insolvency, moratorium, reorganization, fraudulent conveyance or other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally, (ii) general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law), (iii) implied covenants of good faith and fair dealing and (iv) any foreign laws, rules and regulations as they relate to pledges of Equity Interests of Foreign Subsidiaries that are not Loan Parties.

Section 3.04 <u>Governmental Approvals</u>. No action, consent or approval of, registration or filing with or any other action by any Governmental Authority is or will be required for the execution, delivery or performance of each Loan Document to which the Borrower or any Subsidiary Loan Party is a party, except for (a) the filing of Uniform Commercial Code financing statements, (b) filings with the United States Patent and Trademark Office and the United States Copyright Office, (c) recordation of the Mortgages (if any), (d) such as have been made or obtained and are in full force and effect, (e) such actions, consents and approvals the failure of which to be obtained or made would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect and (f) filings or other actions listed on <u>Schedule 3.04</u> and any other filings or registrations required by the Security Documents.

Section 3.05 <u>Financial Statements</u>. (a) The audited consolidated balance sheets as of September 30, 2017 and September 30, 2018 and the statements of operations, changes in equity and cash flows for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2016, September 30, 2017 and September 30, 2018 for the Borrower and its consolidated subsidiaries, and (b) the unaudited consolidated balance sheet and statement of operations, changes in equity and cash flows as of and for the nine (9) month period ended June 30, 2019 for the Borrower and its consolidated subsidiaries, including the notes thereto, if applicable, present fairly in all material respects the consolidated financial position of the Borrower and its consolidated subsidiaries as of the dates and for the periods referred to therein and the results of operations and, if applicable, cash flows for the periods then ended, and, except as set forth on Schedule 3.05, were prepared in accordance with GAAP applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods covered thereby, except, in the case of interim period financial statements, for the absence of notes and for normal year-end adjustments and except as otherwise noted therein.

Section 3.06 No Material Adverse Effect. Since the Closing Date, there has been no event or circumstance that, individually or in the aggregate with other events or circumstances, has had or would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 3.07 <u>Title to Properties; Possession Under Leases</u>. (a) Each of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries has good and marketable title in fee simple or equivalent to, or easements or valid leasehold interests in, or other limited property interests in, all its Real Properties (including all Mortgaged Properties) and has valid title to its personal property and assets, in each case, except for Permitted Liens and except for defects in title that do not materially interfere with its ability to conduct its business as currently conducted or to utilize such properties and assets for their intended purposes and except where the failure to have such title would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect. All such properties and assets are free and clear of Liens, other than Permitted Liens or Liens arising by operation of law.

- (b) The Borrower and each of the Subsidiaries has complied with all material obligations under all leases to which it is a party, except where the failure to comply would not reasonably be expected to have Material Adverse Effect, and all such leases are in full force and effect, except leases in respect of which the failure to be in full force and effect would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (c) As of the Closing Date, none of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries has received any written notice of any pending or contemplated condemnation proceeding affecting any material portion of the Mortgaged Properties or any sale or disposition thereof in lieu of condemnation that remains unresolved as of the Closing Date, except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.07(c)</u>.
- (d) As of the Closing Date, none of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries is obligated under any right of first refusal, option or other contractual right to sell, assign or otherwise dispose of any Mortgaged Property or any interest therein, except as permitted under Section 6.02 or 6.05 or as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
  - (e) Schedule 1.01(E) lists each Material Real Property owned by any Loan Party as of the Closing Date.

Section 3.08 <u>Subsidiaries</u>. (a) <u>Schedule 3.08(a)</u> sets forth as of the Closing Date the name and jurisdiction of incorporation, formation or organization of each Subsidiary of the Borrower and, as to each such Subsidiary, the percentage of each class of Equity Interests owned by the Borrower or by any such Subsidiary.

(b) As of the Closing Date, after giving effect to the Transactions, there are no outstanding subscriptions, options, warrants, calls, rights or other agreements or commitments (other than stock options granted to employees or directors (or entities controlled by directors) and shares held by directors (or entities controlled by directors)) relating to any Equity Interests of any of the Subsidiaries, except as set forth on <a href="Schedule 3.08(b)">Schedule 3.08(b)</a>.

Section 3.09 <u>Litigation; Compliance with Laws</u>. (a) There are no actions, suits or proceedings at law or in equity or by or on behalf of any Governmental Authority or in arbitration now pending, or, to the knowledge of the Borrower, threatened in writing against the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries or any business, property or rights of any such person (including those that involve any Loan Document) that would reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect, except for any action, suit or proceeding at law or in equity or by or on behalf of any Governmental Authority or in arbitration which has been disclosed in any of Nuance's public filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission prior to the Closing Date or which arises out of the same facts and circumstances, and alleges substantially the same complaints and damages, as any action, suit or proceeding so disclosed and in which there has been no material adverse change since the date of such disclosure.

(b) None of the Borrower, the Subsidiaries and their respective properties or assets is in violation of (nor will the continued operation of their material properties and assets as currently conducted violate) any law, rule or regulation (including any zoning, building, ordinance, code or approval or any building permit, but excluding any Environmental Laws, which are the subject of Section 3.16) or any restriction of record or agreement affecting any Mortgaged Property, or is in default with respect to any judgment, writ, injunction or decree of any Governmental Authority, where such violation or default would reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 3.10 <u>Federal Reserve Regulations</u>. Neither the making of any Loan (or the extension of any Letter of Credit) hereunder nor the use of the proceeds thereof will violate the provisions of Regulation T, Regulation U or Regulation X of the Board.

Section 3.11 <u>Investment Company Act</u>. None of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries is required to be registered as an "investment company" within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

Section 3.12 <u>Use of Proceeds</u>. (a) The Borrower will use the proceeds of the Revolving Facility Loans, and may request the issuance of Letters of Credit, solely for general corporate purposes (including, without limitation, for the Transactions, Permitted Acquisitions, New Projects, Capital Expenditures and Transaction Expenses and, in the case of Letters of Credit, for the back-up or replacement of existing letters of credit); <u>provided</u> the amount of Revolving Facility Loans incurred on the Closing Date shall not exceed the sum of (i) the amount required to fund original issue discount or upfront fees in respect of Indebtedness incurred on the Closing Date in connection with the Transactions and (ii) the amount required to fund any ordinary course working capital requirements of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on the Closing Date and (b) the Borrower will use the proceeds of the Term B Loans made on the Closing Date to finance a portion of the Transactions (including the Nuance Transfer) and for the payment of Transaction Expenses.

### Section 3.13 <u>Tax Returns</u>. Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.13</u>:

- (a) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, the Borrower and each of the Subsidiaries has filed or caused to be filed all federal, state, local and non-U.S. Tax returns required to have been filed by it (including in its capacity as withholding agent) and each such Tax return is true and correct;
- (b) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, the Borrower and each of the Subsidiaries has timely paid or caused to be timely paid all Taxes shown to be due and payable by it on the returns referred to in clause (a) and all other Taxes or assessments (or made adequate provision (in accordance with GAAP) for the payment of all Taxes due), except Taxes or assessments that are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings in accordance with Section 5.03 and for which the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries (as the case may be) has set aside on its books adequate reserves in accordance with GAAP; and
- (c) Other than as would not be, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, as of the Closing Date, with respect to the Borrower and each of the Subsidiaries, there are no claims being asserted in writing with respect to any Taxes.

Section 3.14 No Material Misstatements. (a) All written factual information (other than the Projections, forward looking information and information of a general economic nature or general industry nature) (the "Information") concerning the Borrower, the Subsidiaries, the Transactions and any other transactions contemplated hereby included in the Lender Presentation or otherwise prepared by or on behalf of the foregoing or their representatives and made available to any Lenders or the Administrative Agent in connection with the Transactions or the other transactions contemplated hereby, when taken as a whole, was true and correct in all material respects, as of the date such Information was furnished to the Lenders and as of the Closing Date and did not, taken as a whole, contain any untrue statement of a material fact as of any such date or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements contained therein, taken as a whole, not materially misleading in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made (giving effect to all supplements and updates provided thereto).

(b) The Projections and other forward looking information and information of a general economic nature prepared by or on behalf of the Borrower or any of its representatives and that have been made available to any Lenders or the Administrative Agent in connection with the Transactions or the other transactions contemplated hereby have been prepared in good faith based upon assumptions believed by the Borrower to be reasonable as of the date thereof (it being understood that such Projections are as to future events and are not to be viewed as facts, such Projections are subject to significant uncertainties and contingencies and that actual results during the period or periods covered by any such Projections may differ significantly from the projected results, and that no assurance can be given that the projected results will be realized), as of the date such Projections and information were furnished to the Lenders.

Section 3.15 Employee Benefit Plans. Except as would not reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect: (i) no Reportable Event has occurred during the past five years as to which the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or any ERISA Affiliate was required to file a report with the PBGC; (ii) no ERISA Event has occurred or is reasonably expected to occur; and (iii) none of the Borrower, the Subsidiaries or any of their ERISA Affiliates has received any written notification that any Multiemployer Plan has been terminated within the meaning of Title IV of ERISA.

Section 3.16 Environmental Matters. Except as to matters that would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect: (i) no written notice, request for information, order, complaint or penalty has been received by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, and there are no judicial, administrative or other actions, suits or proceedings pending or, to the Borrower's knowledge, threatened which allege a violation of or liability under any Environmental Laws, in each case relating to the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, (ii) each of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries has all environmental permits, licenses and other approvals necessary for its operations to comply with all Environmental Laws ("Environmental Permits") and is in compliance with the terms of such Environmental Permits and with all other Environmental Laws, (iii) no Hazardous Material is located at, on or under any property currently or, to the Borrower's knowledge, formerly owned, operated or leased by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries that would reasonably be expected to give rise to any cost, liability or obligation of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries under any Environmental Laws or Environmental Permits, and no Hazardous Material has been generated, used, treated, stored, handled, disposed of or controlled, transported or Released at any location in a manner that would reasonably be expected to give rise to any cost, liability or obligation of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries under any Environmental Laws or Environmental Permits, (iv) there are no agreements in which the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries has expressly assumed or undertaken responsibility for any known or reasonably likely liability or obligation of any other person arising under or relating to Environmental Laws, which in any such case has not been made available to the Administrative Agent prior to the Closing Date, and (v) there has been no material written environmental assessment or audit conducted (other than customary assessments not revealing anything that would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect), by or on behalf of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries of any property currently or, to the Borrower's knowledge, formerly owned or leased by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries that has not been made available to the Administrative Agent prior to the Closing Date.

Section 3.17 <u>Security Documents</u>. (a) The Collateral Agreement is effective to create in favor of the Collateral Agent (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) a legal, valid and enforceable security interest in the Collateral described therein and proceeds thereof. As of the Closing Date, in the case of the Pledged Collateral described in the Collateral Agreement, when certificates or promissory notes, as applicable, representing such Pledged Collateral and required to be delivered under the applicable Security Document are delivered to the Collateral Agent, and in the case of the other Collateral described in the Collateral Agreement (other than the Intellectual Property), when financing statements

and other filings specified in the Perfection Certificate are filed in the offices specified in the Perfection Certificate, the Collateral Agent (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) shall have a fully perfected Lien on, and security interest in, all right, title and interest of the Loan Parties in such Collateral and, subject to Section 9-315 of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, the proceeds thereof, as security for the Obligations to the extent perfection can be obtained by filing Uniform Commercial Code financing statements, in each case prior and superior in right to the Lien of any other person (except Permitted Liens).

- (b) When the Collateral Agreement or an ancillary document thereunder is properly filed and recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office and the United States Copyright Office, and, with respect to Collateral in which a security interest cannot be perfected by such filings, upon the proper filing of the financing statements referred to in clause (a) above, the Collateral Agent (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) shall have a fully perfected (subject to exceptions arising from defects in the chain of title, which defects in the aggregate do not constitute a Material Adverse Effect hereunder) Lien on, and security interest in, all right, title and interest of the Loan Parties thereunder in the United States Intellectual Property included in the Collateral (but, in the case of the United States registered copyrights included in the Collateral, only to the extent such United States registered copyrights are listed in such ancillary document filed with the United States Copyright Office) listed in such ancillary document, in each case prior and superior in right to the Lien of any other person, except for Permitted Liens (it being understood that subsequent recordings in the United States Patent and Trademark Office and the United States Copyright Office may be necessary to perfect a Lien on registered trademarks and patents, trademark and patent applications and registered copyrights acquired by the Loan Parties after the Closing Date).
- (c) The Mortgages executed and delivered after the Closing Date pursuant to the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement and Section 5.10 shall be effective to create in favor of the Collateral Agent (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) legal, valid and enforceable Liens on all of the Loan Parties' rights, titles and interests in and to the Mortgaged Property thereunder and the proceeds thereof, and when such Mortgages are filed or recorded in the proper real estate filing or recording offices, and all relevant mortgage taxes and recording charges are duly paid, the Collateral Agent (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) shall have valid Liens with record notice to third parties on, and security interests in, all rights, titles and interests of the Loan Parties in such Mortgaged Property and, to the extent applicable, subject to Section 9-315 of the Uniform Commercial Code, the proceeds thereof, in each case prior and superior in right to the Lien of any other person, except for Permitted Liens; provided, that the representations contained in this Section 3.17(c) shall not apply with respect to the perfection of Mortgaged Property which does not constitute real property.
- (d) Notwithstanding anything herein (including this Section 3.17) or in any other Loan Document to the contrary, no Borrower or any other Loan Party makes any representation or warranty as to the effects of perfection or non-perfection, the priority or the enforceability of any pledge of or security interest in any Equity Interests of any Foreign Subsidiary, or as to the rights and remedies of the Agents or any Lender with respect thereto, under foreign law.

Section 3.18 <u>Location of Real Property</u>. The Perfection Certificate lists correctly, in all material respects, as of the Closing Date all Material Real Property owned by the Borrower and the Subsidiary Loan Parties and the addresses thereof. As of the Closing Date, the Borrower and the Subsidiary Loan Parties own in fee all the Material Real Property set forth as being owned by them in the Perfection Certificate except to the extent set forth therein.

Section 3.19 <u>Solvency</u>. (a) The fair value of the assets of the Borrower and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, at a fair valuation, will exceed the debts and liabilities, direct, subordinated, contingent or otherwise, of the Borrower and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis; (ii) the present fair saleable value of the property of the Borrower and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis will be greater than the amount that will be required to pay the probable liability of the Borrower and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis on their debts and other liabilities, direct, subordinated, contingent or otherwise, as such debts and liabilities on a consolidated basis will be able to pay their debts and liabilities, direct, subordinated, contingent or otherwise, as such debts and liabilities become absolute and matured; and (iv) the Borrower and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis will not have unreasonably small capital with which to conduct the businesses in which they are engaged as such businesses are now conducted and are proposed to be conducted following the Closing Date.

(b) The Borrower does not intend to, and the Borrower does not believe that it or any of its subsidiaries will, incur debts beyond its ability to pay such debts as they mature, taking into account the timing and amounts of cash to be received by it or any such subsidiary and the timing and amounts of cash to be payable on or in respect of its Indebtedness or the Indebtedness of any such subsidiary.

Section 3.20 <u>Labor Matters</u>. Except as, individually or in the aggregate, would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect: (a) there are no strikes or other labor disputes pending or threatened against the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries; (b) the hours worked and payments made to employees of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries have not been in violation of the Fair Labor Standards Act or any other applicable law dealing with such matters; and (c) all payments due from the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries or for which any claim may be made against the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries, on account of wages and employee health and welfare insurance and other benefits have been paid or accrued as a liability on the books of the Borrower or such Subsidiary to the extent required by GAAP. Except as, individually or in the aggregate, would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, the consummation of the Transactions will not give rise to a right of termination or right of renegotiation on the part of any union under any material collective bargaining agreement to which the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries (or any predecessor) is a party or by which the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries (or any predecessor) is bound.

Section 3.21 <u>Insurance</u>. <u>Schedule 3.21</u> sets forth a true, complete and correct description, in all material respects, of all material insurance (excluding any title insurance) maintained by or on behalf of the Borrower or the Subsidiaries as of the Closing Date. As of such date, such insurance is in full force and effect.

Section 3.22 No Default. No Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would result from the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or any other Loan Document.

Section 3.23 Intellectual Property; Licenses, Etc. Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect or as set forth in Schedule 3.23, (a) the Borrower and each of its Subsidiaries owns, or possesses the right to use, all Intellectual Property used or held for use in or otherwise reasonably necessary for the present conduct of their respective businesses, (b) to the knowledge of the Borrower, the Borrower and its Subsidiaries are not materially interfering with, infringing upon, misappropriating or otherwise violating Intellectual Property of any person, and (c) (i) to the knowledge of the Borrower, no material claim or litigation regarding any of the Intellectual Property owned by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries is pending or threatened in writing and (ii) to the knowledge of the Borrower, no material claim or litigation regarding any other Intellectual Property described in the foregoing clauses (a) and (b) is pending or threatened.

Section 3.24 <u>Senior Debt</u>. The Loan Obligations constitute "Senior Debt" (or the equivalent thereof) under the documentation governing any Material Indebtedness of any Loan Party permitted to be incurred hereunder constituting Indebtedness that is subordinated in right of payment to the Loan Obligations.

#### Section 3.25 USA PATRIOT Act; OFAC.

- (a) The Borrower and each Subsidiary Loan Party is in compliance in all material respects with the material provisions of the USA PATRIOT Act, and, (i) at least three Business Days prior to the Closing Date, the Borrower has provided to the Administrative Agent all information related to the Loan Parties (including names, addresses and tax identification numbers (if applicable)) reasonably requested in writing by the Administrative Agent not less than ten (10) Business Days prior to the Closing Date and mutually agreed to be required under "know your customer" and anti-money laundering rules and regulations, including the USA PATRIOT Act, to be obtained by the Administrative Agent or any Lender and (ii) at least three Business Days prior to the Closing Date, the Borrower, to the extent the Borrower qualifies as a "legal entity customer" under the Beneficial Ownership Regulation, has provided to each Lender that has requested, in a written notice to the Borrower not less than ten Business Days prior to the Closing Date, a Beneficial Ownership Certification in relation to the Borrower.
- (b) None of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries nor, to the knowledge of the Borrower, any director, officer, agent, employee or Affiliate of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries is currently (i) the target of any sanctions administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Treasury Department ("OFAC"), the U.S. State Department, the European Union or relevant member states of the European Union, the United Nations Security Council, Her Majesty's Treasury or Canada ("Sanctions"), (ii) organized or resident in a country, region or territory which is the target of comprehensive Sanctions (as of the date of this Agreement, Iran, Syria, Cuba, North Korea, Crimea and Venezuela), or (iii) owned or controlled by any such person described in the foregoing clauses (i) and (ii). The Borrower and its Subsidiaries have conducted their business in compliance in all material respects with all applicable Sanctions and have instituted and maintained policies and procedures reasonably designed to promote and achieve compliance with such Sanctions.
- (c) The Borrower will not directly or indirectly use the proceeds of the Loans or the Letters of Credit or otherwise make available such proceeds to any person, for the purpose of financing the activities of any person that is currently the target of any Sanctions or for the purpose of funding, financing or facilitating any activities, business or transaction with or in any country that is the target of Sanctions, to the extent such activities, businesses or transaction would be prohibited by sanctions laws and regulations administered by the United States, including OFAC and the U.S. State Department, the United Nations Security Council, Her Majesty's Treasury, the European Union or relevant member states of the European Union, or Canada (collectively, the "Sanctions Laws"), or in any manner that would result in the violation of any Sanctions Laws applicable to any party hereto.
- (d) As of the Closing Date, the information included in the Beneficial Ownership Certification, if applicable, is true and correct in all respects.

## Section 3.26 Foreign Corrupt Practices Act.

(a) The Borrower and its Subsidiaries, and, to the knowledge of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, their directors, officers, agents or employees, are in compliance with the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 or similar anti-corruption law of a jurisdiction in which the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries conduct their business or to which they are lawfully subject ("Anti-Corruption Laws"), in each case, in all material respects. The Borrower and its Subsidiaries have instituted and maintained policies and procedures reasonably designed to promote and achieve compliance with such Anti-Corruption Laws.

(b) No part of the proceeds of the Loans or Letters of Credit made hereunder will be used to make any unlawful bribe, rebate, payoff, influence payment, kickback or other unlawful payment or will violate any Anti-Corruption Laws.

#### ARTICLE IV

### Conditions of Lending

The obligations of (a) the Lenders to make Loans and (b) any Issuing Bank to issue, amend, extend or renew Letters of Credit or increase the stated amounts of Letters of Credit hereunder (each, a "Credit Event") are subject to the satisfaction (or waiver in accordance with Section 9.08) of the following conditions:

Section 4.01 <u>All Credit Events</u>. On the date of each Borrowing and on the date of each issuance, amendment, extension or renewal of a Letter of Credit (in each case, other than pursuant to an Incremental Assumption Agreement):

- (a) The Administrative Agent shall have received, in the case of a Borrowing, a Borrowing Request as required by Section 2.03 (or a Borrowing Request shall have been deemed given in accordance with the last paragraph of Section 2.03) or, in the case of the issuance of a Letter of Credit, the applicable Issuing Bank and the Administrative Agent shall have received a notice requesting the issuance of such Letter of Credit as required by Section 2.05(b).
- (b) The representations and warranties set forth in the Loan Documents shall be true and correct in all material respects as of such date, in each case, with the same effect as though made on and as of such date, except to the extent such representations and warranties expressly relate to an earlier date (in which case such representations and warranties shall be true and correct in all material respects as of such earlier date).
- (c) At the time of and immediately after each Borrowing or issuance, amendment, extension or renewal of a Letter of Credit (other than an amendment, extension or renewal of a Letter of Credit without any increase in the stated amount of such Letter of Credit), as applicable, no Event of Default or Default shall have occurred and be continuing.
- (d) Each Borrowing and other Credit Event that occurs after the Closing Date shall be deemed to constitute a representation and warranty by the Borrower on the date of such Borrowing, issuance, amendment, extension or renewal as applicable, as to the matters specified in paragraphs (b), (c) and (e) of this Section 4.01.
- (e) At the time of and immediately after giving effect to each Borrowing and the use of proceeds thereof, the amount of Unrestricted Cash does not exceed \$85,000,000.

# Section 4.02 First Credit Event. On or prior to the Closing Date:

(a) The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received from each of the Borrower, the Issuing Banks and the Lenders (i) a counterpart of this Agreement signed on behalf of such party or (ii) written evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (which may include delivery of a signed signature page of this Agreement by electronic transmission (e.g., "pdf")) that such party has signed a counterpart of this Agreement.

- (b) The Administrative Agent shall have received, on behalf of itself, the Lenders and each Issuing Bank, a written opinion of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP, as special counsel for the Loan Parties (A) dated the Closing Date, (B) addressed to each Issuing Bank, the Administrative Agent and the Lenders on the Closing Date and (C) in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent covering such matters relating to the Loan Documents as the Administrative Agent shall reasonably request.
- (c) The Administrative Agent shall have received a certificate of the Secretary or Assistant Secretary or similar officer of each Loan Party dated the Closing Date and certifying:
  - (i) a copy of the certificate or articles of incorporation, certificate of limited partnership, certificate of formation or other equivalent constituent and governing documents, including all amendments thereto, of such Loan Party, (1) in the case of a corporation, certified as of a recent date by the Secretary of State (or other similar official) of the jurisdiction of its organization, or (2) otherwise certified by the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of such Loan Party or other person duly authorized by the constituent documents of such Loan Party,
  - (ii) a certificate as to the good standing (to the extent such concept or a similar concept exists under the laws of such jurisdiction) of such Loan Party as of a recent date from such Secretary of State (or other similar official),
  - (iii) that attached thereto is a true and complete copy of the by-laws (or partnership agreement, limited liability company agreement or other equivalent constituent and governing documents) of such Loan Party as in effect on the Closing Date and at all times since a date prior to the date of the resolutions described in clause (iv) below,
  - (iv) that attached thereto is a true and complete copy of resolutions duly adopted by the Board of Directors (or equivalent governing body) of such Loan Party (or its managing general partner or managing member) authorizing the execution, delivery and performance of the Loan Documents dated as of the Closing Date to which such person is a party and, in the case of the Borrower, the borrowings hereunder, and that such resolutions have not been modified, rescinded or amended and are in full force and effect on the Closing Date,
  - (v) as to the incumbency and specimen signature of each officer executing any Loan Document or any other document delivered in connection herewith on behalf of such Loan Party, and
  - (vi) as to the absence of any pending proceeding for the dissolution or liquidation of such Loan Party or, to the knowledge of such person, threatening the existence of such Loan Party.
- (d) The Administrative Agent shall have received a completed Perfection Certificate, dated the Closing Date and signed by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower, together with all attachments contemplated thereby, and the results of a search of the Uniform Commercial Code (or equivalent), tax and judgment filings made with respect to the Loan Parties in the jurisdictions contemplated by the Perfection Certificate and copies of the financing statements (or similar documents) disclosed by such search and evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent that the Liens indicated by such financing statements (or similar documents) are Permitted Liens or have been, or will be simultaneously or substantially concurrently with the closing under this Agreement, released (or arrangements reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent for such release shall have been made).

- (e) The Administrative Agent shall have received the financial statements referred to in Section 3.05.
- (f) The Lenders shall have received a solvency certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit C and signed by a Financial Officer of the Borrower confirming the solvency of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis after giving effect to the Transactions on the Closing Date.
- (g) The Agents shall have received all fees payable thereto or to any Lender on or prior to the Closing Date and, to the extent invoiced at least three Business Days prior to the Closing Date, reimbursement or payment of all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses (including reasonable fees, charges and disbursements of Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP) required to be reimbursed or paid by the Loan Parties hereunder or under any Loan Document on or prior to the Closing Date (which amounts may be offset against the proceeds of the Loans).
- (h) Except as set forth in <u>Schedule 5.12</u> (which, for the avoidance of doubt, shall override the applicable clauses of the definition of "Collateral and Guarantee Requirement") and subject to the grace periods and post-closing periods set forth in such definition, the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement shall be satisfied (or waived) as of the Closing Date.
- (i) The Administrative Agent shall have received all documentation and other information required by Section 3.25(a), to the extent such information has been requested not less than ten (10) Business Days prior to the Closing Date. On or prior to the Closing Date, any Loan Party that qualifies as a "legal entity customer" under the Beneficial Ownership Regulation shall have delivered, to each Lender that so requests at least five Business Days prior to the Closing Date, a Beneficial Ownership Regulation Certification in relation to such Loan Party.
- (j) The Borrower shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent a certificate dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect set forth in Sections 4.01(b) and (c) hereof.
- (k) On the Closing Date, after giving effect to the Transactions and the other transactions contemplated hereby, none of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries shall have any third party Indebtedness of the type described in clause (a) of the definition thereof other than (i) the Loans and other extensions of credit under this Agreement (including the Existing Roll-Over Letters of Credit, which shall be deemed to be Letters of Credit issued under and subject to this Agreement), other Indebtedness permitted to be incurred or outstanding on or prior to the Closing Date, (iii) other Indebtedness incurred for capital expenditures or working capital purposes and (iv) other Indebtedness permitted under Section 6.01 or approved by the Arrangers in their reasonable discretion.

For purposes of determining compliance with the conditions specified in Section 4.01 and this Section 4.02, each Lender 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 the Lenders unless an officer of the Administrative Agent responsible for the transactions contemplated by the Loan Documents shall have received notice from such Lender prior to the Closing Date specifying its objection thereto and, in the case of a Borrowing, such Lender shall not have made available to the Administrative Agent such Lender's ratable portion of the initial Borrowing.

#### ARTICLE V

#### **Affirmative Covenants**

The Borrower covenants and agrees with each Lender that, until the Termination Date, unless the Required Lenders shall otherwise consent in writing, the Borrower will, and will cause each of the Subsidiaries to:

Section 5.01 Existence; Business and Properties. (a) Do or cause to be done all things necessary to preserve, renew and keep in full force and effect its legal existence, except, in the case of a Subsidiary of the Borrower, where the failure to do so would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, and except as otherwise permitted under Section 6.05, and except for the liquidation or dissolution of Subsidiaries if the assets of such Subsidiaries to the extent they exceed estimated liabilities are acquired by the Borrower or a Wholly Owned Subsidiary of the Borrower in such liquidation or dissolution; provided, that Subsidiary Loan Parties may not be liquidated into Subsidiaries that are not Loan Parties and Domestic Subsidiaries may not be liquidated into Foreign Subsidiaries (except in each case as permitted under Section 6.05).

(b) Except where the failure to do so would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, do or cause to be done all things necessary to (i) lawfully obtain, preserve, renew, extend and keep in full force and effect the permits, franchises, authorizations, Intellectual Property, licenses and rights with respect thereto necessary to the normal conduct of its business, and (ii) at all times maintain, protect and preserve all property necessary to the normal conduct of its business and keep such property in good repair, working order and condition (ordinary wear and tear excepted), from time to time make, or cause to be made, all needful and proper repairs, renewals, additions, improvements and replacements thereto necessary in order that the business carried on in connection therewith, if any, may be properly conducted at all times (in each case except as permitted by this Agreement).

Section 5.02 <u>Insurance</u>. (a) Maintain, with financially sound and reputable insurance companies, insurance (subject to customary deductibles and retentions) in such amounts and against such risks as are customarily maintained by similarly situated companies engaged in the same or similar businesses operating in the same or similar locations, cause the Collateral Agent to be listed as a co-loss payee on property and casualty policies and as an additional insured on liability policies. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Borrower and the Subsidiaries may self-insure with respect to such risks with respect to which companies of established reputation engaged in the same general line of business in the same general area usually self-insure.

(b) Except as the Administrative Agent may agree in its reasonable discretion, cause all such property and casualty insurance policies to be endorsed or otherwise amended to include a "standard" or "New York" lender's loss payable endorsement, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent; cause each such policy covered by this clause (b) to provide that it shall not be cancelled or not renewed upon less than 30 days' prior written notice thereof by the insurer to the Collateral Agent; deliver to the Collateral Agent, prior to or concurrently with the cancellation or nonrenewal of any such policy of insurance covered by this clause (b), a copy of a renewal or replacement policy (or other evidence of renewal of a policy previously delivered to the Collateral Agent), or insurance certificate with respect thereto, together with evidence satisfactory to the Administrative Agent of payment of the premium therefor, in each case of the foregoing, to the extent customarily maintained, purchased or provided to, or at the request of, lenders by similarly situated companies in connection with credit facilities of this nature.

- (c) If any portion of any Mortgaged Property is at any time located in an area identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (or any successor agency) as a special flood hazard area (each a "Special Flood Hazard Area") with respect to which flood insurance has been made available under the Flood Insurance Laws, (i) maintain, or cause to be maintained, with a financially sound and reputable insurer, flood insurance in an amount and otherwise sufficient to comply with all applicable rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to the Flood Insurance Laws and (ii) deliver to the Collateral Agent evidence of such compliance in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, including a copy of the flood insurance policy and declaration page relating thereto.
  - (d) In connection with the covenants set forth in this Section 5.02, it is understood and agreed that:
  - (i) the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent, the Lenders, the Issuing Banks and their respective agents or employees shall not be liable for any loss or damage insured by the insurance policies required to be maintained under this Section 5.02, it being understood that (A) the Loan Parties shall look solely to their insurance companies or any other parties other than the aforesaid parties for the recovery of such loss or damage and (B) such insurance companies shall have no rights of subrogation against the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent, the Lenders, any Issuing Bank or their agents or employees. If, however, the insurance policies, as a matter of the internal policy of such insurer, do not provide waiver of subrogation rights against such parties, as required above, then the Borrower, on behalf of itself and behalf of each of its Subsidiaries, hereby agrees, to the extent permitted by law, to waive, and further agrees to cause each of their Subsidiaries to waive, its right of recovery, if any, against the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent, the Lenders, any Issuing Bank and their agents and employees;
  - (ii) the designation of any form, type or amount of insurance coverage by the Collateral Agent (including acting in the capacity as the Collateral Agent) under this Section 5.02 shall in no event be deemed a representation, warranty or advice by the Collateral Agent or the Lenders that such insurance is adequate for the purposes of the business of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries or the protection of their properties; and
  - (iii) except with respect to subsection (c) above, the amount and type of insurance that the Borrower and its Subsidiaries has in effect as of the Closing Date satisfies for all purposes the requirements of this Section 5.02.

Section 5.03 <u>Taxes</u>. Pay its obligations in respect of all Tax liabilities, assessments and governmental charges, before the same shall become delinquent or in default, except where (i) the amount or validity thereof is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings and the Borrower or a Subsidiary thereof has set aside on its books adequate reserves therefor in accordance with GAAP or (ii) the failure to make payment could not reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 5.04 <u>Financial Statements, Reports, etc.</u> Furnish to the Administrative Agent (which will promptly furnish such information to the Lenders):

(a) within 90 days (or such earlier date on which the Borrower is required to file a Form 10-K under the Exchange Act) after the end of each fiscal year, commencing with the fiscal year ending on September 30, 2019, a consolidated balance sheet and related statements of operations, cash flows and owners' equity showing the financial position of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the close of such fiscal year and the consolidated results of their operations during such year and setting

forth in comparative form the corresponding figures for the prior fiscal year, which consolidated balance sheet and related statements of operations, cash flows and owners' equity shall be accompanied by customary management's discussion and analysis and audited by independent public accountants of recognized national standing and accompanied by an opinion of such accountants (which opinion shall not be qualified as to scope of audit (other than an emphasis matter paragraph) or as to the status of the Borrower or any Material Subsidiary as a going concern, other than solely with respect to, or resulting solely from, (x) an upcoming maturity date under any series of Indebtedness for borrowed money, (y) any potential or actual breach of the Financial Covenant or (z) any prospective breach of any financial covenant under any other Indebtedness for borrowed money) to the effect that such consolidated financial statements fairly present, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP (it being understood that the delivery by the Borrower of annual reports on Form 10-K (or any successor or comparable form) of the Borrower and its consolidated Subsidiaries shall satisfy the requirements of this Section 5.04(a) to the extent such annual reports include the information specified herein);

(b) within 45 days (or such earlier date on which the Borrower is required to file a Form 10-Q under the Exchange Act) after the end of each of the first three fiscal quarters of each fiscal year (commencing with the fiscal quarter ended on December 31, 2019), a consolidated balance sheet and related statements of operations and cash flows showing the financial position of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the close of such fiscal quarter and the consolidated results of their operations during such fiscal quarter and the then-elapsed portion of the fiscal year and setting forth in comparative form the corresponding figures for the corresponding periods of the prior fiscal year, all of which shall be in reasonable detail, which consolidated balance sheet and related statements of operations and cash flows shall be accompanied by customary management's discussion and analysis and which consolidated balance sheet and related statements of operations and cash flows shall be certified by a Financial Officer of the Borrower on behalf of the Borrower as fairly presenting, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP (subject to normal year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes) (it being understood that the delivery by the Borrower of quarterly reports on Form 10-Q (or any successor or comparable form) of the Borrower and its consolidated Subsidiaries shall satisfy the requirements of this Section 5.04(b) to the extent such quarterly reports include the information specified herein);

(c) (x) concurrently with any delivery of financial statements under clause (a) or (b) above, a certificate of a Financial Officer of the Borrower (i) certifying that no Event of Default or Default has occurred since the date of the last certificate delivered pursuant to this Section 5.04(c) or, if such an Event of Default or Default has occurred, specifying the nature and extent thereof and any corrective action taken or proposed to be taken with respect thereto, (ii) commencing with the end of the first full fiscal quarter ending after the Closing Date, setting forth computations in reasonable detail demonstrating compliance with the Financial Covenant and (iii) setting forth the calculation and uses of the Cumulative Credit for the fiscal period then ended if the Borrower shall have used the Cumulative Credit for any purpose during such fiscal period and (y) concurrently with any delivery of financial statements under clause (a) above, if the accounting firm is not restricted from providing such a certificate by its policies office, a certificate of the accounting firm opining on or certifying such statements stating whether they obtained knowledge during the course of their examination of such statements of any Default or Event of Default (which certificate may be limited to accounting matters and disclaim responsibility for legal interpretations);

- (d) promptly after the same become publicly available, copies of all periodic and other publicly available reports, proxy statements and, to the extent requested by the Administrative Agent, other materials filed by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries with the SEC, or after an initial public offering, distributed to its stockholders generally, as applicable; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such reports, proxy statements, filings and other materials required to be delivered pursuant to this clause (d) shall be deemed delivered for purposes of this Agreement when posted to the website of the Borrower or the website of the SEC and written notice of such posting has been delivered to the Administrative Agent;
- (e) within 90 days (or such later date as the Administrative Agent may agree in its reasonable discretion) after the beginning of each fiscal year (commencing with the fiscal year ending on September 30, 2020), a consolidated annual budget for such fiscal year consisting of a projected consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the end of the following fiscal year and the related consolidated statements of projected cash flow and projected income (collectively, the "Budget"), which Budget shall in each case be accompanied by the statement of a Financial Officer of the Borrower to the effect that the Budget is based on assumptions believed by the Borrower to be reasonable as of the date of delivery thereof;
- (f) upon the reasonable request of the Administrative Agent not more frequently than once a year, an updated Perfection Certificate (or, to the extent such request relates to specified information contained in the Perfection Certificate, such information) reflecting all changes since the date of the information most recently received pursuant to this clause (f) or Section 5.10(f); and
- (g) promptly, from time to time, such other customary information regarding the operations, business affairs and financial condition of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries, or compliance with the terms of any Loan Document as in each case the Administrative Agent may reasonably request (for itself or on behalf of any Lender).

The Borrower hereby acknowledges and agrees that all financial statements furnished pursuant to clauses (a), (b) and (d) above are hereby deemed to be Borrower Materials suitable for distribution, and to be made available, to Public Lenders as contemplated by Section 9.17 and may be treated by the Administrative Agent and the Lenders as if the same had been marked "PUBLIC" in accordance with such paragraph (unless the Borrower otherwise notifies the Administrative Agent in writing on or prior to delivery thereof).

Section 5.05 <u>Litigation and Other Notices</u>. Furnish to the Administrative Agent (which will promptly thereafter furnish to the Lenders) written notice of the following promptly after any Responsible Officer of the Borrower obtains actual knowledge thereof:

- (a) any Event of Default or Default, specifying the nature and extent thereof and the corrective action (if any) proposed to be taken with respect thereto;
- (b) the filing or commencement of, or any written threat or notice of intention of any person to file or commence, any action, suit or proceeding, whether at law or in equity or by or before any Governmental Authority or in arbitration, against the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries as to which an adverse determination is reasonably probable and which, if adversely determined, would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect:
- (c) any other development specific to the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries that is not a matter of general public knowledge and that has had, or would reasonably be expected to have, a Material Adverse Effect; and
- (d) the occurrence of any ERISA Event that, together with all other ERISA Events that have occurred, would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 5.06 <u>Compliance with Laws</u>. Comply with all laws, rules, regulations and orders of any Governmental Authority applicable to it or its property, except where the failure to do so, individually or in the aggregate, would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect; <u>provided</u>, that this Section 5.06 shall not apply to Environmental Laws, which are the subject of Section 5.09, or to laws related to Taxes, which are the subject of Section 5.03. The Borrower will maintain in effect and enforce policies and procedures reasonably designed to ensure compliance in all material respects by the Borrower, its Subsidiaries and their respective directors, officers, employees and agents with Anti-Corruption Laws and applicable Sanctions Laws in connection with the Borrower's or its Subsidiaries' business operations.

Section 5.07 <u>Maintaining Records</u>; <u>Access to Properties and Inspections</u>. Maintain all financial records in accordance with GAAP and permit any persons designated by the Administrative Agent or, upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, any Lender to visit and inspect the financial records and the properties of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries at reasonable times, upon reasonable prior notice to the Borrower, and as often as reasonably requested and to make extracts from and copies of such financial records, and permit any persons designated by the Administrative Agent or, upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, any Lender upon reasonable prior notice to the Borrower to discuss the affairs, finances and condition of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries with the officers thereof and independent accountants therefor (so long as the Borrower has the opportunity to participate in any such discussions with such accountants), in each case, subject to reasonable requirements of confidentiality, including requirements imposed by law or by contract.

Section 5.08 <u>Use of Proceeds</u>. Use the proceeds of the Loans made and Letters of Credit issued in the manner contemplated by Section 3.12 and Section 3.25(c).

Section 5.09 <u>Compliance with Environmental Laws</u>. Comply, and make reasonable efforts to cause all lessees and other persons occupying its properties to comply, with all Environmental Laws applicable to its operations and properties; and obtain and renew all material authorizations and permits required pursuant to Environmental Law for its operations and properties, in each case in accordance with Environmental Laws, except, in each case with respect to this Section 5.09, to the extent the failure to do so would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect.

## Section 5.10 Further Assurances; Additional Security.

- (a) Execute any and all further documents, financing statements, agreements and instruments, and take all such further actions (including the filing and recording of financing statements, fixture filings, Mortgages and other documents), that the Administrative Agent may reasonably request (including, without limitation, those required by applicable law), to satisfy the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement and to cause the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement to be and remain satisfied, all at the expense of the Loan Parties and provide to the Collateral Agent, from time to time upon reasonable request by the Administrative Agent, evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent as to the perfection and priority of the Liens created or intended to be created by the Security Documents.
- (b) If any asset (other than Real Property) that has an individual fair market value (as determined in good faith by the Borrower) in an amount greater than \$5,000,000 is acquired by the Borrower or any Subsidiary Loan Party after the Closing Date or owned by an entity at the time it becomes a Subsidiary Loan Party (in each case other than (x) assets constituting Collateral under a Security Document that become subject to the Lien of such Security Document upon acquisition thereof and (y) assets constituting Excluded Property), the Borrower or such Subsidiary Loan Party, as applicable, will (i) notify the Collateral Agent of such acquisition or ownership and (ii) cause such asset

to be subjected to a Lien (subject to any Permitted Liens) securing the Obligations by, and take, and cause the Subsidiary Loan Parties to take, such actions as shall be reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent to grant and perfect such Liens, including actions described in clause (a) of this Section 5.10, all at the expense of the Loan Parties, subject to clause (g) below.

- (c) Within 90 days after the acquisition of any Material Real Property after the Closing Date (or such later date as the Administrative Agent may agree in its reasonable discretion), (i) grant and cause each of the Subsidiary Loan Parties to grant to the Collateral Agent security interests in, and Mortgages on, such Material Real Property pursuant to documentation substantially in the form of Exhibit K (with such changes to account for local law matters) or otherwise in a form reasonably acceptable to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, which security interest and mortgage shall constitute valid and enforceable Liens subject to no other Liens except Permitted Liens, (ii) record or file, and cause each such Subsidiary Loan Party to record or file, the Mortgage or instruments related thereto in such manner and in such places as is required by law to establish, perfect, preserve and protect the Liens in favor of the Collateral Agent (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) required to be granted pursuant to the Mortgages and pay, and cause each such Subsidiary Loan Party to pay, in full, all Taxes, fees and other charges required to be paid in connection with such recording or filing, in each case subject to clause (g) below, (iii) deliver to the Collateral Agent an updated Schedule 1.01(E) reflecting such Mortgaged Properties and (iv) unless otherwise waived by the Administrative Agent, with respect to each such Mortgage, cause the requirements set forth in clauses (f) and (g) of the definition of "Collateral and Guarantee Requirement" to be satisfied with respect to such Material Real Property.
- (d) If any additional direct or indirect Subsidiary of the Borrower is formed or acquired after the Closing Date (with any Subsidiary Redesignation resulting in an Unrestricted Subsidiary becoming a Subsidiary or any Excluded Subsidiary ceasing to be an Excluded Subsidiary being deemed to constitute the acquisition of a Subsidiary) and if such Subsidiary is a Subsidiary Loan Party, within 15 Business Days after the date such Subsidiary is formed or acquired (or such longer period as the Administrative Agent may agree in its reasonable discretion), notify the Collateral Agent thereof and, within 20 Business Days after the date such Subsidiary is formed or acquired or such longer period as the Administrative Agent may agree in its reasonable discretion (or, with respect to clauses (f), (g) and (h) of the definition of "Collateral and Guarantee Requirement," within 120 days after such formation or acquisition or such longer period as set forth therein or as the Administrative Agent may agree in its reasonable discretion, as applicable), cause the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement to be satisfied with respect to such Subsidiary and with respect to any Equity Interest in or Indebtedness of such Subsidiary owned by or on behalf of any Loan Party, subject to clause (g) below.
- (e) If any additional Foreign Subsidiary of the Borrower is formed or acquired after the Closing Date (with any Subsidiary Redesignation resulting in an Unrestricted Subsidiary becoming a Subsidiary being deemed to constitute the acquisition of a Subsidiary) and if such Subsidiary is a "first tier" Foreign Subsidiary of a Loan Party, within 15 Business Days after the date such Foreign Subsidiary is formed or acquired (or such longer period as the Administrative Agent may agree in its reasonable discretion), notify the Collateral Agent thereof and, within 50 Business Days after the date such Foreign Subsidiary is formed or acquired or such longer period as the Administrative Agent may agree in its reasonable discretion, cause the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement to be satisfied with respect to any Equity Interest in such Foreign Subsidiary owned by or on behalf of any Loan Party, subject to clause (g) below.
- (f) Furnish to the Collateral Agent prompt written notice of any change (A) in any Loan Party's corporate or organization name, (B) in any Loan Party's identity or organizational structure, (C) in any Loan Party's jurisdiction of organization or (D) in the location of the chief executive office of any Loan Party that is not a registered organization; provided, that the Borrower shall

not effect or permit any such change unless all filings have been made, or will have been made within 30 days following such change (or such longer period as the Administrative Agent may agree in its reasonable discretion), under the Uniform Commercial Code that are required in order for the Collateral Agent to continue at all times following such change to have a valid, legal and perfected security interest in all the Collateral in which a security interest may be perfected by such filing, for the benefit of the Secured Parties.

(g) The Collateral and Guarantee Requirement and the other provisions of this Section 5.10 and the other Loan Documents with respect to Collateral need not be satisfied with respect to any of the following (collectively, the "Excluded Property"): (i) any Real Property other than Material Real Property, (ii) (x) motor vehicles, railcars, trailers, aircraft, aircraft engines, construction and earth moving equipment and other assets subject to certificates of title other than to the extent a Lien on such assets can be perfected by filing a UCC-1, (y) letter of credit rights (in each case, other than to the extent a Lien on such assets or such rights can be perfected by filing a UCC-1) and (z) commercial tort claims with a value of less than \$5,000,000, (iii) pledges and security interests prohibited by applicable law, rule, regulation or contractual obligation (with respect to any such contractual obligation, only to the extent such restriction is permitted under Section 6.09(c) and such restriction is binding on such assets (1) on the Closing Date or (2) on the date of the acquisition thereof and not entered into in contemplation thereof (other than in connection with the incurrence of Indebtedness of the type contemplated by Section 6.01(i))) (in each case, except to the extent such prohibition is unenforceable after giving effect to the applicable antiassignment provisions of Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code and other applicable law) or which could require governmental (including regulatory) consent, approval, license or authorization to be pledged (unless such consent, approval, license or authorization has been received), (iv) assets to the extent a security interest in such assets could reasonably be expected to result in material adverse tax consequences as determined in good faith by the Borrower in consultation with the Administrative Agent, (v) any lease, license or other agreement to the extent that a grant of a security interest therein would violate or invalidate such lease, license or agreement or create a right of termination in favor of any other party thereto (other than the Borrower or any Guarantor) after giving effect to the applicable anti-assignment provisions of Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code and other applicable law, other than proceeds and receivables thereof, the assignment of which is expressly deemed effective under the Uniform Commercial Code notwithstanding such prohibition, (vi) those assets as to which the Administrative Agent and the Borrower reasonably agree that the cost or other consequence of obtaining such a security interest or perfection thereof are excessive in relation to the value afforded thereby, (vii) any governmental licenses or state or local licenses, franchises, charters and authorizations, to the extent security interests in such licenses, franchises, charters or authorizations are prohibited or restricted thereby after giving effect to the applicable anti-assignment provisions of Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code and other applicable law, (viii) any "intent-to-use" applications for trademark or service mark registrations filed pursuant to Section 1(b) of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. §1051, unless and until an Amendment to Allege Use or a Statement of Use under Section 1(c) or 1(d) of the Lanham Act has been filed, (ix) other customary exclusions under applicable local law or in applicable local jurisdictions set forth in any applicable Security Documents or otherwise separately agreed in writing between the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, (x) Securitization Assets sold to any Special Purpose Securitization Subsidiary or otherwise pledged, factored, transferred or sold in connection with any Permitted Securitization Financing, (xi) any Excluded Securities, (xii) any Third Party Funds, (xiii) any equipment or other asset that is subject to a Lien permitted by any of clauses (c), (i), (j), (aa) or (mm) of Section 6.02 or is otherwise subject to a purchase money debt or a Capitalized Lease Obligation, in each case, as permitted by Section 6.01, if the contract or other agreement providing for such debt or Capitalized Lease Obligation prohibits or requires the consent of any person (other than the Borrower or any Guarantor) as a condition to the creation of any other security interest on such equipment or asset and, in each case, such prohibition or requirement is permitted hereunder (after giving effect to the applicable anti-assignment provisions of

Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code or other applicable law), in each case, other than proceeds and receivables thereof, the assignment of which is expressly deemed effective under the Uniform Commercial Code notwithstanding such prohibition and (xiv) any other exceptions mutually agreed upon between the Borrower and the Administrative Agent; provided, that the Borrower may in its sole discretion elect to exclude any property from the definition of "Excluded Property." Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, (A) the Administrative Agent may grant extensions of time or waivers of requirements for the creation or perfection of security interests or other Liens in or the obtaining of insurance (including title insurance) or surveys with respect to particular assets (including extensions beyond the Closing Date for the perfection of security interests in the assets of the Loan Parties on such date) where it reasonably determines, in consultation with the Borrower, that perfection or obtaining of such items cannot be accomplished without undue effort or expense or by the time or times at which it would otherwise be required by this Agreement or the other Loan Documents, (B) no control agreement or control, lockbox or similar arrangement shall be required with respect to any deposit accounts, securities accounts or commodities accounts, (C) no landlord, mortgagee or bailee waivers or collateral access agreements shall be required, (D) no foreign-law governed security documents or perfection under foreign law shall be required, nor shall the Administrative Agent be authorized to take any action outside the United States to create any security interest in assets located or titled outside of the United States or to perfect or make enforceable any security interests in any such assets, (E) share certificates of any person that is not a Subsidiary or of any Foreign Subsidiary shall not be required to be delivered, (F) no notice shall be required to be sent to account debtors or other contractual third parties prior to an Event of Default, (G) Liens required to be granted from time to time pursuant to, or any other requirements of, the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement and the Security Documents shall be subject to exceptions and limitations set forth in the Security Documents and (H) to the extent any Mortgaged Property is located in a jurisdiction with mortgage recording or similar tax, the amount secured by the Security Document with respect to such Mortgaged Property shall be limited to the fair market value of such Mortgaged Property as determined in good faith by the Borrower (subject to any applicable laws in the relevant jurisdiction or such lesser amount agreed to by the Administrative Agent).

Section 5.11 <u>Rating</u>. Exercise commercially reasonable efforts to obtain and to maintain (a) public ratings (but not to obtain a specific rating) from Moody's and S&P for the Term B Loans and (b) public corporate credit ratings and corporate family ratings (but, in each case, not to obtain a specific rating) from Moody's and S&P in respect of the Borrower.

Section 5.12 <u>Post-Closing</u>. Take all necessary actions to satisfy the items described on <u>Schedule 5.12</u> within the applicable period of time specified in such Schedule (or such longer period as the Administrative Agent may agree in its reasonable discretion).

## ARTICLE VI

## Negative Covenants

The Borrower covenants and agrees with each Lender that, until the Termination Date, unless the Required Lenders (or, in the case of Section 6.11, the Required Revolving Facility Lenders voting as a single Class) shall otherwise consent in writing, the Borrower will not, and will not permit any of the Subsidiaries to:

Section 6.01 Indebtedness. Incur, create, assume or permit to exist any Indebtedness, except:

- (a) (i) Indebtedness existing or committed on the Closing Date (<u>provided</u>, that any such Indebtedness that is (x) not intercompany Indebtedness and (y) in excess of \$5,000,000 shall be set forth on <u>Schedule 6.01</u>) and (ii) any Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness incurred to Refinance such Indebtedness (other than (x) intercompany Indebtedness Refinanced with Indebtedness owed to a person not affiliated with the Borrower or any Subsidiary and (y) to the extent set forth on Schedule 6.01);
- (b) (i) Indebtedness created hereunder (including pursuant to Section 2.21) and under the other Loan Documents and (ii) any Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness incurred to Refinance such Indebtedness;
  - (c) Indebtedness of the Borrower or any Subsidiary pursuant to Hedging Agreements entered into for non-speculative purposes;
- (d) Indebtedness in respect of self-insurance and Indebtedness and other obligations owed to (including obligations in respect of letters of credit or bank guarantees or similar instruments for the benefit of) any person providing workers' compensation, health, disability or other employee benefits or property, casualty or liability insurance to the Borrower or any Subsidiary, pursuant to reimbursement or indemnification obligations to such person, in each case in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice;
- (e) Indebtedness of the Borrower to any Subsidiary and of any Subsidiary to the Borrower or any other Subsidiary; <u>provided</u>, that (i) Indebtedness of any Subsidiary that is not a Subsidiary Loan Party owing to the Loan Parties incurred pursuant to this Section 6.01(e) shall be subject to Section 6.04 and (ii) Indebtedness owed by any Loan Party to any Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party incurred pursuant to this Section 6.01(e) shall be subordinated to the Loan Obligations under this Agreement on subordination terms described in the intercompany note substantially in the form of <a href="Exhibit J">Exhibit J</a> hereto or on substantially identical subordination terms or other subordination terms reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower;
- (f) Indebtedness in respect of performance bonds, bid bonds, appeal bonds, surety bonds, performance and completion guarantees and similar obligations, in each case provided in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice, including those incurred to secure health, safety and environmental obligations in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice;
- (g) Indebtedness arising from the honoring by a bank or other financial institution of a check, draft or similar instrument drawn against insufficient funds in each case incurred in the ordinary course of business or other cash management services incurred in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice;
- (h) (i) Indebtedness of a Subsidiary acquired after the Closing Date or a person merged or consolidated with the Borrower or any Subsidiary after the Closing Date and Indebtedness otherwise incurred or assumed by the Borrower or any Subsidiary in connection with the acquisition of assets or Equity Interests (including a Permitted Acquisition) or any Investment or New Project permitted hereunder, where such acquisition, merger or consolidation, Investment or New Project is not prohibited by this Agreement; provided, that, (w) in the case of any such Indebtedness secured by Liens on Collateral that are Other First Liens, the Net First Lien Leverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis immediately after giving effect to such acquisition, merger or consolidation, Investment or New Project, the incurrence or assumption of such Indebtedness and the use of proceeds thereof and any related transactions is not greater than 1.70 to 1.00, (x) in the case of any such Indebtedness secured by Liens on Collateral that are Junior Liens, the Net Secured Leverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis immediately after giving effect to such acquisition, merger or consolidation, Investment or New Project, the incurrence or assumption of such Indebtedness and the use of proceeds thereof and any related transactions is not greater than 1.95 to 1.00, (y) in the case of any other such Indebtedness, either (A) the Interest Coverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis immediately after giving effect to such acquisition, merger or consolidation,

Investment or New Project, the incurrence or assumption of such Indebtedness and the use of proceeds thereof and any related transactions is not less than 2.00 to 1.00 or (B) the Net Total Leverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis immediately after giving effect to such acquisition, merger, consolidation, Investment or New Project, the incurrence or assumption of such Indebtedness and the use of proceeds thereof and any related transactions is not greater than 1.95 to 1.00 and (z) in the case of any such Indebtedness incurred under this clause (h)(i) by a Subsidiary other than a Subsidiary Loan Party that is incurred in contemplation of such acquisition, merger or consolidation, Investment or New Project, the aggregate outstanding principal amount of such Indebtedness immediately after giving effect to such acquisition, merger or consolidation, Investment or New Project, the incurrence of such Indebtedness and the use of proceeds thereof and any related transactions, when taken together with the aggregate principal amount of any other Indebtedness outstanding pursuant to this Section 6.01(h)(i)(z), Section 6.01(q)(i), Section 6.01(r)(i) and Section 6.01(s)(i) that are incurred by Subsidiaries other than the Subsidiary Loan Parties, shall not exceed the greater of \$15,000,000 and 0.15 times the EBITDA calculated on a Pro Forma Basis for the then most recently ended Test Period; provided, further, that any Indebtedness for borrowed money incurred in the form of term loans pursuant to this clause (h)(i) that is incurred in contemplation of such acquisition, merger or consolidation and that is secured by Liens that are Other First Liens shall be subject to the last paragraph of Section 6.02, and (ii) any Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness incurred to Refinance any such Indebtedness:

- (i) (i) Capitalized Lease Obligations, mortgage financings and other Indebtedness incurred by the Borrower or any Subsidiary prior to or within 270 days after the acquisition, lease, construction, installation, repair, replacement or improvement of the respective property (real or personal), equipment or other asset (whether through the direct purchase of property or the Equity Interest of any person owning such property) permitted under this Agreement in order to finance such acquisition, lease, construction, installation, repair, replacement or improvement, in an aggregate principal amount outstanding that immediately after giving effect to the incurrence of such Indebtedness and the use of proceeds thereof, together with the aggregate principal amount of any other Indebtedness outstanding pursuant to this Section 6.01(i)(i), would not exceed the greater of \$35,000,000 and 0.35 times the EBITDA calculated on a Pro Forma Basis for the then most recently ended Test Period and (ii) any Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness in respect of the foregoing;
- (j) (i) Capitalized Lease Obligations and any other Indebtedness incurred by the Borrower or any Subsidiary arising from any Sale and Lease-Back Transaction that is permitted under Section 6.03 and (ii) any Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness in respect of the foregoing;
- (k) (i) Indebtedness of the Borrower or any Subsidiary, in an aggregate principal amount outstanding that, immediately after giving effect to the incurrence of such Indebtedness and the use of proceeds thereof, together with the aggregate principal amount of any other Indebtedness outstanding pursuant to this Section 6.01(k), would not exceed the greater of \$20,000,000 and 0.20 times the EBITDA calculated on a Pro Forma Basis for the then most recently ended Test Period, and (ii) any Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness in respect thereof;
- (l) Indebtedness of the Borrower or any Subsidiary in an aggregate outstanding principal amount not greater than 100% of the amount of net cash proceeds received by the Borrower from (x) the issuance or sale of its Qualified Equity Interests or (y) a contribution to its common equity (in each case of (x) and (y), other than proceeds from the sale of Equity Interests to, or contributions from, the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries), to the extent such net cash proceeds do not constitute Excluded Contributions or Permitted Cure Securities;

- (m) Guarantees (i) by the Borrower or any Subsidiary Loan Party of any Indebtedness of the Borrower or any Subsidiary Loan Party permitted to be incurred under this Agreement, (ii) by the Borrower or any Subsidiary Loan Party of Indebtedness otherwise permitted hereunder of any Subsidiary that is not a Subsidiary Loan Party to the extent such Guarantees are permitted by Section 6.04 (other than Section 6.04(l) or 6.04(v)), (iii) by any Subsidiary that is not a Subsidiary Loan Party of Indebtedness of another Subsidiary that is not a Subsidiary Loan Party, and (iv) by the Borrower of Indebtedness of Subsidiaries that are not Subsidiary Loan Parties incurred for working capital purposes in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice on ordinary business terms so long as such Indebtedness is permitted to be incurred under Section 6.01 to the extent such Guarantees are permitted by Section 6.04 (other than Section 6.04(l) or Section 6.04(v)); <u>provided</u>, that Guarantees by the Borrower or any Subsidiary Loan Party under this Section 6.01(m) of any other Indebtedness of a person that is subordinated to other Indebtedness of such person shall be expressly subordinated to the Loan Obligations to at least the same extent as such underlying Indebtedness is subordinated;
- (n) Indebtedness arising from agreements of the Borrower or any Subsidiary providing for indemnification, adjustment of purchase or acquisition price or similar obligations (including earn-outs), in each case, incurred or assumed in connection with the Transactions, any Permitted Acquisition, other Investments or the disposition of any business, assets or a Subsidiary not prohibited by this Agreement;
- (o) Indebtedness in respect of letters of credit, bank guarantees, warehouse receipts or similar instruments issued to support performance obligations and trade letters of credit (other than obligations in respect of other Indebtedness) in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice;
- (p) Guarantees by the Borrower or any Subsidiary of Indebtedness under customer financing lines of credit entered into in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice;
- (q) (i) Indebtedness secured by Liens on Collateral that are Other First Liens so long as immediately after giving effect to the incurrence of such Indebtedness and the use of proceeds thereof, the Net First Lien Leverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis is not greater than 1.70 to 1.00; provided, that (x) the aggregate principal amount of Indebtedness outstanding under this clause (q)(i) at such time that is incurred by a Subsidiary other than a Subsidiary Loan Party shall not exceed, when taken together with the aggregate principal amount of any other Indebtedness outstanding pursuant to Section 6.01(h)(i)(z), this Section 6.01(q)(i), Section 6.01(r)(i) and Section 6.01(s)(i) that are incurred by Subsidiaries other than the Subsidiary Loan Parties, the greater of \$15,000,000 and 0.15 times the EBITDA calculated on a Pro Forma Basis for the then most recently ended Test Period and (y) the incurrence of Indebtedness for borrowed money in the form of term loans pursuant to this clause (q)(i) secured by Liens on Collateral that are Other First Liens shall be subject to the last paragraph of Section 6.02, and (ii) any Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness in respect thereof;
- (r) (i) Indebtedness secured by Liens on Collateral that are Junior Liens so long as immediately after giving effect to the incurrence of such Indebtedness and the use of proceeds thereof, the Net Secured Leverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis is not greater than 1.95 to 1.00; provided, that the aggregate principal amount of Indebtedness outstanding under this clause (r)(i) at such time that is incurred by a Subsidiary other than a Subsidiary Loan Party shall not exceed, when taken together with the aggregate principal amount of any other Indebtedness outstanding pursuant to Section 6.01(h)(i)(z), Section 6.01(q)(i), this Section 6.01(r)(i) and Section 6.01(s)(i) that are incurred by Subsidiaries other than the Subsidiary Loan Parties, the greater of \$15,000,000 and 0.15 times the EBITDA calculated on a Pro Forma Basis for the then most recently ended Test Period, and (ii) any Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness in respect thereof;

- (s) (i) unsecured Indebtedness so long as immediately after giving effect to the incurrence of such Indebtedness and the use of proceeds thereof, either (A) the Interest Coverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis is not less than 2.00 to 1.00 or (B) the Net Total Leverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis is not greater than 1.95 to 1.00; provided, that the aggregate principal amount of Indebtedness outstanding under this clause (s)(i) at such time that is incurred by a Subsidiary other than a Subsidiary Loan Party shall not exceed, when taken together with the aggregate principal amount of any other Indebtedness outstanding pursuant to Section 6.01(h)(i)(z), Section 6.01(q)(i), Section 6.01(r)(i) and this Section 6.01(s)(i) that are incurred by Subsidiaries other than the Subsidiary Loan Parties, the greater of \$15,000,000 and 0.15 times the EBITDA calculated on a Pro Forma Basis for the then most recently ended Test Period, and (ii) any Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness in respect thereof;
- (t) (i) Indebtedness of Subsidiaries that are not Subsidiary Loan Parties in an aggregate principal amount outstanding that, immediately after giving effect to the incurrence of such Indebtedness and the use of proceeds thereof, together with the aggregate principal amount of any other Indebtedness outstanding pursuant to this Section 6.01(t), would not exceed the greater of \$15,000,000 and 0.15 times the EBITDA calculated on a Pro Forma Basis for the then most recently ended Test Period, and (ii) any Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness in respect thereof;
- (u) Indebtedness incurred in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice in respect of obligations of the Borrower or any Subsidiary to pay the deferred purchase price of goods or services or progress payments in connection with such goods and services; <u>provided</u>, that such obligations are incurred in connection with open accounts extended by suppliers on customary trade terms in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice and not in connection with the borrowing of money or any Hedging Agreements;
- (v) Indebtedness representing deferred compensation to employees, consultants or independent contractors of the Borrower (or, to the extent such work is done for the Borrower or its Subsidiaries, any direct or indirect parent thereof) or any Subsidiary incurred in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice;
  - (w) Indebtedness in connection with Permitted Securitization Financings;
  - (x) obligations in respect of Cash Management Agreements;
  - (y) (i) Refinancing Notes and (ii) any Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness incurred in respect thereof;
- (z) (i) Indebtedness in an aggregate principal amount outstanding not to exceed at the time of incurrence the Incremental Amount available at such time; <u>provided</u> that the incurrence of Subject Term Loans pursuant to this clause (z)(i) shall be subject to the last paragraph of Section 6.02, and (ii) any Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness in respect thereof;
  - (aa) [reserved];
- (bb) (i) Indebtedness of, incurred on behalf of, or representing Guarantees of Indebtedness of, joint ventures in an aggregate principal amount outstanding that, immediately after giving effect to the incurrence of such Indebtedness and the use of proceeds thereof, together with the aggregate principal amount of any other Indebtedness outstanding pursuant to this Section 6.01(bb), would not exceed the greater of \$75,000,000 and 0.75 times the EBITDA calculated on a Pro Forma Basis for the then most recently ended Test Period, and (ii) any Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness in respect thereof;

- (cc) Indebtedness issued by the Borrower or any Subsidiary to current or former officers, directors and employees thereof, their respective estates, spouses or former spouses to finance the purchase or redemption of Equity Interests of the Borrower permitted by Section 6.06;
- (dd) Indebtedness consisting of obligations of the Borrower or any Subsidiary under deferred compensation or other similar arrangements incurred by such person in connection with the Transactions and Permitted Acquisitions or any other Investment permitted hereunder;
- (ee) Indebtedness of the Borrower or any Subsidiary to or on behalf of any joint venture (regardless of the form of legal entity) that is not a Subsidiary arising in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice in connection with the cash management operations (including with respect to intercompany self-insurance arrangements) of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries;
- (ff) Indebtedness consisting of (i) the financing of insurance premiums or (ii) take-or-pay obligations contained in supply arrangements, in each case, in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice;
- (gg) Indebtedness supported by a Letter of Credit, in a principal amount not in excess of the stated amount of such Letter of Credit (or a letter of credit issued under any other revolving credit or letter of credit facility permitted by Section 6.01);
- (hh) (i) Indebtedness under bilateral, working capital or local facilities in an aggregate principal amount outstanding that, immediately after giving effect to the incurrence of such Indebtedness and the use of proceeds thereof, together with the aggregate principal amount of any other Indebtedness outstanding pursuant to this Section 6.01(hh)(i), would not exceed the greater of \$50,000,000 and 0.50 times the EBITDA calculated on a Pro Forma Basis for the then most recently ended Test Period, and (ii) any Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness in respect thereof;
- (ii) all premium (if any, including tender premiums) expenses, defeasance costs, interest (including post-petition interest), fees, expenses, charges and additional or contingent interest on obligations described in clauses (a) through (hh) above or refinancings thereof.

For purposes of determining compliance with this Section 6.01 or Section 6.02, the amount of any Indebtedness denominated in any currency other than Dollars shall be calculated based on customary currency exchange rates in effect, in the case of such Indebtedness incurred (in respect of term Indebtedness) or committed (in respect of revolving Indebtedness) on or prior to the Closing Date, on the Closing Date and, in the case of such Indebtedness incurred (in respect of term Indebtedness) or committed (in respect of revolving Indebtedness) after the Closing Date, on the date on which such Indebtedness was incurred (in respect of term Indebtedness) or committed (in respect of revolving Indebtedness); provided, that if such Indebtedness is incurred to refinance other Indebtedness denominated in a currency other than Dollars (or in a different currency from the Indebtedness being refinanced), and such refinancing would cause the applicable Dollar-denominated restriction to be exceeded if calculated at the relevant currency exchange rate in effect on the date of such refinancing, such Dollar-denominated restriction shall be deemed not to have been exceeded so long as the principal amount of such refinancing Indebtedness does not exceed (i) the outstanding or committed principal amount, as applicable, of such Indebtedness being refinanced plus (ii) the aggregate amount of fees, underwriting discounts, premiums (including tender premiums), accrued interest, defeasance costs and other costs and expenses incurred in connection with such refinancing.

Further, for purposes of determining compliance with this Section 6.01, (A) Indebtedness need not be permitted solely by reference to one category of permitted Indebtedness (or any portion thereof) described in Sections 6.01(a) through (ii) (including, for the avoidance of doubt, with respect to the clauses set forth in the definition of "Incremental Amount") but may be permitted in part under any combination thereof, (B) in the event that an item of Indebtedness (or any portion thereof) meets the criteria of one or more of the categories of permitted Indebtedness (or any portion thereof) described in Sections 6.01(a) through (ii) (including, for the avoidance of doubt, with respect to the clauses set forth in the definition of "Incremental Amount"), the Borrower may, in its sole discretion, divide, classify or reclassify, or later divide, classify or reclassify (as if incurred at such later time), such item of Indebtedness (or any portion thereof) in any manner that complies with this Section 6.01 and at the time of incurrence, division, classification or reclassification will be entitled to only include the amount and type of such item of Indebtedness (or any portion thereof) in one of the above clauses (or any portion thereof) and such item of Indebtedness (or any portion thereof) shall be treated as having been incurred or existing pursuant to only such clause or clauses (or any portion thereof) without giving pro forma effect to such item (or any portion thereof) when calculating the amount of Indebtedness (or any portion thereof) that may be incurred, divided, classified or reclassified pursuant to any other clause (or any portion thereof) at such time; provided, that all Indebtedness outstanding on the Closing Date under this Agreement shall at all times be deemed to have been incurred pursuant to clause (b) of this Section 6.01, (C) in connection with (1) the incurrence of revolving loan Indebtedness under this Section 6.01 or (2) any commitment relating to the incurrence of Indebtedness under this Section 6.01 and the granting of any Lien to secure such Indebtedness, the Borrower or applicable Subsidiary may designate the incurrence of such Indebtedness and the granting of such Lien therefor as having occurred on the date of first incurrence of such revolving loan Indebtedness or commitment (such date, the "Deemed Date"), and any related subsequent actual incurrence and the granting of such Lien therefor will be deemed for purposes of this Section 6.01 and Section 6.02 of this Agreement to have been incurred or granted on such Deemed Date, including, without limitation, for purposes of calculating usage of any baskets hereunder (if applicable), the Net Total Leverage Ratio, the Net Secured Leverage Ratio, the Net First Lien Leverage Ratio, the Interest Coverage Ratio and EBITDA (and all such calculations, without duplication, on the Deemed Date and on any subsequent date until such commitment is funded or terminated or such election is rescinded without the incurrence thereby shall be made on a Pro Forma Basis after giving effect to the deemed incurrence, the granting of any Lien therefor and related transactions in connection therewith) and (D) for purposes of calculating the Interest Coverage Ratio, the Net Secured Leverage Ratio and the Net First Lien Leverage Ratio under Section 6.01(h), (q), (r) and/or (z) on any date of incurrence of Indebtedness pursuant to such Section 6.01(h), (q), (r) and/or (z), the net cash proceeds funded by financing sources upon the incurrence of such Indebtedness incurred at such time of calculation shall not be netted against the applicable amount of Consolidated Debt for purposes of such calculation of the Interest Coverage Ratio, the Net Secured Leverage Ratio, the Net Total Leverage Ratio or the Net First Lien Leverage Ratio, as applicable, at such time. In addition, with respect to any Indebtedness that was permitted to be incurred hereunder on the date of such incurrence, any Increased Amount of such Indebtedness shall also be permitted hereunder after the date of such incurrence.

This Agreement will not treat (1) unsecured Indebtedness as subordinated or junior to secured Indebtedness merely because it is unsecured or (2) senior Indebtedness as subordinated or junior to any other senior Indebtedness merely because it has a junior priority with respect to the same collateral.

With respect to the incurrence of any term loans for borrowed money secured by Liens on the Collateral that are Other First Liens pursuant to Section 6.01(h)(i) (solely to the extent set forth therein), 6.01(q)(i) and 6.01(z)(i) (solely to the extent set forth therein), (1) the stated maturity date of any such Indebtedness shall be no earlier than the Term B Facility Maturity Date as in effect at the time such Indebtedness is incurred and (2) the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of such Indebtedness shall be no shorter than the remaining Weighted Average Life to Maturity of the Term B Loans in effect at the time such Indebtedness is incurred.

Section 6.02 <u>Liens</u>. Create, incur, assume or permit to exist any Lien on any property or assets (including stock or other securities of any person) of the Borrower or any Subsidiary at the time owned by it or on any income or revenues or rights in respect of any thereof, except the following (collectively, "Permitted Liens"):

- (a) Liens on property or assets of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries existing on the Closing Date (or created following the Closing Date pursuant to agreements in existence on the Closing Date (or refinancings thereof) requiring the creation of such Liens) and, to the extent securing Indebtedness in an aggregate principal amount in excess of \$5,000,000, set forth on Schedule 6.02(a) and any modifications, replacements, renewals or extensions thereof; provided, that such Liens shall secure only those obligations that they secure on the Closing Date (and any Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness in respect of such obligations permitted by Section 6.01 except to the extent set forth on Schedule 6.02(a)) and shall not subsequently apply to any other property or assets of the Borrower or any Subsidiary other than (A) after-acquired property that is affixed or incorporated into the property covered by such Lien, and (B) proceeds and products thereof;
- (b) any Lien created under the Loan Documents (including Liens created under the Security Documents securing obligations in respect of Secured Hedge Agreements and Secured Cash Management Agreements) or permitted in respect of any Mortgaged Property by the terms of the applicable Mortgage;
- (c) any Lien on any property or asset of the Borrower or any Subsidiary securing Indebtedness or Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness permitted by Section 6.01(h); provided, that (i) in the case of Liens that do not extend to the Collateral, such Lien does not apply to any other property or assets of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries not securing such Indebtedness at the date of the acquisition of such property or asset, Investment or New Project and accessions and additions thereto and proceeds and products thereof (other than after-acquired property required to be subjected to such Lien pursuant to the terms of such Indebtedness (and refinancings thereof)), (ii) in the case of Liens on the Collateral that are (or are intended to be) junior in priority to the Liens on the Collateral securing the Term B Loans, such Liens shall be subject to a Permitted Junior Intercreditor Agreement and (iii) in the case of Liens on the Collateral that are (or are intended to be) pari passu with the Liens on the Collateral securing the Term B Loans, (x) such Liens shall be subject to a Permitted Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement and (y) any Indebtedness for borrowed money incurred in the form of term loans that are incurred in contemplation of an acquisition, merger or consolidation and that are secured by such Liens shall be subject to the last paragraph of Section 6.02;
- (d) Liens for Taxes, assessments or other governmental charges or levies not yet delinquent by more than 30 days or that are being contested in compliance with Section 5.03;
- (e) Liens imposed by law, such as landlord's (including for this purpose landlord's Liens created pursuant to the applicable lease), carriers', warehousemen's, mechanics', materialmen's, repairmen's, supplier's, construction or other like Liens, securing obligations that are not overdue by more than 30 days or that are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings and in respect of which, if applicable, the Borrower or any Subsidiary shall have set aside on its books reserves in accordance with GAAP;
- (f) (i) pledges and deposits and other Liens made in the ordinary course of business in compliance with the Federal Employers Liability Act or any other workers' compensation, unemployment insurance, employers' health tax and other social security laws or regulations and deposits securing liability to insurance carriers under insurance or self-insurance arrangements in respect of such obligations and (ii) pledges and deposits and other Liens securing liability for reimbursement or indemnification obligations of (including obligations in respect of letters of credit or bank guarantees for the benefit of) insurance carriers providing property, casualty or liability insurance to the Borrower or any Subsidiary;

- (g) deposits and other Liens to secure the performance of bids, trade contracts (other than for Indebtedness), leases (other than Capitalized Lease Obligations), statutory obligations, surety, indemnity, warranty, release, appeal or similar bonds, performance and return of money bonds, bids, leases, government contracts, trade contracts, agreements with utilities, and other obligations of a like nature (including letters of credit in lieu of any such bonds or to support the issuance thereof) incurred in the ordinary course of business, including those incurred to secure health, safety and environmental obligations in the ordinary course of business;
- (h) zoning restrictions, easements, survey exceptions, trackage rights, leases (other than Capitalized Lease Obligations), licenses, special assessments, rights-of-way, covenants, conditions, servitudes, declarations, homeowners' associations and similar agreements and other restrictions (including minor defects and irregularities in title and similar encumbrances) on or with respect to the use of Real Property, servicing agreements, development agreements, site plan agreements and other similar encumbrances incurred in the ordinary course of business and title defects or irregularities that are of a minor nature and that, in the aggregate, do not interfere in any material respect with the ordinary conduct of the business of the Borrower or any Subsidiary;
- (i) Liens securing Indebtedness permitted by Section 6.01(i) or (j); <u>provided</u>, that such Liens do not apply to any property or assets of the Borrower or any Subsidiary other than the property or assets acquired, leased, constructed, replaced, repaired or improved with such Indebtedness (or the Indebtedness Refinanced thereby) or Disposed of in the applicable Sale and Lease-Back Transaction, and accessions and additions thereto, proceeds and products thereof, customary security deposits and related property; <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that individual financings provided by one lender may be cross-collateralized to other financings provided by such lender (and its Affiliates) (it being understood that with respect to any Liens on the Collateral being incurred under this clause (i) to secure Permitted Refinanced (if any) were Junior Liens, then any Liens on such Collateral being incurred under this clause (i) to secure Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness shall also be Junior Liens);
- (j) Liens arising out of Sale and Lease-Back Transactions permitted under Section 6.03, so long as such Liens attach only to the property Disposed of and being leased in such transaction and any accessions and additions thereto, proceeds and products thereof, customary security deposits and related property;
  - (k) Liens securing judgments that do not constitute an Event of Default under Section 7.01(j);
- (l) Liens disclosed by the title insurance policies delivered on or subsequent to the Closing Date and pursuant to the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement, Section 5.10 or Schedule 5.12 and any replacement, extension or renewal of any such Lien; provided, that such replacement, extension or renewal Lien shall not cover any property other than the property that was subject to such Lien prior to such replacement, extension or renewal and any accessions and additions thereto or proceeds and products thereof and related property; provided, further, that the Indebtedness and other obligations secured by such replacement, extension or renewal Lien are permitted by this Agreement;
- (m) any interest or title of a lessor or sublessor under any leases or subleases entered into by the Borrower or any Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business;

- (n) Liens that are contractual rights of set-off (and related pledges) (i) relating to the establishment of depository relations with banks and other financial institutions not given in connection with the issuance of Indebtedness, (ii) relating to pooled deposits, sweep accounts, reserve accounts or similar accounts of the Borrower or any Subsidiary to permit satisfaction of overdraft or similar obligations incurred in the ordinary course of business of the Borrower or any Subsidiary, including with respect to credit card charge-backs and similar obligations, or (iii) relating to purchase orders and other agreements entered into with customers, suppliers or service providers of the Borrower or any Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business;
- (o) Liens (i) arising solely by virtue of any statutory or common law provision relating to banker's liens, rights of set-off or similar rights, (ii) attaching to commodity trading accounts or other commodity brokerage accounts incurred in the ordinary course of business, (iii) encumbering reasonable customary initial deposits and margin deposits and similar Liens attaching to brokerage accounts incurred in the ordinary course of business and not for speculative purposes, (iv) in respect of Third Party Funds or (v) in favor of credit card companies pursuant to agreements therewith;
- (p) Liens securing obligations in respect of trade-related letters of credit, bankers' acceptances or similar obligations and completion guarantees permitted under Section 6.01(f) or (o) and covering the property (or the documents of title in respect of such property) financed by such letters of credit, bankers' acceptances or similar obligations and completion guarantees and the proceeds and products thereof;
- (q) leases or subleases, licenses or sublicenses granted to others in the ordinary course of business not interfering in any material respect with the business of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole;
- (r) 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;
- (s) Liens solely on any cash earnest money deposits made by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries in connection with any letter of intent or purchase agreement in respect of any Investment permitted hereunder;
- (t) (i) Liens with respect to property or assets of any Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party securing obligations of a Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party permitted under Section 6.01 and (ii) Liens with respect to property or assets of the applicable joint venture or the Equity Interests of such joint venture securing Indebtedness permitted under Section 6.01(bb) (it being understood that with respect to any Liens on the Collateral being incurred under this clause (t)(ii) to secure Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness, if Liens on the Collateral securing the Indebtedness being Refinanced (if any) were Junior Liens, then any Liens on such Collateral being incurred under this clause (t)(ii) to secure Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness shall also be Junior Liens);
- (u) Liens on any amounts held by a trustee or agent under any indenture or other debt agreement issued in escrow pursuant to customary escrow arrangements pending the release thereof, or under any indenture or other debt agreement pursuant to customary discharge, redemption or defeasance provisions;
  - (v) the prior rights of consignees and their lenders under consignment arrangements entered into in the ordinary course of business;

- (w) agreements to subordinate any interest of the Borrower or any Subsidiary in any accounts receivable or other proceeds arising from inventory consigned by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries pursuant to an agreement entered into in the ordinary course of business;
- (x) Liens arising from precautionary Uniform Commercial Code financing statements regarding operating leases or other obligations not constituting Indebtedness or purported Liens evidenced by the filing of precautionary Uniform Commercial Code financing statements or equivalent filings;
- (y) Liens (i) on Equity Interests of, or loans to, joint ventures (A) securing obligations of such joint venture or (B) pursuant to the relevant joint venture agreement or arrangement and (ii) on Equity Interests of Unrestricted Subsidiaries securing Indebtedness of Unrestricted Subsidiaries;
- (z) Liens on securities that are the subject of repurchase agreements constituting Permitted Investments under clause (c) of the definition thereof;
- (aa) Liens in respect of Permitted Securitization Financings that extend only to the assets subject thereto and Equity Interests of Special Purpose Securitization Subsidiaries;
- (bb) Liens securing insurance premiums financing arrangements; <u>provided</u>, that such Liens are limited to the applicable unearned insurance premiums;
- (cc) in the case of Real Property that constitutes a leasehold interest, any Lien to which the fee simple interest (or any superior leasehold interest) is subject;
- (dd) Liens securing Indebtedness or other obligation (i) of the Borrower or a Subsidiary in favor of the Borrower or any Subsidiary Loan Party and (ii) of any Subsidiary that is not Loan Party in favor of any Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party;
- (ee) Liens (i) on not more than \$10,000,000 of deposits securing Hedging Agreements entered into for non-speculative purposes and (ii) on cash or Permitted Investments securing Hedging Agreements in the ordinary course of business submitted for clearing in accordance with applicable Requirements of Law;
- (ff) Liens on goods or inventory the purchase, shipment or storage price of which is financed by a documentary letter of credit, bank guarantee or bankers' acceptance issued or created for the account of the Borrower or any Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business; <u>provided</u>, that such Lien secures only the obligations of the Borrower or such Subsidiaries in respect of such letter of credit, bank guarantee or banker's acceptance to the extent permitted under Section 6.01;
  - (gg) [reserved];
  - (hh) [reserved]:
- (ii) Liens on Collateral that are Other First Liens, so long as such Other First Liens secure Indebtedness permitted by Section 6.01(b), 6.01(h)(i)(w), 6.01(q), 6.01(y), 6.01(z) or 6.01(aa) (and, in each case, Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness in respect thereof), (ii) Liens on Collateral that are Junior Liens, so long as such Junior Liens secure Indebtedness permitted by Section 6.01(b), 6.01(h)(i)(x), 6.01(r), 6.01(y), 6.01(z) or 6.01(aa) (and, in each case, Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness in respect thereof);

- (jj) Liens arising out of conditional sale, title retention or similar arrangements for the sale or purchase of goods by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice;
- (kk) Liens to secure any Indebtedness issued or incurred to Refinance (or successive Indebtedness issued or incurred for subsequent Refinancings) as a whole, or in part, any Indebtedness secured by any Lien permitted by this Section 6.02; provided, however, that (v) with respect to any Liens on the Collateral being incurred under this clause (kk), if Liens on the Collateral securing the Indebtedness being Refinanced (if any) were Junior Liens, then such Liens on such Collateral being incurred under this clause (kk) shall also be Junior Liens, (w) with respect to any Liens on the Collateral being incurred under this clause (kk) may also be Other First Liens or Junior Liens, (x) (other than Liens contemplated by the foregoing clauses (v) and (w)) such new Lien shall be limited to all or part of the same type of property that secured the original Lien (plus improvements on and accessions to such property, proceeds and products thereof, customary security deposits and any other assets pursuant to after-acquired property clauses to the extent such assets secured (or would have secured) the Indebtedness being Refinanced), (y) the Indebtedness secured by such Lien at such time is not increased to any amount greater than the sum of (A) the outstanding principal amount (or accreted value, if applicable) or, if greater, committed amount of the applicable Indebtedness at the time the original Lien became a Lien permitted hereunder, (B) unpaid accrued interest and premium (including tender premiums) and (C) an amount necessary to pay any associated underwriting discounts, defeasance costs, fees, commissions and expenses, and (z) on the date of the incurrence of the Indebtedness secured by such Liens, the grantors of any such Liens shall be no different from the grantors of the Liens securing the Indebtedness being Refinanced or grantors that would have been obligated to secure such Indebtedness or a Loan Party;
- (ll) Liens with respect to property or assets of the Borrower or any Subsidiary securing obligations in an aggregate outstanding principal amount outstanding that, immediately after giving effect to the incurrence of such Liens, would not exceed the greater of \$20,000,000 and 0.20 times the EBITDA calculated on a Pro Forma Basis for the then most recently ended Test Period;
- (mm) Liens on property of, or on Equity Interests or Indebtedness of, any person existing at the time (A) such person becomes a Subsidiary of the Borrower or (B) such person or property is acquired by the Borrower or any Subsidiary; provided that (i) such Liens do not extend to any other assets of the Borrower or any Subsidiary (other than accessions and additions thereto and proceeds or products thereof and other than after-acquired property) and (ii) such Liens secure only those obligations which they secure on the date such person becomes a Subsidiary or the date of such acquisition (and any extensions, renewals, replacements or refinancings thereof);
- (nn) Liens (i) on inventory held by and granted to a local distribution company in the ordinary course of business and (ii) in accounts purchased and collected by and grated to a local distribution company that has agreed to make payments to the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries for such amounts in the ordinary course of business;
- (oo) Liens on any property or asset of the Borrower or any Subsidiary to secure Indebtedness permitted by Section 6.01(hh); <u>provided</u> that such Liens shall only secure any property or asset owned by the Borrower or Subsidiary incurring such Indebtedness; and
  - (pp) Liens on equipment of the Borrower or any Subsidiary granted in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice.

For purposes of determining compliance with this Section 6.02, (A) a Lien securing an item of Indebtedness need not be permitted solely by reference to one category of permitted Liens (or any portion thereof) described in Sections 6.02(a) through (pp) but may be permitted in part under any combination thereof and (B) in the event that a Lien securing an item of Indebtedness (or any portion thereof) meets the criteria of one or more of the categories of permitted Liens (or any portion thereof) described in Sections 6.02(a) through (pp), the Borrower may, in its sole discretion, divide, classify or reclassify, or later divide, classify or reclassify (as if incurred at such later time), such Lien securing such item of Indebtedness (or any portion thereof) in any manner that complies with this Section 6.02 and at the time of incurrence, division, classification or reclassification will be entitled to only include the amount and type of such Lien or such item of Indebtedness secured by such Lien (or any portion thereof) in one of the above clauses (or any portion thereof) and such Lien securing such item of Indebtedness (or any portion thereof) will be treated as being incurred or existing pursuant to only such clause or clauses (or any portion thereof) without giving pro forma effect to such item (or any portion thereof) when calculating the amount of Liens or Indebtedness (or any portion thereof) that may be incurred, divided, classified or reclassified pursuant to any other clause (or any portion thereof) at such time. In addition, with respect to any revolving loan Indebtedness or commitment to incur Indebtedness that is designated to be incurred on any Deemed Date pursuant to clause (C) of the second to last paragraph of Section 6.01, any Lien that does or that shall secure such Indebtedness may also be designated by the Borrower or any Subsidiary to be incurred on such Deemed Date and, in such event, any related subsequent actual incurrence of such Lien shall be deemed for purposes of Section 6.01 and 6.02 of this Agreement, without duplication, to be incurred on such prior date (and on any subsequent date until such commitment is funded or terminated or such election is rescinded or until such time as the related Indebtedness is no longer deemed outstanding pursuant to clause (C) of the second to last paragraph of Section 6.01), including for purposes of calculating usage of any Permitted Lien. In addition, with respect to any Lien securing Indebtedness that was permitted to secure such Indebtedness at the time of the incurrence of such Indebtedness, such Lien shall also be permitted to secure any Increased Amount of such Indebtedness.

With respect to (x) Indebtedness for borrowed money incurred in the form of term loans that are secured by Liens on the Collateral that are Other First Liens incurred under Section 6.02(c) (to the extent set forth therein), (y) any Indebtedness for borrowed money incurred (but not assumed) in the form of term loans pursuant to Section 6.01(h)(i)(w) (to the extent set forth therein) or any Indebtedness for borrowed money in the form of term loans Incurred pursuant to Section 6.01(q)(i) or (z) any Subject Term Loan incurred pursuant to Section 6.01(z)(i) (any such Indebtedness, "Pari Term Loans"), if the All-in Yield in respect of such Pari Term Loans exceeds the All-in Yield in respect of the then-outstanding Term B Loans by more than 0.50% (such difference, the "Pari Yield Differential"), then the Applicable Margin (or "LIBOR floor" as provided in the following proviso) applicable to such Term B Loans shall be increased such that after giving effect to such increase, the Pari Yield Differential shall not exceed 0.50%; provided that, to the extent any portion of the Pari Yield Differential is attributable to a higher "LIBOR floor" being applicable to such Pari Term Loans, such floor shall only be included in the calculation of the Pari Yield Differential to the extent such floor is greater than the Adjusted LIBO Rate in effect for an Interest Period of three months' duration at such time, and, with respect to such excess, the "LIBOR floor" applicable to such outstanding Term B Loans shall be increased to an amount not to exceed the "LIBOR floor" applicable to such Pari Term Loans prior to any increase in the Applicable Margin applicable to such Term B Loans.

Section 6.03 <u>Sale and Lease-Back Transactions</u>. Enter into any arrangement, directly or indirectly, with any person whereby it shall sell or transfer any property, real or personal, used or useful in its business, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, and thereafter, as part of such transaction, rent or lease such property or other property that it intends to use for substantially the same purpose or

purposes as the property being sold or transferred (a "<u>Sale and Lease-Back Transaction</u>"); <u>provided</u>, that a Sale and Lease-Back Transaction shall be permitted (a) with respect to (i) Excluded Property, (ii) property owned by the Borrower or any Subsidiary Loan Party that is acquired after the Closing Date so long as such Sale and Lease-Back Transaction is consummated within 365 days of the acquisition of such property or (iii) property owned by any Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party regardless of when such property was acquired, and (b) with respect to any other property owned by the Borrower or any Subsidiary Loan Party, (x) if such Sale and Lease-Back Transaction is of property owned by the Borrower or any Subsidiary Loan Party as of the Closing Date, the Net Proceeds therefrom are used to prepay the Term Loans to the extent required by Section 2.11(b) and (y) with respect to any Sale and Lease-Back Transaction pursuant to this clause (b) with Net Proceeds in excess of \$5,000,000 individually or \$10,000,000 in the aggregate in any fiscal year, the requirements of the second to last paragraph of Section 6.05 shall apply to such Sale and Lease-Back Transaction to the extent provided therein.

Section 6.04 <u>Investments, Loans and Advances</u>. (i) Purchase or acquire (including pursuant to any merger with a person that is not a Wholly Owned Subsidiary immediately prior to such merger) any Equity Interests, evidences of Indebtedness or other securities of any other person, (ii) make any loans or advances to or Guarantees of the Indebtedness of any other person (other than in respect of (A) intercompany liabilities incurred in connection with the cash management, tax and accounting operations of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries and (B) intercompany loans, advances or Indebtedness having a term not exceeding 364 days (inclusive of any roll-overs or extensions of terms) and made in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice), or (iii) purchase or otherwise acquire, in one transaction or a series of related transactions, (x) all or substantially all of the property and assets or business of another person or (y) assets constituting a business unit, line of business or division of such person (each of the foregoing, an "<u>Investment</u>"), except:

#### (a) the Transactions:

- (b) (i) Investments by the Borrower or any Subsidiary in the Equity Interests of the Borrower or any Subsidiary (or any entity that will become a Subsidiary as a result of such Investment); (ii) intercompany loans from the Borrower or any Subsidiary to the Borrower or any Subsidiary; and (iii) Guarantees by the Borrower or any Subsidiary of Indebtedness otherwise permitted hereunder of the Borrower or any Subsidiary; provided that, as at any date of determination, the aggregate outstanding amount (valued at the time of the making thereof, and without giving effect to any subsequent change in value) of (A) Investments made after the Closing Date by the Loan Parties pursuant to subclause (i) in Subsidiaries that are not Subsidiary Loan Parties to Subsidiaries that are not Subsidiary Loan Parties pursuant to subclause (ii), plus (C) outstanding Guarantees by the Loan Parties of Indebtedness after the Closing Date of Subsidiaries that are not Subsidiary Loan Parties pursuant to subclause (iii) shall not exceed \$15,000,000;
  - (c) Permitted Investments and Investments that were Permitted Investments when made;
- (d) Investments arising out of the receipt by the Borrower or any Subsidiary of non-cash consideration for the Disposition of assets permitted under Section 6.05;
- (e) loans and advances to, or Guarantees of Indebtedness of, officers, directors, employees or consultants of the Borrower or any Subsidiary (i) in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice in an aggregate outstanding amount (valued at the time of the making thereof, and without giving effect to any subsequent change in value) not to exceed \$10,000,000, (ii) in respect of payroll payments and expenses in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice, (iii) for business-related travel expenses, moving expenses and other similar expenses, in each case, incurred in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice and (iv) in connection with such person's purchase of Equity Interests of the Borrower solely to the extent that the amount of such loans and advances shall be contributed to the Borrower in cash as common equity;

- (f) accounts receivable, security deposits and prepayments arising and trade credit granted in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice and any assets or securities received in satisfaction or partial satisfaction thereof from financially troubled account debtors to the extent reasonably necessary in order to prevent or limit loss and any prepayments and other credits to suppliers made in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice;
  - (g) Hedging Agreements entered into for non-speculative purposes and Permitted Call Spread Agreements;
- (h) Investments existing on, or contractually committed as of, the Closing Date and set forth on <u>Schedule 6.04</u> and any extensions, renewals, replacements or reinvestments thereof, so long as the aggregate amount of all Investments pursuant to this clause (h) is not increased at any time above the amount of such Investment existing or committed on the Closing Date (other than pursuant to an increase as required by the terms of any such Investment or contractual commitment as in existence on the Closing Date or as otherwise permitted by this Section 6.04);
  - (i) Investments resulting from pledges and deposits under Sections 6.02(f), (g), (o), (r), (s), (ee) and (ll);
- (j) Investments by the Borrower or any Subsidiary in an aggregate outstanding amount (valued at the time of the making thereof, and without giving effect to any subsequent change in value) not to exceed the sum of (X) the greater of \$20,000,000 and 0.20 times the EBITDA calculated on a Pro Forma Basis for the then most recently ended Test Period, and <u>plus</u> (Y) so long as no Event of Default under Section 7.01(b), (c), (h) or (i) shall have occurred and be continuing or would result from such Investment, any portion of the Cumulative Credit on the date of such election that the Borrower elects to apply to this Section 6.04(j)(Y), which such election shall be set forth in a written notice of a Responsible Officer thereof, which notice shall set forth calculations in reasonable detail the amount of Cumulative Credit immediately prior to such election and the amount thereof elected to be so applied; <u>provided</u> that if any Investment pursuant to this Section 6.04(j) is made in any person that was not a Subsidiary on the date on which such Investment was made but becomes a Subsidiary thereafter, then such Investment may, at the option of the Borrower, upon such person becoming a Subsidiary and so long as such person remains a Subsidiary, be deemed to have been made pursuant to Section 6.04(b) (to the extent permitted by the proviso thereto in the case of any Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party) and not in reliance on this Section 6.04(j);
- (k) Investments constituting Permitted Acquisitions; <u>provided</u> that, as at any date of determination, the aggregate outstanding amount (valued at the time of the making thereof, and without giving effect to any subsequent change in value) of Permitted Acquisitions of Subsidiaries that are not Subsidiary Loan Parties or of assets that are not owned by Subsidiary Loan Parties shall not exceed \$40,000,000;
- (l) intercompany loans between Subsidiaries that are not Loan Parties and Guarantees by Subsidiaries that are not Loan Parties permitted by Section 6.01(m);
- (m) Investments received in connection with the bankruptcy or reorganization of, or settlement of delinquent accounts and disputes with or judgments against, customers and suppliers, in each case in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice or Investments acquired by the Borrower or a Subsidiary as a result of a foreclosure by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries with respect to any secured Investments or other transfer of title with respect to any secured Investment in default;

- (n) Investments of a Subsidiary acquired after the Closing Date or of a person merged into the Borrower or merged into or consolidated with a Subsidiary after the Closing Date, in each case, (i) to the extent such acquisition, merger or consolidation is permitted under this Section 6.04, (ii) in the case of any acquisition, merger or consolidation, in accordance with Section 6.05 and (iii) to the extent that such Investments were not made in contemplation of or in connection with such acquisition, merger or consolidation and were in existence on the date of such acquisition, merger or consolidation;
- (o) acquisitions by the Borrower of obligations of one or more officers or other employees of the Borrower or its Subsidiaries in connection with such officer's or employee's acquisition of Equity Interests of the Borrower, so long as no cash is actually advanced by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries to such officers or employees in connection with the acquisition of any such obligations;
- (p) Guarantees by the Borrower or any Subsidiary of operating leases (other than Capitalized Lease Obligations) or of other obligations that do not constitute Indebtedness, in each case entered into by the Borrower or any Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice;
- (q) Investments to the extent that payment for such Investments is made with Equity Interests of the Borrower; <u>provided</u>, that the issuance of such Equity Interests are not included in any determination of the Cumulative Credit;
- (r) Investments in the Equity Interests of one or more newly formed persons that are received in consideration of the contribution by the Borrower or the applicable Subsidiary of assets (including Equity Interests and cash) to such person or persons; provided, that (i) the fair market value of such assets, determined in good faith by the Borrower, so contributed pursuant to this clause (r) shall not in the aggregate exceed \$10,000,000 and (ii) in respect of each such contribution, a Responsible Officer of the Borrower shall certify, in a form to be agreed upon by the Borrower and the Administrative Agent (x) immediately after giving effect to such contribution, no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or would result therefrom, (y) the fair market value (as determined in good faith by the Borrower) of the assets so contributed and (z) that the requirements of clause (i) of this proviso remain satisfied;
  - (s) Investments consisting of Restricted Payments permitted under Section 6.06;
- (t) Investments in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice consisting of Uniform Commercial Code Article 3 endorsements for collection or deposit and Uniform Commercial Code Article 4 customary trade arrangements with customers;
  - (u) [reserved]:
  - (v) Guarantees permitted under Section 6.01 (except to the extent such Guarantee is expressly subject to this Section 6.04);
- (w) advances in the form of a prepayment of expenses, so long as such expenses are being paid in accordance with customary trade terms of the Borrower or such Subsidiary;

- (x) Investments by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, including loans to any direct or indirect parent of the Borrower, if the Borrower or any other Subsidiary would otherwise be permitted to make a Restricted Payment in such amount (<u>provided</u>, that the amount of any such Investment shall also be deemed to be a Restricted Payment under the appropriate clause of Section 6.06 for all purposes of this Agreement);
  - (y) Investments consisting of Securitization Assets or arising as a result of Permitted Securitization Financings;
- (z) loans or advances to members representing their deferred initiation deposits or fees, arising in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice;
- (aa) to the extent constituting Investments, purchases and acquisitions of inventory, supplies, materials and equipment or purchases of contract rights or licenses or leases of Intellectual Property in each case in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice;
  - (bb) [reserved];
- (cc) Investments in joint ventures; <u>provided</u> that the aggregate outstanding amount (valued at the time of the making thereof, and without giving effect to any subsequent changes in value) of Investments made after the Closing Date pursuant to this Section 6.04(cc) shall not exceed the greater of \$40,000,000 and 0.40 times the EBITDA calculated on a Pro Forma Basis for the then most recently ended Test Period; <u>provided</u>, that if any Investment pursuant to this Section 6.04(cc) is made in any person that was not a Subsidiary on the date on which such Investment was made but becomes a Subsidiary thereafter, then such Investment may, at the option of the Borrower, upon such person becoming a Subsidiary and so long as such person remains a Subsidiary, be deemed to have been made pursuant to Section 6.04(b) (to the extent permitted by the proviso thereto in the case of any Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party) and not in reliance on this Section 6.04(cc);

## (dd) [reserved];

- (ee) Investments in any Unrestricted Subsidiaries after giving effect to the applicable Investments, in an aggregate outstanding amount (valued at the time of the making thereof, and without giving effect to any subsequent changes in value) not to exceed \$15,000,000; provided, that if any Investment pursuant to this Section 6.04(ee) is made in any person that was not a Subsidiary on the date on which such Investment was made but becomes a Subsidiary thereafter, then such Investment may, at the option of the Borrower, upon such person becoming a Subsidiary and so long as such person remains a Subsidiary, be deemed to have been made pursuant to Section 6.04(b) (to the extent permitted by the proviso thereto in the case of any Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party) and not in reliance on this Section 6.04(ee);
- (ff) any Investment so long as, immediately after giving effect to such Investment, the Net Total Leverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis would not exceed 1.10 to 1.00; <u>provided</u> that no Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing;
  - (gg) Investments made in connection with the Transactions; and
- (hh) Investments made (i) in connection with the exercise of any subscriptions, options, warrants, calls, puts or other rights or commitments pursuant to agreements set forth on <u>Schedule 3.08(b)</u> or (ii) in satisfaction of obligations under joint venture agreements existing on the Closing Date.

The amount of Investments that may be made at any time pursuant to the proviso in Section 6.04(b), Section 6.04(j) or Section 6.04(k) (such Sections, the "Related Sections") may, at the election of the Borrower, be increased by the amount of Investments that could be made at such time under the other Related Section; <u>provided</u>, that the amount of each such increase in respect of one Related Section shall be treated as having been used under the other Related Section.

Any Investment in any person other than the Borrower or a Subsidiary Loan Party that is otherwise permitted by this Section 6.04 may be made through intermediate Investments in Subsidiaries that are not Loan Parties and such intermediate Investments shall be disregarded for purposes of determining the outstanding amount of Investments pursuant to any clause set forth above.

The amount of any Investment made other than in the form of cash or cash equivalents shall be the fair market value thereof, which shall be determined in good faith by the Borrower and may be determined either, at the option of the Borrower, at the time of such Investment or as of the date of the definitive agreement with respect to such Investment, and without giving effect to any subsequent change in value.

The amount of any Investment outstanding at any time shall be the original cost of such Investment, reduced by any returns (including dividends, interest, distributions, returns of principal, profits on sale, repayments, income and similar amounts) actually received in respect of any such Investment.

For purposes of determining compliance with this covenant, (A) an Investment need not be permitted solely by reference to one category of permitted Investments (or any portion thereof) described in the above clauses but may be permitted in part under any combination thereof and (B) in the event that an Investment (or any portion thereof) meets the criteria of one or more of the categories of permitted Investments (or any portion thereof) described in the above clauses, the Borrower may, in its sole discretion, divide, classify or reclassify, or later divide, classify or reclassify, such permitted Investment (or any portion thereof) in any manner that complies with this covenant and at the time of division, classification or reclassification will be entitled to only include the amount and type of such Investment (or any portion thereof) in one of the categories of permitted Investments (or any portion thereof) described in the above clauses.

Section 6.05 <u>Mergers, Consolidations, Sales of Assets and Acquisitions</u>. Merge into or consolidate with any other person, or permit any other person to merge into or consolidate with it, or Dispose of (in one transaction or in a series of related transactions) all or any part of its assets (whether now owned or hereafter acquired), or Dispose of any Equity Interests of any Subsidiary, or purchase, lease or otherwise acquire (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) all of the assets of any other person or division or line of business of a person, except that this Section 6.05 shall not prohibit:

(a) (i) the purchase and Disposition of inventory, or the sale of receivables pursuant to non-recourse factoring arrangements, in each case in the ordinary course of business by the Borrower or any Subsidiary or the conversion of accounts receivable to notes receivable, (ii) the acquisition or lease (pursuant to an operating lease) of any other asset in the ordinary course of business by the Borrower or any Subsidiary or, with respect to operating leases, otherwise for fair market value on market terms (as determined in good faith by the Borrower), (iii) the Disposition of surplus, obsolete, damaged or worn out equipment or other property by the Borrower or any Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice or determined in good faith by the Borrower to be no longer used or useful or necessary in the operation of the business of the Borrower or any Subsidiary, or (iv) the Disposition of Permitted Investments in the ordinary course of business;

- (b) if at the time thereof and immediately after giving effect thereto no Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or would result therefrom, (i) the merger or consolidation of any Subsidiary with or into the Borrower in a transaction in which the Borrower is the survivor, (ii) the merger or consolidation of any Subsidiary with or into any Subsidiary Loan Party in a transaction in which the surviving or resulting entity is or becomes a Subsidiary Loan Party and, in the case of each of clauses (i) and (ii), no person other than the Borrower or a Subsidiary Loan Party receives any consideration (unless otherwise permitted by Section 6.04), (iii) the merger or consolidation of any Subsidiary that is not a Subsidiary Loan Party with or into any other Subsidiary that is not a Subsidiary Loan Party, (iv) the liquidation or dissolution or change in form of entity of any Subsidiary, if the Borrower determines in good faith that such liquidation, dissolution or change in form is advisable or in the best interests of the Borrower and is not materially disadvantageous to the Lenders, (v) any Subsidiary may merge or consolidate with any other person in order to effect an Investment permitted pursuant to Section 6.04 so long as the continuing or surviving person shall be a Subsidiary (unless otherwise permitted by Section 6.04), which shall be a Loan Party if the merging or consolidating Subsidiary was a Loan Party (unless otherwise permitted by Section 6.04) and which together with each of its Subsidiaries shall have complied with any applicable requirements of Section 5.10 or (vi) any Subsidiary may merge or consolidate with any other person in order to effect an Asset Sale otherwise permitted pursuant to this Section 6.05;
- (c) Dispositions to the Borrower or a Subsidiary (upon voluntary liquidation or otherwise); <u>provided</u>, that any Dispositions by a Loan Party to a Subsidiary that is not a Subsidiary Loan Party in reliance on this clause (c) shall be made in compliance with Section 6.04;
  - (d) Sale and Lease-Back Transactions permitted by Section 6.03;
- (e) (i) Investments permitted by Section 6.04, Permitted Liens and Restricted Payments permitted by Section 6.06 and (ii) any Disposition made pursuant to the Transaction Documents or in connection with the Transactions;
  - (f) Dispositions of defaulted receivables in the ordinary course of business and not as part of an accounts receivables financing transaction;
- (g) other Dispositions of assets; <u>provided</u>, that the Net Proceeds thereof, if any, are applied in accordance with Section 2.11(b) to the extent required thereby;
- (h) Permitted Acquisitions (including any merger, consolidation or amalgamation in order to effect a Permitted Acquisition); <u>provided</u>, that following any such merger, consolidation or amalgamation involving the Borrower, the Borrower is the surviving entity or the requirements of Section 6.05(o) are otherwise complied with;
- (i) leases, assignments, licenses or subleases or sublicenses of any real or personal property in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice;
- (j) Dispositions of inventory or sales, transfers, dedication to the public, abandonment or other Dispositions of Intellectual Property of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries determined by the management of the Borrower, in its reasonable business judgment, to be no longer useful or necessary in the operation of the business of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries;
- (k) acquisitions and purchases made with the proceeds of any Asset Sale pursuant to the first proviso of clause (a) of the definition of "Net Proceeds";

- (l) the purchase and Disposition (including by capital contribution) of (i) Securitization Assets including pursuant to Permitted Securitization Financings and (ii) any other Securitization Assets subject to Liens securing Permitted Securitization Financing;
- (m) to the extent constituting a Disposition, any termination, settlement, extinguishment or unwinding of obligations in respect of any Hedging Agreement;
- (n) any exchange of assets for services and/or other assets used or useful in a Similar Business of comparable or greater value; provided, that (i) to the extent the consideration received consists of assets, at least 90% of the consideration received by the transferor consists of assets that will be used in a business or business activity permitted hereunder, (ii) in the event of a swap with a fair market value (as determined in good faith by the Borrower) in excess of \$5,000,000, the Administrative Agent shall have received a certificate from a Responsible Officer of the Borrower with respect to such fair market value and (iii) in the event of a swap with a fair market value (as determined in good faith by the Borrower) in excess of \$10,000,000, such exchange shall have been approved by at least a majority of the Board of Directors of the Borrower; provided, further, that (A) no Default or Event of Default exists or would result therefrom, (B) the Net Proceeds, if any, thereof are applied in accordance with Section 2.11(b) to the extent required thereby and (C) with respect to any exchange of assets for services, immediately after giving effect thereto, the Borrower shall be in Pro Forma Compliance;
- (o) if at the time thereof and immediately after giving effect thereto no Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or would result therefrom, any Subsidiary or any other person may be merged, amalgamated or consolidated with or into the Borrower, provided that (A) the Borrower shall be the surviving entity or (B) if the surviving entity is not the Borrower (such other person, the "Successor Borrower"), (1) the Successor Borrower shall be an entity organized or existing under the laws of the United States, any state thereof, the District of Columbia or any territory thereof, (2) the Successor Borrower shall expressly assume all the obligations of the Borrower under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents pursuant to a supplement hereto or thereto in form reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, (3) each Guarantor, unless it is the other party to such merger or consolidation, shall have by a supplement to the Subsidiary Guarantee Agreement confirmed that its guarantee thereunder shall apply to any Successor Borrower's obligations under this Agreement, (4) each Subsidiary Loan Party, unless it is the other party to such merger or consolidation, shall have by a supplement to any applicable Security Document affirmed that its obligations thereunder shall apply to its guarantee as reaffirmed pursuant to clause (3), (5) each mortgagor of a Mortgaged Property, unless it is the other party to such merger or consolidation, shall have affirmed that its obligations under the applicable Mortgage shall apply to its guarantee as reaffirmed pursuant to clause (3) and (6) the Successor Borrower shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent (x) an officer's certificate stating that such merger or consolidation does not violate this Agreement or any other Loan Document and (y) if requested by the Administrative Agent, an opinion of counsel to the effect that such merger or consolidation does not violate this Agreement or any other Loan Document and covering such other matters as are contemplated by the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement to be covered in opinions of counsel (it being understood that if the foregoing are satisfied, the Successor Borrower will succeed to, and be substituted for, the Borrower under this Agreement); and
- (p) Dispositions in connection with the exercise of any subscriptions, options, warrants, puts, calls or other rights or commitments pursuant to agreements set forth on <u>Schedule 3.08(b)</u>.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in Section 6.05 above, no Disposition of assets under Section 6.05(g) or, solely with respect to Sale and Lease-Back Transactions referred to in clause (b)(y) of Section 6.03, under Section 6.05(d), shall be permitted unless (i) such Disposition is for fair market value (as determined in good faith by the Borrower), or if not for fair market value, the shortfall is permitted as an Investment under Section 6.04, (ii) no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or would result therefrom and (iii) at least 75% of the proceeds of such Disposition (except to Loan Parties) consist of cash or Permitted Investments; provided, that the provisions of this clause (iii) shall not apply to any individual transaction or series of related transactions involving assets with a fair market value (as determined in good faith by the Borrower) of less than \$10,000,000 or to other transactions involving assets with a fair market value (as determined in good faith by the Borrower) of not more than the greater of \$20,000,000 and 0.20 times the EBITDA calculated on a Pro Forma Basis for the then most recently ended Test Period in the aggregate for all such transactions during the term of this Agreement; provided, further, that for purposes of this clause (iii), each of the following shall be deemed to be cash: (a) the amount of any liabilities (as shown on the Borrower's or such Subsidiary's most recent balance sheet or in the notes thereto) that are assumed by the transferee of any such assets or are otherwise cancelled in connection with such transaction, (b) any notes or other obligations or other securities or assets received by the Borrower or such Subsidiary from the transferee that are converted by the Borrower or such Subsidiary into cash within 180 days after receipt thereof (to the extent of the cash received), (c) any Designated Non-Cash Consideration received by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries in such Disposition having an aggregate fair market value (as determined in good faith by the Borrower), taken together with all other Designated Non-Cash Consideration received pursuant to this clause (c) that is at that time outstanding, not to exceed the greater of \$50,000,000 and 0.50 times the EBITDA calculated on a Pro Forma Basis for the Test Period ended immediately prior to the receipt of such Designated Non-Cash Consideration (with the fair market value of each item of Designated Non-Cash Consideration being measured at the time received and without giving effect to subsequent changes in value), (d) the amount of Indebtedness of any Subsidiary that is no longer a Subsidiary as a result of such Asset Sale, to the extent that the Borrower and each other Subsidiary are released from any guarantee of payment of such Indebtedness in connection with the Asset Sale and (e) consideration consisting of Indebtedness of the Borrower or a Subsidiary (other than Indebtedness that is subordinated in right of payment to the Loan Obligations) received from persons who are not the Borrower or a Subsidiary in connection with the Asset Sale and that is cancelled.

For purposes of this Agreement, the fair market value of any assets acquired, leased, exchanged, Disposed of, sold, conveyed or transferred by the Borrower or any Subsidiary shall be determined in good faith by the Borrower and may be determined either, at the option of the Borrower, at the time of such acquisition, lease, exchange, Disposition, sale, conveyance or transfer, as applicable, or as of the date of the definitive agreement with respect to such acquisition, lease, exchange, Disposition, sale, conveyance or transfer, as applicable.

Section 6.06 <u>Dividends and Distributions</u>. Declare or pay, directly or indirectly, any dividend or make, directly or indirectly, any other distribution (by reduction of capital or otherwise), whether in cash, property, securities or a combination thereof, with respect to any of its Equity Interests (other than dividends and distributions on Equity Interests payable solely by the issuance of additional Equity Interests (other than Disqualified Stock) of the person paying such dividends or distributions) or directly or indirectly redeem, purchase, retire or otherwise acquire for value (or permit any Subsidiary to purchase or acquire) any of the Borrower's Equity Interests or set aside any amount for any such purpose (other than through the issuance of additional Equity Interests (other than Disqualified Stock) of the person redeeming, purchasing, retiring or acquiring such shares) (all of the foregoing, "Restricted Payments"); provided, however, that:

- (a) Restricted Payments may be made to the Borrower or any Wholly Owned Subsidiary of the Borrower (or, in the case of non-Wholly Owned Subsidiaries, to the Borrower or any Subsidiary that is a direct or indirect parent of such Subsidiary and to each other owner of Equity Interests of such Subsidiary on a pro rata basis (or more favorable basis from the perspective of the Borrower or such Subsidiary) based on their relative ownership interests);
- (b) Restricted Payments may be made in respect of (i) general corporate operating and overhead, legal, accounting and other professional fees and expenses of any Parent Entity, (ii) fees and expenses related to any public offering or private placement of Equity Interests or Indebtedness of any Parent Entity whether or not consummated, (iii) franchise and similar taxes and other fees and expenses in connection with the maintenance of any Parent Entity's existence and any Parent Entity's ownership of the Borrower, (iv) payments permitted by Section 6.07(b) (other than Section 6.07(b) (vii)), (v) in respect of any taxable period for which the Borrower and/or any of its Subsidiaries are members of a consolidated, combined, affiliated, unitary or similar tax group for U.S. federal and/or applicable state, local or foreign tax purposes of which a direct or indirect parent of the Borrower is the common parent, or for which the Borrower is a disregarded entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes that is wholly owned (directly or indirectly) by a C corporation for U.S. federal and/or applicable state, local or foreign tax purposes, Restricted Payments to any direct or indirect parent of the Borrower in an amount not to exceed the amount of any U.S. federal, state, local and/or foreign income taxes that the Borrower and/or its Subsidiaries, as applicable, would have paid for such taxable period had the Borrower and/or its Subsidiaries, as applicable, been a stand-alone corporate taxpayer or a stand-alone corporate group (without duplication, for the avoidance of doubt, of any amount of such taxes actually directly paid by the Borrower and/or any of its Subsidiaries to the relevant taxing authority, if any) and (vi) customary salary, bonus, severance and other benefits payable to, and indemnities provided on behalf of, officers, directors, employees and consultants of any Parent Entity, in each case in order to permit any Parent Entity to make such payments; provided, that in the case of subclauses (i) and (iii), the amount of such Restricted Payments shall not exceed the portion of any amounts referred to in such subclauses (i) and (iii) that are allocable to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries (which (x) shall be 100% at any time that, as the case may be, any Parent Entity owns no material assets other than the Equity Interests of the Borrower or any other Parent Entity and assets incidental to such equity ownership and (y) in all other cases shall be as determined in good faith by the Borrower);
- (c) Restricted Payments may be made, the proceeds of which are used to purchase or redeem the Equity Interests of the Borrower (including related stock appreciation rights or similar securities) held by then present or former directors, consultants, officers or employees of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries or by any Plan or any shareholders' agreement then in effect upon such person's death, disability, retirement or termination of employment or under the terms of any such Plan or any other agreement under which such shares of stock or related rights were issued; provided, that the aggregate amount of such purchases or redemptions under this clause (c) shall not exceed in any fiscal year \$15,000,000 (plus (x) the amount of net proceeds contributed to the Borrower that were (x) received by the Borrower during such calendar year from sales of Equity Interests of the Borrower to directors, consultants, officers or employees of the Borrower or any Subsidiary in connection with permitted employee compensation and incentive arrangements; provided, that such proceeds are not included in any determination of the Cumulative Credit, (y) the amount of net proceeds of any key-man life insurance policies received during such calendar year, and (z) the amount of any cash bonuses otherwise payable to members of management, directors or consultants of the Borrower or the Subsidiaries in connection with the Transactions that are foregone in return for the receipt of Equity Interests), which, if not used in any year, may be carried forward to any subsequent calendar year; and provided, further, that cancellation of Indebtedness owing to the Borrower or any Subsidiary from members of management of the Borrower or its Subsidiaries in connection with a repurchase of Equity Interests of the Borrower will not be deemed to constitute a Restricted Payment for purposes of this Section 6.06;

- (d) any person may make non-cash repurchases of Equity Interests deemed to occur upon exercise of stock options if such Equity Interests represent a portion of the exercise price of such options;
- (e) Restricted Payments may be made in an aggregate amount equal to a portion of the Cumulative Credit on the date of such election that the Borrower elects to apply to this Section 6.06(e), which such election shall be set forth in a written notice of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower, which notice shall set forth calculations in reasonable detail the amount of Cumulative Credit immediately prior to such election and the amount thereof elected to be so applied; provided that no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or would result from such Restricted Payment and, after giving effect to such Restricted Payment, the Net Total Leverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis would not exceed 2.45 to 1.00;
- (f) Restricted Payments may be made in connection with the consummation of the Transactions, including the Nuance Transfer, and as required under the Tax Matters Agreement;
- (g) Restricted Payments may be made to pay, in cash, in lieu of the issuance of fractional shares, upon the exercise of warrants or upon the conversion or exchange of Equity Interests of any such person;
  - (h) [reserved]:
- (i) Restricted Payments may be made to any Parent Entity to finance any Investment that if made by the Borrower or any Subsidiary directly would be permitted to be made pursuant to Section 6.04; <u>provided</u>, that (A) such Restricted Payment shall be made substantially concurrently with the closing of such Investment and (B) such parent shall, immediately following the closing thereof, cause (1) all property acquired (whether assets or Equity Interests) to be contributed to the Borrower or a Subsidiary or (2) the merger, consolidation or amalgamation (to the extent permitted in Section 6.05) of the person formed or acquired into the Borrower or a Subsidiary in order to consummate such Permitted Acquisition or Investment, in each case, in accordance with the requirements of Section 5.10;
- (j) Restricted Payments may be made in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$15,000,000; <u>provided</u> that no Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or would result therefrom;
  - (k) [reserved];
  - (1) Restricted Payments may be made in an aggregate amount not to exceed the aggregate amount of Excluded Contributions;
- (m) any Restricted Payment may be made so long as no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would result therefrom and, after giving effect to such Restricted Payment, the Net Total Leverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis would not exceed 0.85 to 1.00; and
  - (n) any consideration, payment, dividend, distribution or other transfer in connection with a Permitted Securitization Financing.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the foregoing provisions of Section 6.06 will not prohibit the payment of any Restricted Payment or the consummation of any redemption, purchase, defeasance or other payment within 60 days after the date of declaration thereof or the giving of notice, as applicable, if at the date of declaration or the giving of such notice such Restricted Payment or redemption, purchased, defeasance or other payment would have complied with the provisions of this Agreement.

The amount of any Restricted Payment made other than in the form of cash or cash equivalents shall be the fair market value thereof, which shall be determined in good faith by the Borrower and may be determined either, at the option of the Borrower, at the time of such Restricted Payment or as of the date of the definitive agreement with respect to such Restricted Payment.

For purposes of determining compliance with this covenant, (A) a Restricted Payment need not be permitted solely by reference to one category of permitted Restricted Payments (or any portion thereof) described in the above clauses but may be permitted in part under any combination thereof and (B) in the event that a Restricted Payment (or any portion thereof) meets the criteria of one or more of the categories of permitted Restricted Payments (or any portion thereof) described in the above clauses, the Borrower may, in its sole discretion, divide, classify or reclassify, or later divide, classify or reclassify, such permitted Restricted Payment (or any portion thereof) in any manner that complies with this covenant and at the time of division, classification or reclassification will be entitled to only include the amount and type of such Restricted Payment (or any portion thereof) in one of the categories of permitted Restricted Payments (or any portion thereof) described in the above clauses.

Section 6.07 <u>Transactions with Affiliates</u>. (a) Sell or transfer any property or assets to, or purchase or acquire any property or assets from, or otherwise engage in any other transaction with, any of its Affiliates (other than the Borrower and the Subsidiaries or any person that becomes a Subsidiary as a result of such transaction) in a transaction (or series of related transactions) involving aggregate consideration in excess of \$10,000,000, unless such transaction is (i) otherwise permitted (or required) under this Agreement or (ii) upon terms that are substantially no less favorable, when taken as a whole, to the Borrower or such Subsidiary, as applicable, than would be obtained in a comparable arm's-length transaction with a person that is not an Affiliate, as determined by the Board of Directors of the Borrower or such Subsidiary in good faith.

- (b) The foregoing clause (a) shall not prohibit, to the extent otherwise permitted under this Agreement,
- (i) any issuance of securities, or other payments, awards or grants in cash, securities or otherwise pursuant to, or the funding of, employment arrangements, equity purchase agreements, stock options and stock ownership plans approved by the Board of Directors of the Borrower or any Parent Entity,
- (ii) loans or advances to employees or consultants of the Borrower (or any Parent Entity) or any of the Subsidiaries in accordance with Section 6.04(e),
- (iii) transactions among the Borrower or any Subsidiary or any entity that becomes a Subsidiary as a result of such transaction (including via merger, consolidation or amalgamation in which the Borrower or a Subsidiary is the surviving entity),
- (iv) the payment of fees, reasonable out-of-pocket costs and indemnities and employment and severance arrangements provided to, or on behalf of or for the benefit of, directors, officers, consultants and employees of the Borrower (or any Parent Entity) and the Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business (limited, in the case of any Parent Entity, to the portion of such fees and expenses that are allocable to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries which (x) shall be 100% for so long as such Parent Entity owns no assets other than the Equity Interests of the Borrower or another Parent Entity and assets incidental to the ownership of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries and (y) in all other cases shall be as determined in good faith by management of the Borrower),

- (v) subject to the limitations set forth in Section 6.07(b)(xiv), if applicable, the Transactions and any transactions pursuant to the Transaction Documents and permitted transactions, agreements and arrangements in existence on the Closing Date and, to the extent involving aggregate consideration in excess of \$5,000,000, set forth on Schedule 6.07 or any amendment thereto or replacement thereof or similar arrangement to the extent such amendment, replacement or arrangement is not materially adverse to the Lenders when taken as a whole (as determined by the Borrower in good faith),
- (vi) (A) any employment agreements entered into by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business, (B) any subscription agreement or similar agreement pertaining to the repurchase of Equity Interests pursuant to put/call rights or similar rights with employees, officers or directors, and (C) any employee compensation, benefit plan or arrangement, any health, disability or similar insurance plan which covers employees, and any reasonable employment contract and transactions pursuant thereto,
  - (vii) Restricted Payments permitted under Section 6.06 and Investments permitted under Section 6.04,
  - (viii) [reserved],
  - (ix) [reserved],
- (x) transactions for the purchase or sale of goods, equipment, products, parts and services entered into in the ordinary course of business,
- (xi) any transaction in respect of which the Borrower delivers to the Administrative Agent a letter addressed to the Board of Directors of the Borrower from an accounting, appraisal or investment banking firm, in each case of nationally recognized standing that is in the good faith determination of the Borrower qualified to render such letter, which letter states that (i) such transaction is on terms that are substantially no less favorable, when taken as a whole, to the Borrower or such Subsidiary, as applicable, than would be obtained in a comparable arm's-length transaction with a person that is not an Affiliate or (ii) such transaction is fair, when taken as a whole, to the Borrower or such Subsidiary, as applicable, from a financial point of view,
- (xii) subject to subclause (xiv) below, if applicable, the payment of all fees, expenses, bonuses and awards related to the Transactions.
- (xiii) transactions with joint ventures for the purchase or sale of goods, equipment, products, parts and services entered into in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice,
  - (xiv) [reserved],
- (xv) the issuance, sale or transfer of Equity Interests of the Borrower or any Subsidiary and capital contributions to the Borrower or any Subsidiary,
- (xvi) the issuance, sale or transfer of Equity Interests to the management of the Borrower or any Subsidiary in connection with the Transactions.

(xvii) payments by the Borrower and the Subsidiaries pursuant to a tax sharing agreement or arrangement (whether written or as a matter of practice) that complies with clause (v) of Section 6.06(b),

(xviii) transactions pursuant to any Permitted Securitization Financing,

- (xix) payments, loans (or cancellation of loans) or advances to employees or consultants that are (i) approved by a majority of the Disinterested Directors of the Borrower in good faith, (ii) made in compliance with applicable law and (iii) otherwise permitted under this Agreement,
- (xx) transactions with customers, clients or suppliers, or purchasers or sellers of goods or services, in each case in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice otherwise in compliance with the terms of this Agreement that are fair to the Borrower or the Subsidiaries (in the good faith determination of the Borrower),
- (xxi) transactions between the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries and any person, a director of which is also a director of the Borrower or any direct or indirect parent company of the Borrower; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that (A) such director abstains from voting as a director of the Borrower or such direct or indirect parent company, as the case may be, on any matter involving such other person and (B) such person is not an Affiliate of the Borrower for any reason other than such director's acting in such capacity,
  - (xxii) transactions permitted by, and complying with, the provisions of Section 6.05, and
- (xxiii) intercompany transactions undertaken in good faith (as certified by a Responsible Officer of the Borrower) for the purpose of improving the consolidated tax efficiency of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries and not for the purpose of circumventing any covenant set forth herein.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Nuance and its Subsidiaries shall not be considered an Affiliate of the Borrower or its Subsidiaries with respect to any transaction, so long as such transaction is in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to the Separation and Distribution Agreement, the Tax Matters Agreement or the Transition Services Agreement entered into with the Borrower and/or its Subsidiaries or, in each case, amendments, modifications or supplements thereto or replacements thereof that are not materially adverse, taken as a whole, to the Borrower or its Subsidiaries (as determined by the Borrower in good faith).

Section 6.08 <u>Business of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries</u>. Notwithstanding any other provisions hereof, engage at any time to any material respect in any business or business activity substantially different from any business or business activity conducted by any of them on the Closing Date or any Similar Business, and in the case of a Special Purpose Securitization Subsidiary, Permitted Securitization Financings.

Section 6.09 <u>Limitation on Payments and Modifications of Indebtedness; Modifications of Certificate of Incorporation, By-Laws and Certain Other Agreements; etc.</u> (a) Amend or modify in any manner materially adverse to the Lenders when taken as a whole (as determined in good faith by the Borrower), or grant any waiver or release under or terminate in any manner (if such granting or termination shall be materially adverse to the Lenders when taken as a whole (as determined in good faith by the Borrower)), the articles or certificate of incorporation, by-laws, limited liability company operating agreement, partnership agreement or other organizational documents of the Borrower or any of the Subsidiary Loan Parties.

- (b) (i) Make, directly or indirectly, any payment or other distribution (whether in cash, securities or other property) of, or in respect of, principal of or interest on any Junior Financing, or any payment or other distribution (whether in cash, securities or other property), including any sinking fund or similar deposit, on account of the purchase, redemption, retirement, acquisition, cancellation or termination in respect of any Junior Financing, except for:
  - (A) Refinancings with any Indebtedness permitted to be incurred under Section 6.01;
  - (B) payments of regularly-scheduled interest and fees due thereunder, other non-principal payments thereunder, any mandatory prepayments of principal, interest and fees thereunder, scheduled payments thereon necessary to avoid the Junior Financing from constituting "applicable high yield discount obligations" within the meaning of Section 163(i)(l) of the Code, and, to the extent this Agreement is then in effect, principal on the scheduled maturity date of any Junior Financing (or within twelve months thereof);
  - (C) payments or distributions in respect of all or any portion of the Junior Financing with the proceeds contributed to the Borrower from the issuance, sale or exchange of Equity Interests that are not Disqualified Stock; <u>provided</u>, that such proceeds are not included in any determination of the Cumulative Credit;
    - (D) the conversion of any Junior Financing to Equity Interests of the Borrower;
  - (E) so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, payments or distributions in respect of Junior Financings prior to any scheduled maturity made, in an aggregate amount, not to exceed a portion of the Cumulative Credit on the date of such election that the Borrower elects to apply to this Section 6.09(b)(i)(E), which such election shall be set forth in a written notice of a Responsible Officer thereof, which notice shall set forth calculations in reasonable detail of the amount of Cumulative Credit immediately prior to such election and the amount thereof elected to be so applied; provided, that no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing and after giving effect to such Restricted Payment, the Net Total Leverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis would not exceed 2.45 to 1.00.
  - (F) payments and distributions in an aggregate amount (valued at the time of the making thereof, and without giving effect to any subsequent change in value) not to exceed \$15,000,000; provided, that no Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing;
  - (G) any Net Share Settlement in respect of Convertible Securities constituting Junior Financing in an amount not to exceed the outstanding principal amount of the Convertible Securities acquired upon the conversion for which such Net Share Settlement is paid; provided that, after giving effect to such Net Share Settlement, the aggregate amount of (x) the Borrower's total unrestricted cash (calculated in a manner consistent with the consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower required to be furnished to the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 5.04) plus (y) the difference between the Revolving Facility Commitment and the Revolving Facility Credit Exposure, shall not be less than \$25,000,000 as of the date of such Net Share Settlement; and

- (H) any payment or distribution in respect of Junior Financing may be made so long as no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would result therefrom and, after giving effect to such payment or distribution, the Net Total Leverage Ratio on a Pro Forma Basis would not exceed 0.85 to 1.00.
- (ii) Amend or modify, or permit the amendment or modification of, any provision of any Junior Financing that constitutes Material Indebtedness, or any agreement, document or instrument evidencing or relating thereto, other than amendments or modifications that (A) are not materially adverse to Lenders when taken as a whole (as determined in good faith by the Borrower) and that do not affect the subordination or payment provisions thereof (if any) in a manner adverse to the Lenders when taken as a whole (as determined in good faith by the Borrower) or (B) otherwise comply with the definition of "Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness."
- (c) Permit any Material Subsidiary to enter into any agreement or instrument that by its terms restricts (i) the payment of dividends or distributions or the making of cash advances to the Borrower or any Subsidiary that is a direct or indirect parent of such Subsidiary or (ii) the granting of Liens by the Borrower or such Material Subsidiary that is a Loan Party pursuant to the Security Documents, in each case other than those arising under any Loan Document, except, in each case, restrictions existing by reason of:
  - (A) restrictions imposed by applicable law;
- (B) contractual encumbrances or restrictions in effect on the Closing Date, including under Indebtedness existing on the Closing Date and set forth on <u>Schedule 6.01</u>, any Refinancing Notes or any agreements related to any Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness in respect of any such Indebtedness and, in each case, any similar contractual encumbrances or restrictions and any amendment, modification, supplement, replacement or refinancing of such agreements or instruments that does not materially expand the scope of any such encumbrance or restriction (as determined in good faith by the Borrower);
- (C) any restriction on a Subsidiary imposed pursuant to an agreement entered into for the sale or disposition of the Equity Interests or assets of a Subsidiary pending the closing of such sale or disposition;
- (D) customary provisions in joint venture agreements and other similar agreements applicable to joint ventures entered into in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice;
- (E) any restrictions imposed by any agreement relating to secured Indebtedness permitted by this Agreement to the extent that such restrictions apply only to the property or assets securing such Indebtedness;
- (F) any restrictions imposed by any agreement relating to Indebtedness incurred pursuant to Section 6.01 or Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness in respect thereof, to the extent such restrictions are not materially more restrictive, taken as a whole, than the restrictions contained in this Agreement or are market terms at the time of issuance (in each case as determined in good faith by the Borrower);
- (G) customary provisions contained in leases or licenses of Intellectual Property and other similar agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice;

- (H) customary provisions restricting subletting or assignment (including any change of control deemed an assignment) of any lease governing a leasehold interest;
  - (I) customary provisions restricting assignment of any agreement entered into in the ordinary course of business;
- (J) customary restrictions and conditions contained in any agreement relating to the sale, transfer, lease or other disposition of any asset permitted under Section 6.05 pending the consummation of such sale, transfer, lease or other disposition;
- (K) customary restrictions and conditions contained in the document relating to any Lien, so long as (1) such Lien is a Permitted Lien and such restrictions or conditions relate only to the specific asset subject to such Lien, and (2) such restrictions and conditions are not created for the purpose of avoiding the restrictions imposed by this Section 6.09;
- (L) customary net worth provisions imposed by suppliers, customers or landlords of Real Property under contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business or consistent with past practice or customary restrictions on cash or other deposits or net worth arising in connection with any Liens permitted under Section 6.02 so long as the Borrower has determined in good faith that such net worth provisions would not reasonably be expected to impair the ability of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries to meet their ongoing obligations under the Loan Documents;
- (M) any agreement in effect at the time such subsidiary becomes a Subsidiary, so long as such agreement was not entered into in contemplation of such person becoming a Subsidiary;
- (N) restrictions in agreements representing Indebtedness permitted under Section 6.01 of a Subsidiary of the Borrower that is not a Subsidiary Loan Party;
- (O) customary restrictions contained in leases, subleases, licenses or Equity Interests or asset sale agreements otherwise permitted hereby as long as such restrictions relate to the Equity Interests and assets subject thereto;
  - (P) restrictions on cash or other deposits imposed by customers under contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business;
- (Q) restrictions contained in any Permitted Securitization Document with respect to any Special Purpose Securitization Subsidiary; and
- (R) any encumbrances or restrictions of the type referred to in Section 6.09(c)(i) and 6.09(c)(ii) above imposed by any amendments, modifications, restatements, renewals, increases, supplements, refundings, replacements or refinancings of or similar arrangements to the contracts, instruments or obligations referred to in clauses (A) through (Q) above; <u>provided</u>, that such amendments, modifications, restatements, renewals, increases, supplements, refundings, replacements, refinancings or similar arrangements are, in the good faith judgment of the Borrower, not materially more restrictive with respect to such dividend and other payment restrictions than those contained in the dividend or other payment restrictions as contemplated by such provisions prior to such amendment, modification, restatement, renewal, increase, supplement, refunding, replacement, refinancing or similar arrangement.

Section 6.10 <u>Fiscal Year</u>. In the case of the Borrower, permit any change to its fiscal year without prior notice to the Administrative Agent, in which case, the Borrower and the Administrative Agent will, and are hereby authorized by the Lenders to, make any adjustments to this Agreement that are necessary to reflect such change in fiscal year.

Section 6.11 <u>Financial Covenant</u>. With respect to any Facility, permit the Net First Lien Leverage Ratio as of the last day of any fiscal quarter (beginning with the end of the first full fiscal quarter ending after the Closing Date) to exceed 6.00 to 1.00.

### ARTICLE VII

## **Events of Default**

Section 7.01 Events of Default. In case of the happening of any of the following events (each, an "Event of Default"):

- (a) any representation or warranty made or deemed made by the Borrower or any Subsidiary Loan Party herein or in any other Loan Document or any certificate or document delivered pursuant hereto or thereto shall prove to have been false or misleading in any material respect when so made or deemed made and such false or misleading representation or warranty (if curable) shall remain false or misleading for a period of 30 days after notice thereof from the Administrative Agent to the Borrower;
- (b) default shall be made in the payment of any principal of any Loan when and as the same shall become due and payable, whether at the due date thereof or at a date fixed for prepayment thereof or by acceleration thereof or otherwise;
- (c) default shall be made in the payment of any interest on any Loan or the reimbursement with respect to any L/C Disbursement or in the payment of any Fee or any other amount (other than an amount referred to in clause (b) above) due under any Loan Document, when and as the same shall become due and payable, and such default shall continue unremedied for a period of five Business Days;
- (d) default shall be made in the due observance or performance by the Borrower of any covenant, condition or agreement contained in, Section 5.01(a), 5.05(a) or 5.08 or in Article VI;
- (e) default shall be made in the due observance or performance by the Borrower or any of the Subsidiary Loan Parties of any covenant, condition or agreement contained in any Loan Document (other than those specified in clauses (b), (c) and (d) above) and such default shall continue unremedied for a period of 30 days (or 60 days if such default results solely from the failure of a Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party to duly observe or perform any such covenant, condition or agreement) after notice thereof from the Administrative Agent to the Borrower;
- (f) (i) any event or condition occurs that (A) results in any Material Indebtedness becoming due prior to its scheduled maturity (other than, for the avoidance of doubt, Material Indebtedness with respect to Permitted Securitization Financings) or (B) enables or permits (with all applicable grace periods having expired) the holder or holders of any Material Indebtedness or any trustee or agent on its or their behalf to cause any Material Indebtedness to become due, or to require the prepayment, repurchase, redemption or defeasance thereof, prior to its scheduled maturity; or (ii) the Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries shall fail to pay the principal of any Material Indebtedness at the stated final maturity thereof; provided, that this clause (f) shall not apply to any secured Indebtedness that becomes due as a result of the voluntary sale or transfer of the property or assets securing such Indebtedness if such sale or transfer is permitted hereunder and under the documents providing for such Indebtedness;

- (g) there shall have occurred a Change in Control;
- (h) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed in a court of competent jurisdiction seeking (i) relief in respect of the Borrower or any of the Material Subsidiaries, or of a substantial part of the property or assets of the Borrower or any Material Subsidiary, under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, as now constituted or hereafter amended, or any other Debtor Relief Law, (ii) the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator or similar official for the Borrower or any of the Material Subsidiaries or for a substantial part of the property or assets of the Borrower or any of the Material Subsidiaries or (iii) the winding-up or liquidation of the Borrower or any Material Subsidiary (except in a transaction permitted hereunder); and such proceeding or petition shall continue undismissed for 60 days or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered;
- (i) the Borrower or any Material Subsidiary shall (i) voluntarily commence any proceeding or file any petition seeking relief under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, as now constituted or hereafter amended, or any other Debtor Relief Law, (ii) consent to the institution of, or fail to contest in a timely and appropriate manner, any proceeding or the filing of any petition described in clause (h) above, (iii) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator or similar official for the Borrower or any of the Material Subsidiaries or for a substantial part of the property or assets of the Borrower or any Material Subsidiary, (iv) file an answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any such proceeding, (v) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors or (vi) become unable or admit in writing its inability or fail generally to pay its debts as they become due;
- (j) the failure by the Borrower or any Material Subsidiary to pay one or more final judgments aggregating in excess of \$30,000,000 (to the extent not covered by insurance), which judgments are not discharged or effectively waived or stayed for a period of 45 consecutive days, or any action shall be legally taken by a judgment creditor to levy upon assets or properties of the Borrower or any Material Subsidiary to enforce any such judgment;
- (k) (i) an ERISA Event shall have occurred, (ii) the PBGC shall institute proceedings (including giving notice of intent thereof) to terminate any Plan or Plans, (iii) the Borrower or any Subsidiary or any ERISA Affiliate shall have been notified by the sponsor of a Multiemployer Plan that such Multiemployer Plan is being terminated, within the meaning of Title IV of ERISA, or (iv) the Borrower or any Subsidiary shall engage in any "prohibited transaction" (as defined in Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code) involving any Plan; and in each case in clauses (i) through (iv) above, such event or condition, together with all other such events or conditions, if any, would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; or
- (l) (i) any Loan Document shall for any reason be asserted in writing by the Borrower or any Subsidiary Loan Party not to be a legal, valid and binding obligation of any party thereto (other than in accordance with its terms), (ii) any security interest purported to be created by any Security Document and to extend to assets that constitute a material portion of the Collateral shall cease to be, or shall be asserted in writing by the Borrower or any other Loan Party not to be (other than, in each case, in accordance with its terms), a valid and perfected security interest (perfected as or having the priority required by this Agreement or the relevant Security Document and subject to such limitations and restrictions as are set forth herein and therein) in the securities, assets or properties covered thereby, except to the extent that any such loss of perfection or priority results from the limitations of foreign laws, rules and regulations as they apply to pledges of Equity Interests of Foreign Subsidiaries or the application thereof, or from the failure of the Collateral Agent to maintain possession of certificates actually delivered to it representing securities pledged under the Collateral Agreement

or to file Uniform Commercial Code continuation statements and except to the extent that such loss is covered by a lender's title insurance policy and the Administrative Agent shall be reasonably satisfied with the credit of such insurer, or (iii) a material portion of the Guarantees pursuant to the Security Documents by the Subsidiary Loan Parties guaranteeing the Obligations shall cease to be in full force and effect (other than in accordance with the terms thereof), or shall be asserted in writing by any Subsidiary Loan Party not to be in effect or not to be legal, valid and binding obligations (other than in accordance with the terms thereof); <u>provided</u>, that no Event of Default shall occur under this Section 7.01(1) if the Loan Parties cooperate with the Collateral Agent to replace or perfect such security interest and Lien, such security interest and Lien is replaced and the rights, powers and privileges of the Secured Parties are not materially adversely affected by such replacement;

then, and in every such event (other than an event with respect to the Borrower described in clause (h) or (i) above), and at any time thereafter during the continuance of such event, the Administrative Agent, at the request of the Required Lenders, shall, by notice to the Borrower, take any or all of the following actions, at the same or different times: (i) terminate forthwith the Commitments, (ii) declare the Loans then outstanding to be forthwith due and payable in whole or in part, whereupon the principal of the Loans so declared to be due and payable, together with accrued interest thereon and any unpaid accrued Fees and all other liabilities of the Borrower accrued hereunder and under any other Loan Document, shall become forthwith due and payable, without presentment, demand, protest or any other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby expressly waived by the Borrower, anything contained herein or in any other Loan Document to the contrary notwithstanding and (iii) if the Loans have been declared due and payable pursuant to clause (ii) above, demand Cash Collateral pursuant to Section 2.05(j); and in any event with respect to the Borrower described in clause (h) or (i) above, the Commitments shall automatically terminate and the principal of the Loans then outstanding, together with accrued interest thereon and any unpaid accrued Fees and all other liabilities of the Borrower accrued hereunder and under any other Loan Document, shall automatically become due and payable and the Administrative Agent shall be deemed to have made a demand for Cash Collateral to the full extent permitted under Section 2.05(j), without presentment, demand, protest or any other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby expressly waived by the Borrower, anything contained herein or in any other Loan Document to the contrary notwithstanding.

For purposes of clauses (h), (i) and (j) of this Section 7.01, "Material Subsidiary" (1) shall mean any Subsidiary that would not be an Immaterial Subsidiary under clause (a) of the definition thereof and (2) shall exclude any Special Purpose Securitization Subsidiary.

Section 7.02 Treatment of Certain Payments. Subject to the terms of any applicable Intercreditor Agreement, any amount received by the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent from any Loan Party (or from proceeds of any Collateral) following any acceleration of the Obligations under this Agreement or any Event of Default with respect to the Borrower under Section 7.01(h) or (i), in each case that is continuing, shall be applied: (i) first, ratably, to pay any fees, indemnities or expense reimbursements then due to the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent from the Borrower (other than in connection with any Secured Cash Management Agreement or Secured Hedge Agreement), (ii) second, towards payment of interest and fees then due from the Borrower hereunder, ratably among the parties entitled thereto in accordance with the amounts of interest and fees then due to such parties, (iii) third, towards payment of unreimbursed L/C Disbursements then due to such parties, (iv) fourth, towards payment of other Obligations (including Obligations of the Loan Parties owing under or in respect of any Secured Cash Management Agreement or Secured Hedge Agreement) then due from the Borrower or any Loan Party, ratably among the parties entitled thereto in accordance with the amounts of such Obligations then due to such parties and (v) last, the balance, if any, after all of the Obligations have been paid in full, to the Borrower or as otherwise required by Requirements of Law.

Section 7.03 Right to Cure. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in Section 7.01, in the event that the Borrower fails (or, but for the operation of this Section 7.03, would fail) to comply with the requirements of the Financial Covenant, from the last day of the applicable fiscal quarter until the expiration of the 10th Business Day subsequent to the date the certificate calculating such Financial Covenant is required to be delivered pursuant to Section 5.04(c), the Borrower shall have the right to issue Permitted Cure Securities for cash or otherwise receive cash contributions to the capital of such entities, and in each case, to contribute any such cash to the capital of the Borrower (collectively, the "Cure Right"), and upon the receipt by the Borrower of such cash (the "Cure Amount"), pursuant to the exercise of the Cure Right, the Financial Covenant shall be recalculated giving effect to a pro forma adjustment by which EBITDA shall be increased with respect to such applicable quarter and any four-quarter period that contains such quarter, solely for the purpose of measuring the Financial Covenant and not for any other purpose under this Agreement, by an amount equal to the Cure Amount; provided that (i) in each four consecutive fiscal quarter period there shall be at least two fiscal quarters in which a Cure Right is not exercised, (ii) a Cure Right shall not be exercised more than five times during the term of the Revolving Facility, (iii) for purposes of this Section 7.03, the Cure Amount shall be no greater than the amount required for purposes of complying with the Financial Covenant, (iv) there shall be no pro forma reduction in Indebtedness with the proceeds of the exercise of the Cure Right for determining compliance with the Financial Covenant for the fiscal quarter in respect of which such Cure Right is exercised (either directly through prepayment or indirectly as a result of the netting of unrestricted cash) and (v) no Lender shall be required to make any extension of credit during the 10 Business Day period referred to above if Borrower has not received the proceeds of such Cure Amount. If, after giving effect to the adjustments in this Section 7.03, the Borrower shall then be in compliance with the requirements of the Financial Covenant, the Borrower shall be deemed to have satisfied the requirements of the Financial Covenant as of the relevant date of determination with the same effect as though there had been no failure to comply therewith at such date, and the applicable breach or default of the Financial Covenant that had occurred shall be deemed cured for the purposes of this Agreement.

## ARTICLE VIII

# The Agents

Section 8.01 Appointment. (a) Each Lender (in its capacities as a Lender and on behalf of itself and its Affiliates as potential counterparties to Secured Cash Management Agreements and Secured Hedge Agreements) and each Issuing Bank (in such capacities and on behalf of itself and its Affiliates as potential counterparties to Secured Cash Management Agreements and Secured Hedge Agreements) hereby irrevocably designates and appoints the Administrative Agent as the agent of such Lender under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, including as the Collateral Agent for such Lender and the other Secured Parties under the Security Documents, and each such Lender irrevocably authorizes the Administrative Agent, in such capacity, to take such action on its behalf under the provisions of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents and to exercise such powers and perform such duties as are expressly delegated to the Administrative Agent by the terms of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, together with such other powers as are reasonably incidental thereto. In addition, to the extent required under the laws of any jurisdiction other than the United States of America, each of the Lenders and the Issuing Banks hereby grants to the Administrative Agent any required powers of attorney to execute any Security Document governed by the laws of such jurisdiction on such Lender's or Issuing Bank's behalf. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary elsewhere in this Agreement, the Administrative Agent shall not have any duties or responsibilities, except those expressly set forth herein, or any fiduciary relationship with any Lender, and no implied covenants, functions, responsibilities, duties, obligations or liabilities shall be read into this Agreement or any other Loan Document or otherwise exist against the Administrative Agent.

(b) In furtherance of the foregoing, each Lender (in its capacities as a Lender and on behalf of itself and its Affiliates as potential counterparties to Secured Cash Management Agreements or Secured Hedge Agreements) and each Issuing Bank (in such capacities and on behalf of itself and its Affiliates as potential counterparties to Secured Cash Management Agreements and Secured Hedge Agreements) hereby appoints and authorizes the Collateral Agent to act as the agent of such Lender for purposes of acquiring, holding and enforcing any and all Liens on Collateral granted by any of the Loan Parties to secure any of the Obligations, together with such powers and discretion as are reasonably incidental thereto. In this connection, the Collateral Agent (and any Subagents appointed by the Collateral Agent pursuant to Section 8.02 for purposes of holding or enforcing any Lien on the Collateral (or any portion thereof) granted under the Security Documents, or for exercising any rights or remedies thereunder at the direction of the Collateral Agent) shall be entitled to the benefits of this Article VIII (including, without limitation, Section 8.07) as though the Collateral Agent (and any such Subagents) were an "Agent" under the Loan Documents, as if set forth in full herein with respect thereto.

Section 8.02 <u>Delegation of Duties</u>. The Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent may execute any of their respective duties under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents (including for purposes of holding or enforcing any Lien on the Collateral (or any portion thereof)) by or through agents, employees or attorneys-in-fact and shall be entitled to advice of counsel and other consultants or experts concerning all matters pertaining to such duties. No Agent shall be responsible for the negligence or misconduct of any agents or attorneys-in-fact selected by it with reasonable care. Each Agent may also from time to time, when it deems it to be necessary or desirable, appoint one or more trustees, co-trustees, collateral co-agents, collateral subagents or attorneys-in-fact (each, a "<u>Subagent</u>") with respect to all or any part of the Collateral; <u>provided</u>, that no such Subagent shall be authorized to take any action with respect to any Collateral unless and except to the extent expressly authorized in writing by the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent. Should any instrument in writing from the Borrower or any other Loan Party be required by any Subagent so appointed by an Agent to more fully or certainly vest in and confirm to such Subagent such rights, powers, privileges and duties, the Borrower shall, or shall cause such Loan Party to, execute, acknowledge and deliver any and all such instruments promptly upon request by such Agent. If any Subagent, or successor thereto, shall become incapable of acting, resign or be removed, all rights, powers, privileges and duties of such Subagent, to the extent permitted by law, shall automatically vest in and be exercised by the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent until the appointment of a new Subagent. No Agent shall be responsible for the negligence or misconduct of any agent, attorney-in-fact or Subagent that it selects with reasonable care.

Section 8.03 Exculpatory Provisions. None of the Agents, or their respective Affiliates or any of their respective officers, directors, employees, agents, attorneys-in-fact or affiliates shall be (a) liable for any action lawfully taken or omitted to be taken by it or such person under or in connection with this Agreement or any other Loan Document (except to the extent that any of the foregoing are found by a final and nonappealable decision of a court of competent jurisdiction to have resulted from its or such person's own gross negligence or willful misconduct) or (b) 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 to other document referred to or provided for in, or received by any 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 or for any failure of any Loan Party a party thereto to perform its obligations hereunder or thereunder. No Agent shall be under any obligation to any Lender to ascertain or to inquire as to the observance or performance of any of the agreements contained in, or conditions of, this Agreement or any other Loan Document, or to inspect the properties, books or records of any Loan Party. No Agent shall have any duties or obligations except those expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents. Without limiting the

generality of the foregoing, (a) no Agent shall be subject to any fiduciary or other implied duties, regardless of whether a Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, and (b) no Agent shall, except as expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents, have any duty to disclose, and shall be liable for the failure to disclose, any information relating to the Borrower or any of its Affiliates that is communicated to or obtained by such Agent or any of its Affiliates in any capacity. The Agents shall be deemed not to have knowledge of any Default or Event of Default unless and until written notice describing such Default or Event of Default is given to the Administrative Agent by the Borrower, a Lender or an Issuing Bank. No Agent shall be responsible for or have any duty to ascertain or inquire into (i) any statement, warranty or representation made in or in connection with this Agreement or any other Loan Document, (ii) the contents of any certificate, report or other document delivered hereunder or thereunder or in connection herewith or therewith, (iii) the performance or observance of any of the covenants, agreements or other terms or conditions set forth herein or therein or the occurrence of any Default or Event of Default, (iv) the validity, enforceability, effectiveness or genuineness of this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any other agreement, instrument or document, or the creation, perfection or priority of any Lien purported to be created by the Security Documents, (v) the value or the sufficiency of any Collateral, or (vi) the satisfaction of any condition set forth in Article IV or elsewhere herein, other than to confirm receipt of items expressly required to be delivered to the Administrative Agent. No Cash Management Bank or Hedge Bank that obtains the benefits of Section 7.02, any Guarantee or any Collateral by virtue of the provisions hereof or of any Guarantee or any Security Document shall have any right to notice of any action or to consent to, direct or object to any action hereunder or under any other Loan Document or otherwise in respect of the Collateral (including the release or impairment of any Collateral) other than in its capacity as a Lender and, in such case, only to the extent expressly provided in the Loan Documents. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Administrative Agent shall not be required to verify the payment of, or that other satisfactory arrangements have been made with respect to, Obligations arising under Secured Cash Management Agreements and Secured Hedge Agreements unless the Administrative Agent has received written notice of such Obligations, together with such supporting documentation as the Administrative Agent may request, from the applicable Cash Management Bank or Hedge Bank, as the case may be.

Section 8.04 Reliance by Agents. Each Agent shall be entitled to rely upon, and shall not incur any liability for relying upon, any notice, request, certificate, consent, statement, instrument, document or other writing (including any electronic message, Internet or intranet website posting or other distribution) or conversation believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed, sent or otherwise authenticated by the proper person. Each Agent also may rely upon any statement made to it orally or by telephone and believed by it to have been made by the proper person, and shall not incur any liability for relying thereon. In determining compliance with any condition hereunder to any Credit Event, that by its terms must be fulfilled to the satisfaction of a Lender or any Issuing Bank, each Agent may presume that such condition is satisfactory to such Lender or Issuing Bank unless such Agent shall have received notice to the contrary from such Lender or Issuing Bank prior to such Credit Event. Each Agent may consult with legal counsel (including counsel to the Borrower), independent accountants and other experts selected by it, and shall not be liable for any action taken or not taken by it in accordance with the advice of any such counsel, accountants or experts. Each Agent may deem and treat the Lender specified in the Register with respect to any amount owing hereunder as the owner thereof for all purposes unless a written notice of assignment, negotiation or transfer thereof shall have been filed with such Agent. Each Agent shall be fully justified in failing or refusing to take any action under this Agreement or any other Loan Document unless it shall first receive such advice or concurrence of the Required Lenders (or, if so specified by this Agreement, all or other Lenders) as it deems appropriate or it shall first be indemnified to its satisfaction by the Lenders against any and all liability and expense that may be incurred by it by reason of taking or continuing to take any such action. Each Agent shall in all cases be fully protected in acting, or in refraining from acting, under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents in accordance with a request of the Required Lenders (or, if so specified by this Agreement, all or other Lenders), and such request and any action taken or failure to act pursuant thereto shall be binding upon all the Lenders and all future holders of the Loans.

Section 8.05 Notice of Default. Neither Agent shall be deemed to have knowledge or notice of the occurrence of any Default or Event of Default unless such Agent has received written notice from a Lender or the Borrower referring to this Agreement, describing such Default or Event of Default and stating that such notice is a "notice of default." In the event that the Administrative Agent receives such a notice, the Administrative Agent shall give notice thereof to the Lenders. The Administrative Agent shall take such action with respect to such Default or Event of Default as shall be reasonably directed by the Required Lenders (or, if so specified by this Agreement, all or other Lenders); provided, that unless and until the Administrative Agent shall have received such directions, the Administrative Agent may (but shall not be obligated to) take such action, or refrain from taking such action, with respect to such Default or Event of Default as it shall deem advisable in the best interests of the Lenders.

Section 8.06 Non-Reliance on Agents and Other Lenders. Each Lender and Issuing Bank expressly acknowledges that neither the Agents nor any of their respective officers, directors, employees, agents, attorneys-in-fact or affiliates have made any representations or warranties to it and that no act by any Agent hereafter taken, including any review of the affairs of a Loan Party or any affiliate of a Loan Party, shall be deemed to constitute any representation or warranty by any Agent to any Lender. Each Lender and Issuing Bank represents to the Agents that it has, independently and without reliance upon any Agent or any other Lender, and based on such documents and information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own appraisal of, and investigation into the business, operations, property, financial and other condition and creditworthiness of, the Loan Parties and their affiliates and made its own decision to make its Loans hereunder and enter into this Agreement. Each Lender also represents that it will, independently and without reliance upon any Agent 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 analysis, appraisals and decisions in taking or not taking action under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, and to make such investigation as it deems necessary to inform itself as to the business, operations, property, financial and other condition and creditworthiness of the Loan Parties and their affiliates. Except for notices, reports and other documents expressly required to be furnished to the Lenders by the Administrative Agent hereunder, the Administrative Agent shall not have any duty or responsibility to provide any Lender with any credit or other information concerning the business, operations, property, condition (financial or otherwise), prospects or creditworthiness of any Loan Party or any affiliates.

Section 8.07 <u>Indemnification</u>. The Lenders agree to indemnify each Agent and the Revolving Facility Lenders agree to indemnify each Issuing Bank, in each case, in its capacity as such (to the extent not reimbursed by the Borrower and without limiting the obligation of the Borrower to do so), in the amount of its pro rata share (based on its aggregate Revolving Facility Credit Exposure and, in the case of the indemnification of each Agent, outstanding Term Loans and unused Commitments hereunder; <u>provided</u>, that the aggregate principal amount of L/C Disbursements owing to any Issuing Bank shall be considered to be owed to the Revolving Facility Lenders ratably in accordance with their respective Revolving Facility Credit Exposure) (determined at the time such indemnity is sought), from and against any and all liabilities, obligations, losses, damages, penalties, actions, judgments, suits, costs, expenses or disbursements of any kind whatsoever that may at any time (whether before or after the payment of the Loans) be imposed on, incurred by or asserted against such Agent or such Issuing Bank in any way relating to or arising out of the Commitments, this Agreement, any of the other Loan Documents or any documents contemplated by or referred to herein or therein or the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby or any action taken or omitted by such Agent or Issuing Bank under or in connection with any of the foregoing; <u>provided</u>, that no Lender shall be liable for the payment of any portion of such liabilities,

obligations, losses, damages, penalties, actions, judgments, suits, costs, expenses or disbursements that are found by a final and nonappealable decision of a court of competent jurisdiction to have resulted from such Agent's or Issuing Bank's gross negligence or willful misconduct. The failure of any Lender to reimburse any Agent or Issuing Bank, as the case may be, promptly upon demand for its ratable share of any amount required to be paid by the Lenders to such Agent or Issuing Bank, as the case may be, as provided herein shall not relieve any other Lender of its obligation hereunder to reimburse such Agent or Issuing Bank, as the case may be, for its ratable share of such amount, but no Lender shall be responsible for the failure of any other Lender to reimburse such Agent or Issuing Bank, as the case may be, for such other Lender's ratable share of such amount. The agreements in this Section shall survive the payment of the Loans and all other amounts payable hereunder.

Section 8.08 Agent in Its Individual Capacity. Each Agent and its affiliates may make loans to, accept deposits from, and generally engage in any kind of business with any Loan Party as though such Agent were not an Agent. With respect to its Loans made or renewed by it and with respect to any Letter of Credit issued, or Letter of Credit participated in, by it, each Agent shall have the same rights and powers under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents as any Lender and may exercise the same as though it were not an Agent, and the terms "Lender" and "Lenders" shall include each Agent in its individual capacity.

Section 8.09 Successor Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent may resign as Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent upon 10 days' notice to the Lenders and the Borrower. If the Administrative Agent shall resign as Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, then the Borrower shall have the right, subject to the reasonable consent of the Required Lenders (so long as no Event of Default under Section 7.01(b), (c), (h) or (i) shall have occurred and be continuing, in which case 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, whereupon such successor agent shall succeed to the rights, powers and duties of the Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent, and the term "Administrative Agent" shall mean such successor agent effective upon such appointment and approval, and the former Administrative Agent's rights, powers and duties as Administrative Agent shall be terminated, without any other or further act or deed on the part of such former Administrative Agent or any of the parties to this Agreement or any holders of the Loans. If no successor agent has accepted appointment as Administrative Agent by the date that is 10 days following a retiring Administrative Agent's notice of resignation, the retiring Administrative Agent's resignation shall nevertheless thereupon become effective (except in the case of the Collateral Agent holding collateral security on behalf of such Secured Parties, the retiring Collateral Agent shall continue to hold such collateral security as nominee until such time as a successor Collateral Agent is appointed), and the Lenders shall assume and perform all of the duties of the Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent hereunder until such time, if any, as the Borrower (or the Required Lenders) appoint a successor agent as provided for above. After any retiring Administrative Agent's resignation as Administrative Agent, the provisions of this Section 8.09 shall inure to its benefit as to any actions taken or omitted to be taken by it while it was Administrative Agent under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents.

Section 8.10 <u>Arrangers, Syndication Agents, Documentation Agents and Co-Manager</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or any provision of any other Loan Document, each of the persons named on the cover page hereof as Joint Bookrunner, Joint Lead Arranger, Syndication Agents, Documentation Agents or Co-Manager is named as such for recognition purposes only, and in its capacity as such shall have no rights, duties, responsibilities or liabilities with respect to this Agreement or any other Loan Document, except that each such person and its Affiliates shall be entitled to the rights expressly stated to be applicable to them in Sections 9.05 and 9.17 (subject to the applicable obligations and limitations as set forth therein).

Section 8.11 <u>Security Documents and Collateral Agent</u>. The Lenders and the other Secured Parties authorize the Collateral Agent to release any Collateral or Guarantors in accordance with Section 9.18 or if approved, authorized or ratified in accordance with Section 9.08.

The Lenders and the other Secured Parties hereby irrevocably authorize and instruct the Collateral Agent to, without any further consent of any Lender or any other Secured Party, enter into (or acknowledge and consent to) or amend, renew, extend, supplement, restate, replace, waive or otherwise modify any First Lien/First Lien Intercreditor Agreement, any First Lien/Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement, any other Permitted Junior Intercreditor Agreement, any other Permitted Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement or any other intercreditor agreement contemplated hereby with the collateral agent or other representatives of the holders of Indebtedness that is to be secured by a Lien on the Collateral that is not prohibited (including with respect to priority) under this Agreement and to subject the Liens on the Collateral securing the Obligations to the provisions thereof (any of the foregoing, an "Intercreditor Agreement"). The Lenders and the other Secured Parties irrevocably agree that (x) the Collateral Agent may rely exclusively on a certificate of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower as to whether any such other Liens are not prohibited and (y) any Intercreditor Agreement entered into by the Collateral Agent shall be binding on the Secured Parties, and each Lender and the other Secured Parties hereby agrees that it will take no actions contrary to the provisions of, if entered into and if applicable, any Intercreditor Agreement. The foregoing provisions are intended as an inducement to any provider of any Indebtedness not prohibited by Section 6.01 hereof to extend credit to the Loan Parties and such persons are intended third-party beneficiaries of such provisions. Furthermore, the Lenders and the other Secured Parties hereby authorize the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent to release any Lien on any property granted to or held by the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent under any Loan Document (i) to the holder of any Lien on such property that is permitted by clauses (c), (i), (j), (aa) or (mm) of Section 6.02 or Section 6.02(a) (if the Liens thereunder are of a type that is contemplated by any of the foregoing clauses) in each case to the extent the contract or agreement pursuant to which such Lien is granted prohibits any other Liens on such property or (ii) that is or becomes Excluded Property; and the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent shall do so upon request of the Borrower; provided, that prior to any such request, the Borrower shall have in each case delivered to the Administrative Agent a certificate of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower certifying (x) that such Lien is permitted under this Agreement, (y) in the case of a request pursuant to clause (i) of this sentence, that the contract or agreement pursuant to which such Lien is granted prohibits any other Lien on such property and (z) in the case of a request pursuant to clause (ii) of this sentence, that (A) such property is or has become Excluded Property and (B) if such property has become Excluded Property as a result of a contractual restriction, such restriction does not violate Section 6.09(c).

Section 8.12 Right to Realize on Collateral and Enforce Guarantees. In case of the pendency of any receivership, insolvency, liquidation, bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, composition or other judicial proceeding relative to any Loan Party, (i) the Administrative Agent (irrespective of whether the principal of any 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 any or all of the 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 Issuing Banks and the Administrative Agent and any Subagents 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 (ii) any custodian, receiver, assignee, trustee, liquidator, sequestrator or other similar official in any such judicial proceeding is hereby authorized by each Lender and Issuing Bank 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 Issuing Banks, 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 the Loan Documents. 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 Issuing Bank any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Obligations or the rights of any Lender or Issuing Bank or to authorize the Administrative Agent to vote in respect of the claim of any Lender or Issuing Bank in any such proceeding.

Anything contained in any of the Loan Documents to the contrary notwithstanding, the Borrower, the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent and each Secured Party hereby agree that (a) no Secured Party shall have any right individually to realize upon any of the Collateral or to enforce the Guarantee, it being understood and agreed that all powers, rights and remedies hereunder may be exercised solely by the Administrative Agent, on behalf of the Secured Parties in accordance with the terms hereof and all powers, rights and remedies under the Security Documents may be exercised solely by the Collateral Agent, and (b) in the event of a foreclosure by the Collateral Agent on any of the Collateral pursuant to a public or private sale or other disposition, the Collateral Agent or any Lender may be the purchaser or licensor of any or all of such Collateral at any such sale or other disposition and the Collateral Agent, as agent for and representative of the Secured Parties (but not any Lender or Lenders in its or their respective individual capacities unless the Required Lenders shall otherwise agree in writing) shall be entitled, for the purpose of bidding and making settlement or payment of the purchase price for all or any portion of the Collateral sold at any such public sale, to use and apply any of the Obligations as a credit on account of the purchase price for any collateral payable by the Collateral Agent at such sale or other Disposition.

Section 8.13 Withholding Tax. To the extent required by any applicable Requirement of Law, the Administrative Agent may withhold from any payment to any Lender an amount equivalent to any applicable withholding Tax. If the IRS or any authority of the United States or other jurisdiction asserts a claim that the Administrative Agent did not properly withhold Tax from amounts paid to or for the account of any Lender for any reason (including because the appropriate form was not delivered, was not properly executed, or because such Lender failed to notify the Administrative Agent of a change in circumstances that rendered the exemption from, or reduction of, withholding Tax ineffective), such Lender shall indemnify the Administrative Agent (to the extent that the Administrative Agent has not already been reimbursed by any applicable Loan Party and without limiting the obligation of any applicable Loan Party to do so) fully for all amounts paid, directly or indirectly, by the Administrative Agent as Tax or otherwise, including penalties, fines, additions to Tax and interest, together with all expenses incurred, including legal expenses, allocated staff costs and any out of pocket expenses. Each Lender hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to set off 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 to the Administrative Agent under this Section 8.13.

## Section 8.14 Certain ERISA Matters.

(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 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 Section 3(42) of ERISA or otherwise) of one or more Benefit Plans with respect to such Lender's entrance into, participation in, administration of and performance of the Loans, the Letters of Credit, the Commitments or this Agreement,

- (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 either (1) sub-clause (i) in the immediately preceding clause (a) is true with respect to a Lender or (2) a Lender has provided another representation, warranty and covenant in accordance with 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 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 the Administrative Agent, the Arrangers or any of their respective Affiliates is not a fiduciary with respect to the assets of such Lender involved in such Lender's entrance into, participation in, administration of and performance of the Loans, the Letters of Credit, the Commitments and this Agreement (including in connection with the reservation or exercise of any rights by the Administrative Agent under this Agreement, any Loan Document or any documents related hereto or thereto).

#### ARTICLE IX

#### Miscellaneous

Section 9.01 <u>Notices; Communications</u>. (a) 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 electronic means as follows:

(i) if to any Loan Party, the Administrative Agent or the Issuing Banks as of the Closing Date to the address or electronic mail address specified for such person on <u>Schedule 9.01</u>; and

(ii) if to any other Lender or any other Issuing Bank, to the address or electronic mail address specified in its Administrative Ouestionnaire.

- (b) Notices and other communications to the Lenders and the Issuing Banks hereunder may be delivered or furnished by electronic communication (including e mail and Internet or intranet websites) pursuant to procedures approved by the Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent or the Borrower may, in their discretion, agree to accept notices and other communications to it hereunder by electronic communications pursuant to procedures approved by them, <u>provided</u> that approval of such procedures may be limited to particular notices or communications.
- (c) 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 delivered through electronic communications to the extent provided in Section 9.01(b) above shall be effective as provided in such Section 9.01(b).
  - (d) Any party hereto may change its address for notices and other communications hereunder by notice to the other parties hereto.
- (e) Documents required to be delivered pursuant to Section 5.04 may be delivered electronically (including as set forth in Section 9.17) 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 9.01, or (ii) on which such documents are posted on the Borrower's behalf on an Internet or intranet website, if any, to which each Lender entitled to access thereto and the Administrative Agent have access (whether a commercial, third-party website or whether sponsored by the Administrative Agent); provided, that the Borrower shall notify the Administrative Agent (by 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. Except for such certificates required by Section 5.04(c), 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.

Section 9.02 <u>Survival of Agreement</u>. All covenants, agreements, representations and warranties made by the Loan Parties herein, in the other Loan Documents and in the certificates or other instruments prepared or delivered in connection with or pursuant to this Agreement or any other Loan Document shall be considered to have been relied upon by the Lenders and each Issuing Bank and shall survive the making by the Lenders of the Loans and the execution and delivery of the Loan Documents and the issuance of the Letters of Credit, regardless of any investigation made by such persons or on their behalf, and shall continue in full force and effect until the Termination Date. Without prejudice to the survival of any other agreements contained herein, indemnification and reimbursement obligations contained herein (including pursuant to Sections 2.15, 2.16, 2.17 and 9.05) shall survive the Termination Date.

Section 9.03 <u>Binding Effect</u>. This Agreement shall become effective when it shall have been executed by the Borrower and the Administrative Agent and when the Administrative Agent shall have received copies hereof which, when taken together, bear the signatures of each of the other parties hereto, and thereafter shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Borrower, the Administrative Agent, each Issuing Bank and each Lender and their respective permitted successors and assigns.

Section 9.04 <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. (a) 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 (including any Affiliate of an Issuing Bank that issues any Letter of Credit), except that (i) except as permitted by Section 6.05, the Borrower may not assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of each Lender (and any attempted assignment or transfer by the Borrower without such consent shall be null and void) and (ii) no Lender may assign or otherwise transfer its rights or obligations hereunder except in accordance with this Section 9.04. 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 (including any Affiliate of an Issuing Bank that issues any Letter of Credit), Participants (to the extent provided in clause (c) of this Section 9.04), and, to the extent expressly contemplated hereby, the Related Parties of each of the Agents, the Issuing Banks and the Lenders) any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Agreement or the other Loan Documents.

- (b) (i) Subject to the conditions set forth in subclause (ii) below, any Lender may assign to one or more assignees (each, an "Assignee") all or a portion of its rights and obligations under this Agreement (including all or a portion of its Commitments and the Loans at the time owing to it) with the prior written consent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) of:
- (A) the Borrower, which consent, with respect to the assignment of a Term Loan, will be deemed to have been given if the Borrower has not responded within ten (10) Business Days after the delivery of any request for such consent; provided, that no consent of the Borrower shall be required for (i) an assignment of a Term Loan to a Lender, an Affiliate of a Lender, an Approved Fund, or in the case of assignments during the primary syndication of the Commitments and Loans to persons identified to and agreed by the Borrower in writing prior to the Closing Date, (ii) an assignment of a Revolving Facility Commitment or Revolving Facility Loan to a Revolving Facility Lender, an Affiliate of a Revolving Facility Lender or Approved Fund with respect to a Revolving Facility Lender, (iii) any assignment between Goldman Sachs Bank USA and Goldman Sachs Lending Partners LLC or (iv) in each case, if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, any other person; and
  - (B) the Administrative Agent; <u>provided</u> that no consent of the Administrative Agent shall be required for (i) an assignment of all or any portion of a Term Loan to a Lender or the Borrower made in accordance with Section 9.04(i) and (ii) any assignment between Goldman Sachs Bank USA and Goldman Sachs Lending Partners LLC; and
  - (C) the Issuing Banks; <u>provided</u>, that no consent of the Issuing Banks shall be required for (i) an assignment of all or any portion of a Term Loan and (ii) any assignment between Goldman Sachs Bank USA and Goldman Sachs Lending Partners LLC.
    - (ii) Assignments shall be subject to the following additional conditions:
  - (A) except in the case of an assignment to a Lender, an Affiliate of a Lender or an Approved Fund or an assignment of the entire remaining amount of the assigning Lender's Commitments or Loans under any Facility, the amount of the Commitments or Loans of the assigning Lender subject to each such assignment (determined as of the date the Assignment and Acceptance with respect to such assignment is delivered to the Administrative Agent) shall not be less than (x) \$1,000,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000,000 in excess thereof in the case of Term Loans and (y) \$5,000,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000,000 in excess thereof in the case of Revolving Facility Loans or Revolving Facility Commitments, unless each of the Borrower and the Administrative Agent otherwise consent; provided, that such amounts shall be aggregated in respect of each Lender and its Affiliates or Approved Funds (with simultaneous assignments to or by two or more Related Funds shall be treated as one assignment), if any;

(B) the parties to each assignment shall (1) execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent an Assignment and Acceptance via an electronic settlement system acceptable to the Administrative Agent or (2) if previously agreed with the Administrative Agent, manually execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent an Assignment and Acceptance, in each case together with a processing and recordation fee of \$3,500 (which fee may be waived or reduced in the reasonable discretion of the Administrative Agent (and which the Administrative Agent agrees to waive for all Arrangers));

(C) the Assignee, if it shall not be a Lender, shall deliver to the Administrative Agent an Administrative Questionnaire and any tax forms required to be delivered pursuant to Section 2.17; and

(D) the Assignee shall not be the Borrower or any of the Borrower's Affiliates or Subsidiaries except in accordance with Section 9.04(i).

For the purposes of this Section 9.04, "<u>Approved Fund</u>" shall mean 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 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. Notwithstanding the foregoing or anything to the contrary herein, no Lender shall be permitted to assign or transfer any portion of its rights and obligations under this Agreement to (A) any Disqualified Lender, (B) any Defaulting Lender or any of its Subsidiaries, or any person who, upon becoming a Lender hereunder, would constitute any of the foregoing persons described in this clause (B), or (C) a natural person. Notwithstanding the foregoing, each Loan Party and the Lenders acknowledge and agree that the Administrative Agent shall not have any responsibility or obligation to determine whether any Lender or potential Lender is a Disqualified Lender and the Administrative Agent shall have no liability with respect to any assignment made to a Disqualified Lender. The Administrative Agent shall keep the list of Disqualified Lenders on file and may only provide the list of Disqualified Lenders to a Lender requesting the same. Any assigning Lender shall, in connection with any potential assignment, provide to the Borrower a copy of its request (including the name of the prospective assignee) concurrently with its delivery of the same request to the Administrative Agent irrespective of whether or not an Event of Default under Section 7.01(b), (c), (h) or (i) has occurred and is continuing.

(iii) Subject to acceptance and recording thereof pursuant to subclause (v) below, from and after the effective date specified in each Assignment and Acceptance the Assignee thereunder shall be a party hereto and, to the extent of the interest assigned by such Assignment and Acceptance, 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 Acceptance, be released from its obligations under this Agreement (and, in the case of an Assignment and Acceptance 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 2.15, 2.16, 2.17 and 9.05 (subject to the limitations and requirements of those Sections)); provided, that an Assignee shall not be entitled to receive any greater payment pursuant to Section 2.17 than the applicable Assignor would have been entitled to receive had no such assignment occurred. Any assignment or transfer by a Lender of rights or obligations under this Agreement that does not comply with this Section 9.04 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 clause (d) of this Section 9.04 (except to the extent such participation is not permitted by such clause (d) of this Section 9.04, in which case such assignment or transfer shall be null and void).

- (iv) The Administrative Agent, acting solely for this purpose as a non-fiduciary agent of the Borrower, shall maintain at one of its offices a copy of each Assignment and Acceptance delivered to it and a register for the recordation of the names and addresses of the Lenders, and the Commitments of, and principal and interest amounts of the Loans and Revolving L/C Exposure 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, the Issuing Banks 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. The Register shall be available for inspection by the Borrower, the Issuing Banks and any Lender, at any reasonable time and from time to time upon reasonable prior notice; provided, that no Lender shall, in such capacity, have access to, or be otherwise permitted to review any information in the Register other than information with respect to such Lender.
- (v) Upon its receipt of a duly completed Assignment and Acceptance executed by an assigning Lender and an Assignee, the Assignee's completed Administrative Questionnaire (unless the Assignee shall already be a Lender hereunder), the processing and recordation fee referred to in clause (b) of this Section 9.04, if applicable, and any written consent to such assignment required by clause (b) of this Section 9.04 and any applicable tax forms, the Administrative Agent shall accept such Assignment and Acceptance and promptly record the information contained therein in the Register. No assignment, whether or not evidenced by a promissory note, shall be effective for purposes of this Agreement unless it has been recorded in the Register as provided in this subclause (v).

### (c) [Reserved].

(d) (i) Any Lender may, without the consent of the Borrower or the Administrative Agent, sell participations in Loans and Commitments to one or more banks or other entities other than (I) any Disqualified Lender (to the extent that the list of Disqualified Lenders has been made available to all Lenders; provided, that regardless of whether the list of Disqualified Lenders has been made available to all Lenders, no Lender may sell participations in Loans or Commitments to a Disqualified Lender without the consent of the Borrower if the list of Disqualified Lenders has been made available to such Lender) or (II) any Defaulting Lender or any of its Subsidiaries, or any person who, upon becoming a Lender hereunder, would constitute any of the foregoing persons described in this clause (II) (a "Participant") in all or a portion of such Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement (including all or a portion of its Commitments and the Loans owing to it); provided, that (A) such Lender's obligations under this Agreement shall remain unchanged, (B) such Lender shall remain solely responsible to the other parties hereto for the performance of such obligations and (C) the Borrower, the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Banks and the other Lenders shall continue to deal solely and directly with such Lender in connection with such Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement. Any agreement pursuant to which a Lender sells such a participation shall provide that such Lender shall retain the sole right to enforce this Agreement and the other Loan Documents and to approve any amendment, modification or waiver of any provision of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents and to approve any amendment, modification or waiver of any provision of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents; provided, that (x) such agreement may provide that such Lender will not, without the consent of the Participant, agree to any amendment, modification or waiver that both (1) requires the consent of each Lender directly affecte

modification or waiver may exist between such Lender and such Participant. Subject to clause (d)(iii) of this Section 9.04, the Borrower agrees that each Participant shall be entitled to the benefits of Sections 2.15, 2.16 and 2.17 (subject to the limitations and requirements of those Sections and Section 2.19) to the same extent as if it were a Lender and had acquired its interest by assignment pursuant to clause (b) of this Section 9.04. To the extent permitted by law, each Participant also shall be entitled to the benefits of Section 9.06 as though it were a Lender; provided, that such Participant shall be subject to Section 2.18(c) as though it were a Lender. Notwithstanding the foregoing, each Loan Party and the Lenders acknowledge and agree that the Administrative Agent shall not have any responsibility or obligation to determine whether any Participant or potential Participant is a Disqualified Lender and the Administrative Agent shall have no liability with respect to any participation made to a Disqualified Lender.

- (ii) Each Lender that sells a participation 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 interest amounts of each Participant's interest in the Loans or other obligations under the Loan Documents (the "Participant Register"). The entries in the Participant Register shall be conclusive absent manifest error, and each party hereto 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. Without limitation of the requirements of this Section 9.04(d), no Lender shall have any obligation to disclose all or any portion of a Participant Register to any person (including the identity of any Participant or any information relating to a Participant's interest in any Commitments, Loans or other Loan Obligations under any Loan Document), except to the extent that such disclosure is necessary to establish that such Commitment, Loan or other Loan Obligation is in registered form for U.S. federal income tax purposes or is otherwise required by applicable law. For the avoidance of doubt, the Administrative Agent (in its capacity as Administrative Agent) shall have no responsibility for maintaining a Participant Register.
- (iii) A Participant shall not be entitled to receive any greater payment under Section 2.15, 2.16 or 2.17 than the applicable Lender would have been entitled to receive with respect to the participation sold to such Participant, unless the sale of the participation to such Participant is made with the Borrower's prior written consent, which consent shall state that it is being given pursuant to this Section 9.04(d)(iii); provided that each potential Participant shall provide such information as is reasonably requested by the Borrower in order for the Borrower to determine whether to provide its consent.
- (e) Any Lender may at any time pledge or assign a security interest in all or any portion of its rights under this Agreement to secure obligations of such Lender, including any pledge or assignment to secure obligations to a Federal Reserve Bank or other central bank and in the case of any Lender that is an Approved Fund, any pledge or assignment to any holders of obligations owed, or securities issued, by such Lender, including to any trustee for, or any other representative of, such holders, and this Section 9.04 shall not apply to any such pledge or assignment of a security interest; provided, that no such pledge or assignment of a security interest shall release a Lender from any of its obligations hereunder or substitute any such pledge or Assignee for such Lender as a party hereto.
- (f) The Borrower, upon receipt of written notice from the relevant Lender, agrees to issue Notes to any Lender requiring Notes to facilitate transactions of the type described in clause (e) above.

- (g) Notwithstanding the foregoing, any Conduit Lender may assign any or all of the Loans it may have funded hereunder to its designating Lender without the consent of the Borrower or the Administrative Agent. Each of the Borrower, each Lender and the Administrative Agent hereby confirms that it will not institute against a Conduit Lender or join any other person in instituting against a Conduit Lender any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency or liquidation proceeding under any state bankruptcy or similar law, for one year and one day after the payment in full of the latest maturing commercial paper note issued by such Conduit Lender; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that each Lender designating any Conduit Lender hereby agrees to indemnify, save and hold harmless each other party hereto and each Loan Party for any loss, cost, damage or expense arising out of its inability to institute such a proceeding against such Conduit Lender during such period of forbearance.
- (h) If the Borrower wishes to replace the Loans or Commitments under any Facility with ones having different terms, it shall have the option, with the consent of the Administrative Agent and subject to at least three Business Days' advance notice to the Lenders under such Facility, instead of prepaying the Loans or reducing or terminating the Commitments to be replaced, to (i) require the Lenders under such Facility to assign such Loans or Commitments to the Administrative Agent or its designees and (ii) amend the terms thereof in accordance with Section 9.08 (with such replacement, if applicable, being deemed to have been made pursuant to Section 9.08(d)). Pursuant to any such assignment, all Loans and Commitments to be replaced shall be purchased at par (allocated among the Lenders under such Facility in the same manner as would be required if such Loans were being optionally prepaid or such Commitments were being optionally reduced or terminated by the Borrower), accompanied by payment of any accrued interest and fees thereon and any amounts owing pursuant to Section 9.05(b). By receiving such purchase price, the Lenders under such Facility shall automatically be deemed to have assigned the Loans or Commitments under such Facility pursuant to the terms of the form of Assignment and Acceptance attached hereto as Exhibit A, and accordingly no other action by such Lenders shall be required in connection therewith. The provisions of this clause (h) are intended to facilitate the maintenance of the perfection and priority of existing security interests in the Collateral during any such replacement.
- (i) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, including Section 2.18(c) (which provisions shall not be applicable to clauses (i) or (j) of this Section 9.04), any of the Borrower or its Subsidiaries may purchase by way of assignment and become an Assignee with respect to Term Loans at any time and from time to time from Lenders in accordance with Section 9.04(b) hereof, in each case, through (1) Dutch auction procedures open to all applicable Lenders on a pro rata basis in accordance with customary procedures to be agreed between the Borrower and the auction agent (it being understood that the Administrative Agent shall be under no obligation to agree to act as the auction agent unless it is reasonably satisfied with the terms and restrictions of such auction) or (2) open market purchases (each, a "Permitted Loan Purchase"); provided, that, in respect of any Permitted Loan Purchase, (A) no Permitted Loan Purchase shall be made from the proceeds of any extensions of credit under the Revolving Facility, (B) upon consummation of any such Permitted Loan Purchase, the Loans purchased pursuant thereto shall be deemed to be automatically and immediately cancelled and extinguished in accordance with Section 9.04(j), (C) in connection with any such Permitted Loan Purchase, any of the Borrower or its Subsidiaries, and such Lender that is the assignor (an "Assignor") shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent a Permitted Loan Purchase Assignment and Acceptance (and for the avoidance of doubt, (x) shall make the representations and warranties set forth in the Permitted Loan Purchase Assignment and Acceptance and (y) shall not be required to execute and deliver an Assignment and Acceptance pursuant to Section 9.04(b)(ii)(B)) and shall otherwise comply with the conditions to assignments under this Section 9.04 and (D) no Default or Event of Default would exist immediately after giving effect on a Pro Forma Basis to such Permitted Loan Purchase.
- (j) Each Permitted Loan Purchase shall, for purposes of this Agreement be deemed to be an automatic and immediate cancellation and extinguishment of such Term Loans and the Borrower shall, upon consummation of any Permitted Loan Purchase, notify the Administrative Agent that the Register be updated to record such event as if it were a prepayment of such Loans.

(k) 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 Issuing Bank, any 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 Revolving Facility Percentage; provided that 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.

Section 9.05 Expenses; Indemnity. (a) The Borrower agrees to pay (i) all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses (including Other Taxes) incurred by the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent in connection with the preparation of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, or by the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent in connection with the administration of this Agreement and any amendments, modifications or waivers of the provisions hereof or thereof, including the reasonable fees, charges and disbursements of Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP, counsel for the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent and the Arrangers and the Co-Manager, and, if necessary, the reasonable fees, charges and disbursements of one local counsel per jurisdiction, and (ii) all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses (including Other Taxes) incurred by the Agents, any Issuing Bank or any Lender in connection with the enforcement of their rights in connection with this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, in connection with the Loans made or the Letters of Credit issued hereunder, including the fees, charges and disbursements of a single counsel for all such persons, taken as a whole, and, if necessary, a single local counsel in each appropriate jurisdiction for all such persons, taken as a whole (and, in the case of an actual or perceived conflict of interest where such person affected by such conflict informs the Borrower of such conflict and thereafter retains its own counsel with the Borrower's prior written consent (not to be unreasonably withheld), of another firm of counsel for such affected person).

(b) The Borrower agrees to indemnify the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent, the Arrangers, the Joint Bookrunners, the Co-Manager, each Issuing Bank, each Lender, the Syndication Agents, the Documentation Agents, each of their respective Affiliates, successors and assignors, and each of their respective directors, officers, employees, agents, trustees, advisors and members (each such person being called an "Indemnitee") against, and to hold each Indemnitee harmless from, any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities and related expenses, including reasonable counsel fees, charges and disbursements (excluding the allocated costs of in house counsel and limited to not more than one counsel for all such Indemnitees, taken as a whole, and, if necessary, a single local counsel in each appropriate jurisdiction for all such Indemnitees, taken as a whole (and, in the case of an actual or perceived conflict of interest where the Indemnitee affected by such conflict informs the Borrower of such conflict and thereafter retains its own counsel with the Borrower's prior written consent (not to be unreasonably withheld), of another firm of counsel for such affected Indemnitee)), incurred by or asserted against any Indemnitee arising out of, in any way connected with, or as a result

of (i) the execution or delivery of this Agreement or any other Loan Document or any agreement or instrument contemplated hereby or thereby, the performance by the parties hereto and thereto of their respective obligations thereunder or the consummation of the Transactions and the other transactions contemplated hereby, (ii) the use of the proceeds of the Loans or the use of any Letter of Credit (including any refusal by any Issuing Bank 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), (iii) any violation of or liability under Environmental Laws by the Borrower or any Subsidiary, (iv) any actual or alleged presence, Release or threatened Release of or exposure to Hazardous Materials at, under, on, from or to any property owned, leased or operated by the Borrower or any Subsidiary or (v) any claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding relating to any of the foregoing, whether or not any Indemnitee is a party thereto and regardless of whether such matter is initiated by a third party or by the Borrower or any of their subsidiaries or Affiliates; provided, that such indemnity shall not, as to any Indemnitee, be available to the extent that such losses, claims, damages, liabilities or related expenses (x) are determined by a final, non-appealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction to have resulted from the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of such Indemnitee or any of its Related Parties, (y) arose from a material breach of such Indemnitee's or any of its Related Parties' obligations under any Loan Document (as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction in a final, non-appealable judgment) or (z) arose from any claim, actions, suits, inquiries, litigation, investigation or proceeding that does not involve an act or omission of the Borrower or any of its Affiliates and is brought by an Indemnitee against another Indemnitee (other than any claim, actions, suits, inquiries, litigation, investigation or proceeding against any Agent, Issuing Bank, Arranger or the Co-Manager in its capacity as such). None of the Indemnitees (or any of their respective affiliates) shall be responsible or liable to Borrower or any of their respective subsidiaries, Affiliates or stockholders or any other person or entity for any special, indirect, consequential or punitive damages, which may be alleged as a result of the Facilities or the Transactions. The provisions of this Section 9.05 shall remain operative and in full force and effect regardless of the expiration of the term of this Agreement, the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, the repayment of any of the Obligations, the invalidity or unenforceability of any term or provision of this Agreement or any other Loan Document, or any investigation made by or on behalf of the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank or any Lender. All amounts due under this Section 9.05 shall be payable within 15 days after written demand therefor accompanied by reasonable documentation with respect to any reimbursement, indemnification or other amount requested.

- (c) Except as expressly provided in Section 9.05(a) with respect to Other Taxes, which shall not be duplicative with any amounts paid pursuant to Section 2.17, this Section 9.05 shall not apply to any Taxes (other than Taxes that represent losses, claims, damages, liabilities and related expenses resulting from a non-Tax claim), which shall be governed exclusively by Section 2.17 and, to the extent set forth therein, Section 2.15.
- (d) To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, the Borrower shall not assert, and hereby waive, any claim against any Indemnitee, 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. No Indemnitee 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.
- (e) The agreements in this Section 9.05 shall survive the resignation of the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent or any Issuing Bank, the replacement of any Lender, the termination of the Commitments and the repayment, satisfaction or discharge of all the other Obligations and the termination of this Agreement.

Section 9.06 Right of Set-off. If an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, each Lender and each Issuing Bank 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 or such Issuing Bank to or for the credit or the account of the Borrower or any Subsidiary against any of and all the obligations of the Borrower now or hereafter existing under this Agreement or any other Loan Document held by such Lender or such Issuing Bank, irrespective of whether or not such Lender or such Issuing Bank shall have made any demand under this Agreement or such other Loan Document and although the obligations may be unmatured; provided, that in the event that any Defaulting Lender shall exercise any such right of setoff, (x) all amounts so set off shall be paid over immediately to the Administrative Agent for further application in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.22 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 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 and each Issuing Bank under this Section 9.06 are in addition to other rights and remedies (including other rights of set-off) that such Lender or such Issuing Bank may have.

Section 9.07 <u>Applicable Law</u>. THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS AND ANY CLAIMS, CONTROVERSY, DISPUTE OR CAUSES OF ACTION (WHETHER IN CONTRACT OR TORT OR OTHERWISE) BASED UPON, ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT (OTHER THAN AS EXPRESSLY SET FORTH IN OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS) SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY PRINCIPLE OF CONFLICTS OF LAW THAT COULD REQUIRE THE APPLICATION OF ANY OTHER LAW.

Section 9.08 Waivers; Amendment. (a) No failure or delay of the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank or any Lender in exercising any right or power hereunder or under any Loan Document shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right or power, or any abandonment or discontinuance of steps to enforce such a right or power, preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right or power. The rights and remedies of the Administrative Agent, each Issuing Bank and the Lenders hereunder and under the other Loan Documents are cumulative and are not exclusive of any rights or remedies that they would otherwise have. No waiver of any provision of this Agreement or any other Loan Document or consent to any departure by the Borrower or any other Loan Party therefrom shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be permitted by clause (b) below, and then such waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the purpose for which given. No notice or demand on the Borrower or any other Loan Party in any case shall entitle such person to any other or further notice or demand in similar or other circumstances.

(b) Neither this Agreement nor any other Loan Document nor any provision hereof or thereof may be waived, amended or modified except (w) as provided in Section 2.14, (x) as provided in Section 2.21, (y) in the case of this Agreement, pursuant to an agreement or agreements in writing entered into by the Borrower and the Required Lenders (or, (A) in respect of any waiver, amendment or modification of Section 4.01 or Section 2.11(i) after the Closing Date, the Required Revolving Facility Lenders (including at least two Revolving Facility Lenders that are not affiliated with each other) voting as a single Class, rather than the Required Lenders, or (B) in respect of any waiver, amendment or modification of Section 2.11(b) or (c), the Required Prepayment Lenders, rather than the Required Lenders), and (z) in the case of any other Loan Document, pursuant to an agreement or agreements in writing entered into by each Loan Party party thereto and the Administrative Agent and consented to by the Required Lenders; provided, however, that no such agreement shall:

- (i) decrease or forgive the principal amount of, or extend the final maturity of, or decrease the rate of interest on, any Loan or any L/C Disbursement, or extend the stated expiration of any Letter of Credit beyond the applicable Revolving Facility Maturity Date (except as provided in Section 2.05(c)), without the prior written consent of each Lender directly adversely affected thereby (which, notwithstanding the foregoing, such consent of such Lender directly adversely affected thereby shall be the only consent required hereunder to make such modification); provided, that any amendment to the financial definitions in this Agreement shall not constitute a reduction in the rate of interest for purposes of this clause (i),
- (ii) increase or extend the Commitment of any Lender, or decrease the Commitment Fees, L/C Participation Fees or any other Fees of any Lender without the prior written consent of such Lender (which, notwithstanding the foregoing, such consent of such Lender shall be the only consent required hereunder to make such modification); provided, that waivers or modifications of conditions precedent, covenants, Defaults or Events of Default, mandatory prepayments or of a mandatory reduction in the aggregate Commitments shall not constitute an increase or extension of the Commitments of any Lender for purposes of this clause (ii),
- (iii) extend or waive any Term Loan Installment Date or reduce the amount due on any Term Loan Installment Date or extend any date on which payment of interest on any Loan or any L/C Disbursement or any Fees is due, without the prior written consent of each Lender directly adversely affected thereby (which, notwithstanding the foregoing, such consent of such Lender directly adversely affected thereby shall be the only consent required hereunder to make such modification).
- (iv) amend the provisions of Section 7.02 with respect to the <u>pro rata</u> application of payments required thereby in a manner that by its terms modifies the application of such payments required thereby to be on a less than pro rata basis, without the prior written consent of each Lender adversely affected thereby (which, notwithstanding the foregoing, such consent of such Lender directly adversely affected thereby shall be the only consent required hereunder to make such modification),
- (v) amend or modify the provisions of this Section 9.08 or the definition of the terms "Required Lenders," "Majority Lenders," "Required Revolving Facility Lenders" or any other provision hereof specifying the number or percentage of Lenders required to waive, amend or modify any rights hereunder or make any determination or grant any consent hereunder, without the prior written consent of each Lender adversely affected thereby, in each case except, for the avoidance of doubt, as otherwise provided in Section 9.08(d) and (e) (it being understood that, with the consent of the Required Lenders, additional extensions of credit pursuant to this Agreement may be included in the determination of the Required Lenders on substantially the same basis as the Loans and Commitments are included on the Closing Date),
- (vi) release all or substantially all of the Collateral or all or substantially all of the Subsidiary Loan Parties from their respective Guarantees under the Subsidiary Guarantee Agreement, unless, in the case of a Subsidiary Loan Party, all or substantially all the Equity Interests of such Subsidiary Loan Party is sold or otherwise disposed of in a transaction permitted by this Agreement, without the prior written consent of each Lender other than a Defaulting Lender,

(vii) effect any waiver, amendment or modification that by its terms adversely affects the rights in respect of payments or collateral of Lenders participating in any Facility differently from those of Lenders participating in another Facility, without the consent of the Majority Lenders participating in the adversely affected Facility except, for the avoidance of doubt, as otherwise provided in Section 9.08(d) and (e) (it being agreed that the Required Lenders may waive, in whole or in part, any prepayment or Commitment reduction required by Section 2.11 so long as the application of any prepayment or Commitment reduction still required to be made is not changed);

<u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that no such agreement shall amend, modify or otherwise affect the rights or duties of the Administrative Agent or an Issuing Bank hereunder without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent or such Issuing Bank acting as such at the effective date of such agreement, as applicable. Each Lender shall be bound by any waiver, amendment or modification authorized by this Section 9.08 and any consent by any Lender pursuant to this Section 9.08 shall bind any Assignee of such Lender.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no Defaulting Lender shall have the 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 affected 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 disproportionately adversely relative to other affected Lenders shall require the consent of such Defaulting Lender.

- (c) Without the consent of any Lender or Issuing Bank, the Loan Parties and the Administrative Agent and/or Collateral Agent may (in their respective sole discretion, or shall, to the extent required by any Loan Document) enter into any amendment, modification or waiver of any Loan Document, or enter into any new agreement or instrument, to effect the granting, perfection, protection, expansion or enhancement of any security interest in any Collateral or additional property to become Collateral for the benefit of the Secured Parties, to include holders of Other First Liens in the benefit of the Security Documents in connection with the incurrence of any Other First Lien Debt, or as required by local law to give effect to, or protect any security interest for the benefit of the Secured Parties, in any property or so that the security interests therein comply with applicable law or this Agreement or in each case to otherwise enhance the rights or benefits of any Lender under any Loan Document.
- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement may be amended (or amended and restated) with the written consent of the Required Lenders, the Administrative Agent and the Borrower (a) to permit additional extensions of credit to be outstanding hereunder from time to time and the accrued interest and fees and other obligations in respect thereof to share ratably in the benefits of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents with the Term Loans and the Revolving Facility Loans and the accrued interest and fees and other obligations in respect thereof and (b) to include appropriately the holders of such extensions of credit in any determination of the requisite lenders required hereunder, including Required Lenders, Required Prepayment Lenders and the Required Revolving Facility Lenders.

- (e) Notwithstanding the foregoing, technical and conforming modifications to the Loan Documents may be made with the consent of the Borrower and the Administrative Agent (but without the consent of any Lender) to the extent necessary (A) to integrate any Incremental Term Loan Commitments or Incremental Revolving Facility Commitments in a manner consistent with Section 2.21, including, with respect to Other Revolving Loans or Other Term Loans, as may be necessary to establish such Incremental Term Loan Commitments or Revolving Facility Commitments as a separate Class or tranche from the existing Term Loan Commitments or Incremental Revolving Facility Commitments, as applicable, and, in the case of Extended Term Loans, to reduce the amortization schedule of the related existing Class of Term Loans proportionately, (B) to integrate any Other First Lien Debt or (C) to cure any ambiguity, omission, defect or inconsistency.
- (f) Each of the parties hereto hereby agrees that the Administrative Agent may take any and all action as may be necessary to ensure that all Term Loans established pursuant to Section 2.21 after the Closing Date that will be included in an existing Class of Term Loans outstanding on such date (an "Applicable Date"), when originally made, are included in each Borrowing of outstanding Term Loans of such Class (the "Existing Class Loans"), on a pro rata basis, and/or to ensure that, immediately after giving effect to such new Term Loans (the "New Class Loans" and, together with the Existing Class Loans, the "Class Loans"), each Lender holding Class Loans will be deemed to hold its Pro Rata Share of each Class Loan on the Applicable Date (but without changing the amount of any such Lender's Term Loans), and each such Lender shall be deemed to have effectuated such assignments as shall be required to ensure the foregoing. The "Pro Rata Share" of any Lender on the Applicable Date is the ratio of (1) the sum of such Lender's Existing Class Loans immediately prior to the Applicable Date plus the amount of New Class Loans made by such Lender on the Applicable Date over (2) the aggregate principal amount of all Class Loans on the Applicable Date.
- (g) With respect to the incurrence of any secured or unsecured Indebtedness (including any intercreditor agreement relating thereto), the Borrower may elect (in its discretion, but shall not be obligated) to deliver to the Administrative Agent a certificate of a Responsible Officer at least three Business Days prior to the incurrence thereof (or such shorter time as the Administrative Agent may agree in its reasonable discretion), together with either drafts of the material documentation relating to such Indebtedness or a description of such Indebtedness (including a description of the Liens intended to secure the same or the subordination provisions thereof, as applicable) in reasonably sufficient detail to be able to make the determinations referred to in this paragraph, which certificate shall either, at the Borrower's election, (x) state that the Borrower has determined in good faith that such Indebtedness satisfies the requirements of the applicable provisions of Sections 6.01 and 6.02 (taking into account any other applicable provisions of this Section 9.08), in which case such certificate shall be conclusive evidence thereof, or (y) request the Administrative Agent to confirm, based on the information set forth in such certificate and any other information reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent, that such Indebtedness satisfies such requirements, in which case the Administrative Agent may determine whether, in its reasonable judgment, such requirements have been satisfied (in which case it shall deliver to the Borrower a written confirmation of the same), with any such determination of the Administrative Agent to be conclusive evidence thereof, and the Lenders hereby authorize the Administrative Agent to make such determinations.
- (h) Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement may be amended, waived or otherwise modified with the written consent of the Required Revolving Facility Lenders, the Administrative Agent and the Borrower with respect to the provisions of Section 4.01 or Section 2.11(i), solely as they relate to the Revolving Facility Loans and Letters of Credit.
- (i) Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement may be amended, with the written consent of each Revolving Facility Lender, the Administrative Agent and the Borrower to the extent necessary to integrate any Alternate Currency.

Section 9.09 Interest Rate Limitation. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, if at any time the applicable interest rate, together with all fees and charges that are treated as interest under applicable law (collectively, the "Charges"), as provided for herein or in any other document executed in connection herewith, or otherwise contracted for, charged, received, taken or reserved by any Lender or any Issuing Bank, shall exceed the maximum lawful rate (the "Maximum Rate") that may be contracted for, charged, taken, received or reserved by such Lender in accordance with applicable law, the rate of interest payable hereunder, together with all Charges payable to such Lender or such Issuing Bank, shall be limited to the Maximum Rate; provided, that such excess amount shall be paid to such Lender or such Issuing Bank on subsequent payment dates to the extent not exceeding the legal limitation.

Section 9.10 Entire Agreement. This Agreement, the other Loan Documents and the agreements regarding certain Fees referred to herein constitute the entire contract between the parties relative to the subject matter hereof. Any previous agreement among or representations from the parties or their Affiliates with respect to the subject matter hereof is superseded by this Agreement and the other Loan Documents. Nothing in this Agreement or in the other Loan Documents, expressed or implied, is intended to confer upon any party other than the parties hereto and thereto any rights, remedies, obligations or liabilities under or by reason of this Agreement or the other Loan Documents.

Section 9.11 WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY LITIGATION DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF, UNDER OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OF THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR ANY OTHER THEORY). EACH PARTY HERETO (A) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND (B) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT AND THE OTHER PARTIES HERETO HAVE BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS, AS APPLICABLE, BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION 9.11.

Section 9.12 <u>Severability</u>. In the event any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement or in any other Loan Document should be held invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions contained herein and therein shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby. The parties shall endeavor in good-faith negotiations to replace the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provisions with valid provisions the economic effect of which comes as close as possible to that of the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provisions.

# Section 9.13 Counterparts; Electronic Execution of Assignments and Certain Other Documents.

(a) This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original but all of which, when taken together, shall constitute but one contract, and shall become effective as provided in Section 9.03. Delivery of an executed counterpart to this Agreement by electronic transmission pursuant to procedures approved by the Administrative Agent shall be as effective as delivery of a manually signed original.

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

Section 9.14 <u>Headings</u>. Article and Section headings and the Table of Contents used herein are for convenience of reference only, are not part of this Agreement and are not to affect the construction of, or to be taken into consideration in interpreting, this Agreement.

Section 9.15 <u>Jurisdiction</u>; <u>Consent to Service of Process</u>(a) . (a) The Borrower and each other Loan Party irrevocably and unconditionally agrees that it will not commence any action, litigation or proceeding of any kind or description, whether in law or equity, whether in contract or in tort or otherwise, against the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent, any Lender, or any Affiliate of the foregoing in any way relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document or the transactions relating hereto or thereto, in any forum other than the courts of the State of New York sitting in New York County, and of the United States District Court of the Southern District of New York, and any appellate court from any thereof, and each of the parties hereto irrevocably and unconditionally submits to the jurisdiction of such courts and agrees that all claims in respect of any such action, litigation 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 a final judgment in any such action, litigation 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 the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank or any Lender may otherwise have to bring any action or proceeding relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document against the Borrower or any other Loan Party or its properties in the courts of any jurisdiction.

- (b) Each of the parties hereto hereby irrevocably and unconditionally waives, to the fullest extent it may legally and effectively do so, any objection which it may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any suit, action or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the other Loan Documents in any New York State or federal court. Each of the parties hereto hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of such action or proceeding in any such court.
- (c) Each party to this Agreement irrevocably consents to service of process in the manner provided for notices in Section 9.01. Nothing in this Agreement will affect the right of any party to this Agreement or any other Loan Document to serve process in any other manner permitted by law.

Section 9.16 <u>Confidentiality</u>. Each of the Lenders, each Issuing Bank and each of the Agents agrees that it shall maintain in confidence any information relating to the Borrower and any Subsidiary furnished to it by or on behalf of the Borrower or any Subsidiary (other than information that (a) has become generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by such party, (b) has been independently developed by such Lender, such Issuing Bank or such Agent without violating this Section 9.16 or (c) was available to such Lender, such Issuing Bank or such Agent from a third party

having, to such person's knowledge, no obligations of confidentiality to the Borrower or any other Loan Party) and shall not reveal the same other than to its directors, trustees, officers, employees and advisors with a need to know and any numbering, administration or settlement service providers or to any person that approves or administers the Loans on behalf of such Lender (so long as each such person shall have been instructed to keep the same confidential in accordance with this Section 9.16), except: (A) to the extent necessary to comply with law or any legal process or the requirements of any Governmental Authority, the National Association of Insurance Commissioners or of any securities exchange on which securities of the disclosing party or any Affiliate of the disclosing party are listed or traded, (B) as part of normal reporting or review procedures to, or examinations by, Governmental Authorities or self-regulatory authorities, including the National Association of Insurance Commissioners or the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., (C) to its parent companies, Affiliates or auditors (so long as each such person shall have been instructed to keep the same confidential in accordance with this Section 9.16), (D) in order to enforce its rights under any Loan Document in a legal proceeding, (E) to any pledgee under Section 9.04(d) or any other prospective assignee of, or prospective Participant in, any of its rights under this Agreement (so long as such person shall have been instructed to keep the same confidential in accordance with this Section 9.16) and (F) to any direct or indirect contractual counterparty in Hedging Agreements or such contractual counterparty's professional advisor (so long as such contractual counterparty or professional advisor to such contractual counterparty agrees to be bound by the provisions of this Section 9.16); provided that, in the case of clauses (E) and (F), no information may be provided to any Disqualified Lender or person who is known to be acting for a D

Section 9.17 <u>Platform; Borrower Materials</u>. The Borrower hereby acknowledges that (a) the Administrative Agent and/or the Arrangers will make available to the Lenders and the Issuing Banks materials and/or information provided by or on behalf of the Borrower hereunder (collectively, "Borrower Materials") by posting the Borrower Materials on IntraLinks or another similar electronic system (the "Platform"), and (b) certain of the Lenders may be "public-side" Lenders (i.e., Lenders that do not wish to receive material non-public information (or, if the Borrower is not at the time a public reporting company, material information of a type that would not reasonably be expected to be publicly available if the Borrower was a public reporting company) with respect to the Borrower or its Subsidiaries or any of their respective securities) (each, a "Public Lender"). The Borrower hereby agrees that it will use commercially reasonable efforts to identify that portion of the Borrower Materials that may be distributed to the Public Lenders and that (i) all such Borrower Materials shall be clearly and conspicuously marked "PUBLIC" which, at a minimum, shall mean that the word "PUBLIC" shall appear prominently on the first page thereof, (ii) by marking Borrower Materials "PUBLIC," the Borrower shall be deemed to have authorized the Administrative Agent, the Arrangers, the Co-Manager, the Issuing Banks and the Lenders to treat such Borrower Materials as solely containing information that is either (A) publicly available information or (B) not material (although it may be sensitive and proprietary) with respect to the Borrower or its Subsidiaries or any of their respective securities for purposes of United States Federal and state securities laws (provided, however, that such Borrower Materials shall be treated as set forth in Section 9.16, to the extent such Borrower Materials constitute information subject to the terms thereof), (iii) all Borrower Materials marked "PUBLIC" are permitted to be made available through a portion of the Platform designated "Public Investor;" and (iv) the Administrative Agent and the Arrangers shall be entitled to treat any Borrower Materials that are not marked "PUBLIC" as being suitable only for posting on a portion of the Platform not designated "Public Investor."

### Section 9.18 Release of Liens and Guarantees.

- (a) The Lenders, the Issuing Banks and the other Secured Parties hereby irrevocably agree that the Liens granted to the Collateral Agent by the Loan Parties on any Collateral shall be automatically released: (i) in full upon the occurrence of the Termination Date as set forth in Section 9.18(d) below; (ii) upon the Disposition of such Collateral by any Loan Party to a person that is not (and is not required to become) a Loan Party in a transaction not prohibited by this Agreement (and the Collateral Agent may rely conclusively on a certificate to that effect provided to it by any Loan Party upon its reasonable request without further inquiry), (iii) to the extent that such Collateral comprises property leased to a Loan Party, upon termination or expiration of such lease (and the Collateral Agent may rely conclusively on a certificate to that effect provided to it by any Loan Party upon its reasonable request without further inquiry), (iv) if the release of such Lien is approved, authorized or ratified in writing by the Required Lenders (or such other percentage of the Lenders whose consent may be required in accordance with Section 9.08), (v) to the extent that the property constituting such Collateral is owned by any Guarantor, upon the release of such Guarantor from its obligations under the Guarantee in accordance with the Subsidiary Guarantee Agreement or clause (b) below (and the Collateral Agent may rely conclusively on a certificate to that effect provided to it by any Loan Party upon its reasonable request without further inquiry), (vi) as provided in Section 8.11 (and the Collateral Agent may rely conclusively on a certificate to that effect provided to it by any Loan Party upon its reasonable request without further inquiry), and (vii) as required by the Collateral Agent to effect any Disposition of Collateral in connection with any exercise of remedies of the Collateral Agent pursuant to the Security Documents. Any such release (other than pursuant to clause (i) above) shall not in any manner discharge, affect, or impair the Obligations or any Liens (other than those being released) upon (or obligations (other than those being released) of the Loan Parties in respect of) all interests retained by the Loan Parties, including the proceeds of any Disposition, all of which shall continue to constitute part of the Collateral except to the extent otherwise released in accordance with the provisions of the Loan Documents.
- (b) In addition, the Lenders, the Issuing Banks and the other Secured Parties hereby irrevocably agree that the Guarantors shall be automatically released from the Guarantees upon consummation of any transaction not prohibited hereunder resulting in such Subsidiary ceasing to exist or constitute a Subsidiary Loan Party or otherwise becoming an Excluded Subsidiary (and the Collateral Agent may rely conclusively on a certificate to that effect provided to it by any Loan Party upon its reasonable request without further inquiry); provided that any Guarantor that ceases to constitute a Subsidiary Loan Party or becomes an Excluded Subsidiary solely by virtue of no longer being a Wholly Owned Subsidiary (a "Partially Disposed Subsidiary") shall only be released from its Guarantee to the extent that (x) the other person taking an equity interest in such Partially Disposed Subsidiary, and is deemed to have made a new Investment in such Partially Disposed Subsidiary for purposes of Section 6.04 (as if such Person were then newly acquired) in an amount equal to the portion of the fair market value (as determined by the Borrower in good faith) of the net assets of such Partially Disposed Subsidiary attributable to the Borrower's equity interests therein.
- (c) The Lenders, the Issuing Banks and the other Secured Parties hereby authorize the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent, as applicable, to execute and deliver any instruments, documents, and agreements necessary or desirable to evidence and confirm the release of any Guarantor or Collateral pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this Section 9.18 and to return to the Borrower all possessory collateral (including share certificates (if any)) held by it in respect of any Collateral so released, all without the further consent or joinder of any Lender or any other Secured Party. Any representation, warranty or covenant contained in any Loan Document relating to any such Collateral or Guarantor shall no longer be deemed to be made. In connection with any release hereunder, the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent shall promptly (and the Secured Parties hereby authorize the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent to) take such action and execute any such documents as may be reasonably requested by the Borrower and at the Borrower's expense in connection with the release of any Liens created by any Loan Document in respect of such Subsidiary, property or asset; provided, that the Administrative Agent shall have received a certificate of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower containing such certifications as the Administrative Agent shall reasonably request and any such release shall be without recourse to or warranty by the Administrative Agent or Collateral Agent.

- (d) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein or any other Loan Document, on the Termination Date, all Liens granted to the Collateral Agent by the Loan Parties on any Collateral and all obligations of the Borrower and the other Loan Parties under any Loan Documents (other than such obligations that expressly survive the Termination Date pursuant to the terms hereof) shall, in each case, be automatically released and, upon reasonable request of the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and/or the Collateral Agent, as applicable, shall (without notice to, or vote or consent of, any Secured Party) take such actions as shall be required to evidence the release its security interest in all Collateral (including returning to the Borrower all possessory collateral (including all share certificates (if any)) held by it in respect of any Collateral), and to evidence the release of all obligations under any Loan Document (other than such obligations that expressly survive the Termination Date pursuant to the terms hereof), whether or not on the date of such release there may be any (i) obligations in respect of any Secured Hedge Agreements or any Secured Cash Management Agreements and (ii) any contingent indemnification obligations or expense reimburse claims not then due; provided, that the Administrative Agent shall have received a certificate of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower containing such certifications as the Administrative Agent shall reasonably request. Any such release of obligations shall be deemed subject to the provision that such obligations shall be reinstated if after such release any portion of any payment in respect of the obligations guaranteed thereby shall be rescinded, avoided, or must otherwise be restored or returned upon the insolvency, bankruptcy, dissolution, liquidation or reorganization of the Borrower or any Guarantor, or upon or as a result of the appointment of a receiver, intervenor or conservator of, or trustee or similar officer for, the Borrower or any Guarantor or any substantial part of its property, or otherwise, all as though such payment had not been made. The Borrower agrees to pay all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent (and their respective representatives) in connection with taking such actions to release security interest in all Collateral and all obligations under the Loan Documents as contemplated by this Section 9.18(d).
- (e) Obligations of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries under any Secured Cash Management Agreement or Secured Hedge Agreement (after giving effect to all netting arrangements relating to such Secured Hedge Agreements) shall be secured and guaranteed pursuant to the Security Documents only to the extent that, and for so long as, the other Obligations are so secured and guaranteed. No person shall have any voting rights under any Loan Document solely as a result of the existence of obligations owed to it under any such Secured Hedge Agreement or Secured Cash Management Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, no release of Collateral or Guarantors effected in the manner permitted by this Agreement shall require the consent of any holder of obligations under Secured Hedge Agreements or any Secured Cash Management Agreements.
- (f) In connection with any release pursuant to this Section 9.18, (i) the Collateral Agent may conclusively rely on a certificate of an officer of the Borrower or the Company as to whether any termination or release is permitted and (ii) each Secured Party (other than the Collateral Agent) hereby agrees to deliver any instruction or direction as necessary or as may be reasonably requested by the Collateral Agent pursuant to this Agreement or any other Loan Document.

Section 9.19 <u>Judgment Currency</u>. If, for the purposes of obtaining judgment in any court, it is necessary to convert a sum due hereunder or any other Loan Document in one currency into another currency, the rate of exchange used shall be that at which in accordance with normal banking procedures the Administrative Agent could purchase the first currency with such other currency on the Business Day preceding that on which final judgment is given. The obligation of the Borrower in respect of any such sum due from it to the Administrative Agent or the Lenders hereunder or under the other Loan Documents shall, notwithstanding any judgment in a currency (the "<u>Judgment Currency</u>") other than that in which such sum is denominated in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Agreement (the "<u>Agreement Currency</u>"), be discharged only to the extent that on the Business Day following receipt by the Administrative Agent of any sum adjudged to be so due in the Judgment Currency, the Administrative Agent may in accordance with normal banking procedures purchase the Agreement Currency with the Judgment Currency. If the amount of the Agreement Currency so purchased is less than the sum originally due to the Administrative Agent from the Borrower in the Agreement Currency, the Borrower agrees, as a separate obligation and notwithstanding any such judgment, to indemnify the Administrative Agent or the person to whom such obligation was owing against such loss. If the amount of the Agreement Currency so purchased is greater than the sum originally due to the Administrative Agent in such currency, the Administrative Agent agrees to return the amount of any excess to the Borrower (or to any other person who may be entitled thereto under applicable law).

Section 9.20 <u>USA PATRIOT Act Notice</u>. Each Lender that is subject to the USA PATRIOT Act and the Beneficial Ownership Regulation 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 and the Beneficial Ownership Regulation, 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 and the Beneficial Ownership Regulation.

Section 9.21 [Reserved].

Section 9.22 <u>Agency of the Borrower for the Loan Parties</u>. Each of the other Loan Parties hereby appoints the Borrower as its agent for all purposes relevant to this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, including the giving and receipt of notices and the execution and delivery of all documents, instruments and certificates contemplated herein and therein and all modifications hereto and thereto.

Section 9.23 No Liability of the Issuing Banks. The Borrower assumes all risks of the acts or omissions of any beneficiary or transferee of any Letter of Credit with respect to its use of such Letter of Credit. Neither any Issuing Bank nor any of its officers or directors shall be liable or responsible for: (a) the use that may be made of any Letter of Credit or any acts or omissions of any beneficiary or transferee in connection therewith; (b) the validity, sufficiency or genuineness of documents, or of any endorsement thereon, even if such documents should prove to be in any or all respects invalid, insufficient, fraudulent or forged; (c) payment by such Issuing Bank against presentation of documents that do not comply with the terms of a Letter of Credit, including failure of any documents to bear any reference or adequate reference to the Letter of Credit; or (d) any other circumstances whatsoever in making or failing to make payment under any Letter of Credit, except that the Borrower shall have a claim against such Issuing Bank, and such Issuing Bank shall be liable to the Borrower, to the extent of any direct, but not consequential, damages suffered by the Borrower that the Borrower proves were caused by (i) such Issuing Bank's willful misconduct or gross negligence as determined in a final, non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction in determining whether documents presented under any Letter of Credit comply with the terms of the Letter of Credit or (ii) such Issuing Bank's willful failure to make lawful payment under a Letter of Credit after the presentation to it of a draft and certificates strictly complying with the terms and conditions of the Letter of Credit. In furtherance and not in limitation of the foregoing, such Issuing Bank may accept documents that appear on their face to be in order, without responsibility for further investigation, regardless of any notice or information to the contrary.

Section 9.24 <u>Acknowledgment and Consent to Bail-In of EEA Financial Institutions</u>. Solely to the extent any Lender or Issuing Bank that is an EEA Financial Institution is a party to this Agreement and 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 Lender or Issuing Bank that is an EEA Financial Institution arising under any Loan Document, to the extent such liability is unsecured, may be subject to the write-down and conversion powers of an EEA 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 an EEA Resolution Authority to any such liabilities arising hereunder which may be payable to it by any Lender or Issuing Bank that is an EEA 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 EEA Financial Institution, its parent undertaking, 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 any EEA Resolution Authority.

Section 9.25 <u>Acknowledgment Regarding Any Supported QFCs</u>. To the extent that the Loan Documents provide support, through a guarantee or otherwise, for any Swap Agreement or any other agreement or instrument that is a QFC (such support, "<u>QFC Credit Support</u>", and each such QFC, a "<u>Supported QFC</u>"), 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>U.S. Special Resolution Regimes</u>") 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):

(a) 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.

(b) As used in this Section 9.25, the following terms have the following meanings:

"BHC Act Affiliate" of a party means an "affiliate" (as such term is defined under, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 U.S.C. 1841(k)) of such party.

"Covered Entity" means any of the following: (i) a "covered entity" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 252.82(b); (ii) a "covered bank" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 47.3(b); or (iii) a "covered FSI" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 382.2(b).

"Default Right" has the meaning assigned to that term in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. §§ 252.81, 47.2 or 382.1, as applicable.

"QFC" has the meaning assigned to the term "qualified  $\underline{\text{financial}}$  contract" in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 U.S.C. 5390(c)(8)(D).

[Signature Pages Follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their respective authorized officers as of the day and year first written above.

CERENCE INC.

By: /s/ Leanne Fitzgerald

Name: Leanne Fitzgerald

Title: Vice President and Secretary

BARCLAYS BANK PLC,

as Administrative Agent, Collateral Agent, an Issuing Bank and a Lender

By: /s/ Martin Corrigan

Name: Martin Corrigan Title: Vice President

GOLDMAN SACHS BANK USA,

as an Issuing Bank and a Lender

By: /s/ Thomas M. Manning

Name: Thomas M. Manning Title: Authorized Signatory

# MORGAN STANLEY SENIOR FUNDING, INC.,

as an Issuing Bank and a Lender

By: /s/ Brian Sanderson

Name: Brian Sanderson Title: Authorized Signatory

SUNTRUST BANK

as an Issuing Bank and a Lender

By: /s/ Eric Saxon

Name: Eric Saxon
Title: Vice President

CITIBANK, N.A.,

as an Issuing Bank and a Lender

By: /s/ Ronald Horma

Name: Ronald Horma

Title: Senior Vice President, As Authorized

# **EXECUTION VERSION**

# SUBSIDIARY GUARANTEE AGREEMENT

dated and effective as of

October 1, 2019

among

The Subsidiaries of Cerence Inc. Named Herein

and

BARCLAYS BANK PLC, as Administrative Agent

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This **SUBSIDIARY GUARANTEE AGREEMENT**, dated as of October 1, 2019 (as amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, this "<u>Guaranty</u>"), by and among each Subsidiary listed on the signature page hereof and each other Subsidiary that becomes a party hereto after the date hereof (collectively, the "<u>Subsidiary Guarantors</u>") and BARCLAYS BANK PLC, as administrative agent (in such capacity, together with any successors and permitted assigns thereto, the "<u>Administrative Agent</u>") for the Secured Parties.

#### WITNESSETH:

**WHEREAS**, Cerence Inc., a Delaware corporation (together with its successors and assigns, the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the Lenders party thereto from time to time and Barclays Bank PLC, as Administrative Agent, have entered into that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of the date hereof (as amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"), providing for the extension of credit to the Borrower;

**WHEREAS**, it is a condition to the extension of credit to the Borrower under the Credit Agreement that each Subsidiary Guarantor shall have executed and delivered this Guaranty to guarantee the Obligations; and

**WHEREAS**, each Subsidiary Guarantor will obtain benefits from the extension of credit to the Borrower, and accordingly desires to execute this Guaranty in order to satisfy the conditions described in the preceding paragraph and to induce the Lenders to extend credit to the Borrower.

Accordingly, the parties hereto agree as follows:

#### 1. DEFINITIONS

Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Credit Agreement unless otherwise defined herein. References to this "Guaranty" shall mean this Guaranty, including all amendments, modifications and supplements and any annexes, exhibits and schedules to any of the foregoing, and shall refer to this Guaranty as the same may be in effect at the time such reference becomes operative. The rules of construction specified in Section 1.02 of the Credit Agreement also apply to this Guaranty.

#### 2. THE GUARANTY

(a) <u>Guaranty of Guaranteed Obligations</u>. Subject to the limitations set forth in clause (g) of this Section 2, each Subsidiary Guarantor unconditionally guarantees to the Administrative Agent, jointly and severally with the other Subsidiary Guarantors, as a primary obligor and not merely as a surety, the due and punctual payment and performance of the Obligations (the "<u>Guaranteed Obligations</u>") for the benefit of the Secured Parties. Each Subsidiary Guarantor further agrees that the Guaranteed Obligations may be extended or renewed, in whole or in part, without notice to or further assent from it, and that it will remain bound upon its guarantee notwithstanding any extension or renewal of any Guaranteed Obligation. Each Subsidiary Guarantor waives presentment to, demand of payment from and protest to the Borrower or any other Loan Party of any of the Guaranteed Obligations, and also waives notice of acceptance of its guarantee and notice of protest for nonpayment.

- (b) <u>Guaranty of Payment</u>. Each Subsidiary Guarantor further agrees that its guarantee hereunder constitutes a guarantee of payment when due (whether at stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise) and not of collection, and waives any right to require that any resort be had by the Administrative Agent or any other Secured Party to any security held for the payment of the Guaranteed Obligations or to any balance of any deposit account or credit on the books of the Administrative Agent or any other Secured Party in favor of the Borrower or any other person.
- (c) No Limitations. Except for termination or release of a Subsidiary Guarantor's obligations hereunder as expressly provided for in Section 5(g). and subject to the limitations set forth in clause (g) of this Section 2, the obligations of each Subsidiary Guarantor hereunder shall not be subject to any reduction, limitation, impairment or termination for any reason, including any claim of waiver, release, surrender, alteration or compromise, and shall not be subject to any defense or set-off, counterclaim, recoupment or termination whatsoever by reason of the invalidity, illegality or unenforceability of the Guaranteed Obligations or otherwise (other than defense of payment or performance). Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the obligations of each Subsidiary Guarantor hereunder, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, shall not be discharged or impaired or otherwise affected by: (i) the failure of the Administrative Agent or any other Secured Party to assert any claim or demand or to exercise or enforce any right or remedy under the provisions of any Loan Document or otherwise; (ii) any rescission, waiver, amendment or modification of, or any release from any of the terms or provisions of, any Loan Document or any other agreement, including with respect to any other Subsidiary Guarantor under this Guaranty; (iii) the failure to perfect any security interest in, or the exchange, substitution, release or any impairment of, any security held by the Administrative Agent or any other Secured Party for the Guaranteed Obligations; (iv) any default, failure or delay, willful or otherwise, in the performance of the Guaranteed Obligations; (v) any other act or omission that may or might in any manner or to any extent vary the risk of any Subsidiary Guarantor or otherwise operate as a discharge of any Subsidiary Guarantor as a matter of law or equity (other than the payment in full in cash in immediately available funds of all the Guaranteed Obligations); (vi) any illegality, lack of validity or enforceability of any Guaranteed Obligation; (vii) any change in the corporate existence, structure or ownership of the Borrower, or any insolvency, bankruptcy, reorganization or other similar proceeding affecting the Borrower or its assets or any resulting release or discharge of any Guaranteed Obligation (other than the payment in full in cash in immediately available funds of all the Guaranteed Obligations); (viii) the existence of any claim, set-off or other rights that such Subsidiary Guarantor may have at any time against the Borrower, any Agent, or any other corporation or person, whether in connection herewith or any unrelated transactions; provided that nothing herein will prevent the assertion of any such claim by separate suit or compulsory counterclaim; and (ix) any other circumstance (including, without limitation, any statute of limitations) or any

existence of or reliance on any representation by any Agent that might otherwise constitute a defense to, or a legal or equitable discharge of, the Borrower or any other Loan Party or any other guarantor or surety (other than defense of payment or performance). Each Subsidiary Guarantor expressly authorizes the Secured Parties (or the Agents on behalf of the Secured Parties) to take and hold security for the payment and performance of the Guaranteed Obligations, to exchange, waive or release any or all such security (with or without consideration), to enforce or apply such security and direct the order and manner of any sale thereof in their sole discretion or to release or substitute any one or more other guarantors or obligors upon or in respect of the Guaranteed Obligations, all without affecting the obligations of any Subsidiary Guarantor hereunder. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, each Subsidiary Guarantor waives any defense based on or arising out of any defense of any other Subsidiary Guarantor or the unenforceability of the Guaranteed Obligations or any part thereof from any cause, or the cessation from any cause of the liability of any other Subsidiary Guarantor, other than the payment in full in cash in immediately available funds of all the Guaranteed Obligations. The Agents and the other Secured Parties may, at their election, foreclose on any security held by one or more of them by one or more judicial or nonjudicial sales, accept an assignment of any such security in lieu of foreclosure, compromise or adjust any part of the Guaranteed Obligations, make any other accommodation with the Borrower or any other Loan Party or exercise any other right or remedy available to them against the Borrower or any other Loan Party, without affecting or impairing in any way the liability of any Subsidiary Guarantor hereunder except to the extent the Guaranteed Obligations have been paid in full in cash in immediately available funds. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, each Subsidiary Guarantor waives any defense arising out of any such election even though such election operates, pursuant to applicable law, to impair or to extinguish any right of reimbursement or subrogation or other right or remedy of such Subsidiary Guarantor against any other Subsidiary Guarantor, as the case may be, or any security.

- (d) <u>Reinstatement</u>. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 5(g)(i), each Subsidiary Guarantor agrees that its guarantee hereunder shall continue to be effective or be reinstated, as the case may be, if at any time payment, or any part thereof, of any Guaranteed Obligation is rescinded or must otherwise be restored or returned by the Administrative Agent or any other Secured Party upon the insolvency, bankruptcy, dissolution, liquidation or reorganization of the Borrower or any other Loan Party, or upon or as a result of the appointment of a receiver, intervenor or conservator of, or trustee or similar officer for, the Borrower or any other Loan Party or any substantial part of its property, or otherwise, all as though such payment had not been made.
- (e) <u>Agreement To Pay; Subrogation</u>. In furtherance of the foregoing and not in limitation of any other right that the Administrative Agent or any other Secured Party has at law or in equity against any Subsidiary Guarantor by virtue hereof, but subject to the limitations set forth in clause (g) of this Section 2, upon the failure of the Borrower or any other Loan Party to pay any Guaranteed Obligation when and as the same shall become due, whether at maturity, by acceleration, after notice of prepayment or otherwise, each Subsidiary Guarantor hereby promises to and will forthwith pay, or cause to be paid, to the Administrative Agent for distribution to the applicable Secured Party in

cash in immediately available funds the amount of such unpaid Guaranteed Obligation. Upon payment by any Subsidiary Guarantor of any sums to the Administrative Agent as provided above, all rights of such Subsidiary Guarantor against the Borrower or any other Loan Party arising as a result thereof by way of right of subrogation, contribution, reimbursement, indemnity or otherwise shall in all respects be subject to Section 6.

- (f) <u>Information</u>. Each Subsidiary Guarantor assumes all responsibility for being and keeping itself informed of the Borrower's and each other Loan Party's financial condition and assets, and of all other circumstances bearing upon the risk of nonpayment of the Guaranteed Obligations and the nature, scope and extent of the risks that such Subsidiary Guarantor assumes and incurs hereunder, and agrees that neither the Administrative Agent nor any other Secured Party will have any duty to advise such Subsidiary Guarantor of information known to it or any of them regarding such circumstances or risks.
- (g) Maximum Liability. Each Subsidiary Guarantor, and by its acceptance of this Guaranty, the Administrative Agent and each Secured Party hereby confirms that it is the intention of all such persons that this Guaranty and the Guaranteed Obligations of each Subsidiary Guarantor hereunder not constitute a fraudulent transfer or conveyance for purposes of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or any other federal, state or foreign bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar law, 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 Guaranteed Obligations of each Subsidiary Guarantor hereunder. To effectuate the foregoing intention, the Administrative Agent, the Secured Parties and the Subsidiary Guarantors hereby irrevocably agree that the Guaranteed Obligations of each Subsidiary Guarantor under this Guaranty at any time shall be limited to the maximum amount as will result in the Guaranteed Obligations of such Subsidiary Guarantor under this Guaranty not constituting a fraudulent transfer or conveyance.

#### 3. FURTHER ASSURANCES

Each Subsidiary Guarantor agrees, upon the written request of the Administrative Agent, to execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent, from time to time, any additional instruments or documents reasonably considered necessary by the Administrative Agent to cause this Guaranty to be, become or remain valid and effective in accordance with its terms.

#### 4. PAYMENTS FREE AND CLEAR OF TAXES

Each Subsidiary Guarantor agrees that it will perform or observe all of the terms, covenants and agreements that Section 2.17 of the Credit Agreement requires such Subsidiary Guarantor to perform or observe, subject to the qualifications set forth therein.

#### 5. OTHER TERMS

- (a) <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Guaranty, together with the other Loan Documents, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements relating to a guaranty of the Loans and advances under the Loan Documents.
  - (b) <u>Headings</u>. The headings in this Guaranty are for convenience of reference only and are not part of the substance of this Guaranty.
- (c) <u>Severability</u>. Whenever possible, each provision of this Guaranty shall be interpreted in such a manner to be effective and valid under applicable law, but if any provision of this Guaranty shall be prohibited by or invalid under applicable law in any jurisdiction, such provision shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or invalidity, without invalidating the remainder of such provision or the remaining provisions of this Guaranty and the invalidity of a particular provision in a particular jurisdiction shall not invalidate such provision in any other jurisdiction.
- (d) Notices. All communications and notices hereunder shall (except as otherwise expressly permitted herein) be given as provided in Section 9.01 of the Credit Agreement.
- (e) <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. Whenever in this Guaranty any Subsidiary Guarantor is referred to, such reference shall be deemed to include the permitted successors and assigns of such party (in accordance with the terms of the Credit Agreement); and all covenants, promises and agreements by any Subsidiary Guarantor that are contained in this Guaranty shall bind and inure to the benefit of its respective permitted successors and assigns.
- (f) No Waiver; Cumulative Remedies; Amendments. No failure or delay by any Agent in exercising any right, power or remedy hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right, power or remedy preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or remedy. The rights, powers and remedies of the Administrative Agent hereunder are cumulative and are not exclusive of any rights, powers or remedies that it would otherwise have. No waiver of any provision of this Guaranty or consent to any departure by any Subsidiary Guarantor therefrom shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be permitted by this Section 5(f), and then such waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the purpose for which given. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the making of any Loan or the issuance of any Letter of Credit shall not be construed as a waiver of any Default or Event of Default, regardless of whether the Administrative Agent may have had notice or knowledge of such Default or Event of Default at the time. No notice or demand on any Subsidiary Guarantor in any case shall entitle any Subsidiary Guarantor to any other or further notice or demand in similar or other circumstances. When making any demand hereunder against any of the Subsidiary Guarantors, the Administrative Agent or any other Secured Party may, but shall be under no obligation to, make a similar demand on the Borrower or any other Subsidiary Guarantor or guarantor or any release of the Borrower or any other Subsidiary Guarantor or guarantor or any release of the Borrower or any other Subsidiary Guarantor or guarantor or any release of the Borrower or any other Subsidiary Guarantor or guarantor or any other Subsidiary

Guarantors in respect of which a demand or collection is not made or any of the Subsidiary Guarantors not so released of their several obligations or liabilities hereunder, and shall not impair or affect the rights and remedies, express or implied, or as a matter of law, of the Administrative Agent or any other Secured Party against any of the Subsidiary Guarantors. For the purposes hereof "demand" shall include the commencement and continuance of any legal proceedings. Neither this Guaranty nor any provision hereof may be waived, amended or modified (other than termination or release of this Guaranty pursuant to Section 5(g)) except pursuant to an agreement or agreements in writing entered into by the Administrative Agent and the Subsidiary Guarantor or Subsidiary Guarantors with respect to which such waiver, amendment or modification is to apply, subject to any consent required in accordance with Section 9.08 of the Credit Agreement.

#### (g) Termination and Release.

- (i) This Guaranty shall automatically terminate on the Termination Date.
- (ii) A Subsidiary Guarantor shall automatically be released from its obligations hereunder in accordance with Section 9.18 of the Credit Agreement.
- (iii) In connection with any termination or release pursuant to this Section 5(g), the Administrative Agent shall execute and deliver to the Borrower all documents that the Borrower shall reasonably request to evidence such termination or release. Any execution and delivery of documents pursuant to this Section 5(g) shall be made without recourse to or warranty by the Administrative Agent. The Borrower agrees to pay all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent in connection with the execution and delivery of such documents.
- (h) <u>Counterparts</u>. This Guaranty may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original but all of which, when taken together, shall constitute but one contract. Delivery of an executed counterpart to this Guaranty by facsimile or other electronic transmission shall be as effective as delivery of a manually signed original.

#### 6. INDEMNITY; SUBROGATION AND SUBORDINATION

(a) <u>Indemnity and Subrogation</u>. In addition to all such rights of indemnity and subrogation as the Subsidiary Guarantors may have under applicable law (but subject to Section 6(c)), the Borrower agrees that (i) in the event a payment shall be made by any Subsidiary Guarantor under this Guaranty in respect of any Guaranteed Obligation of the Borrower, the Borrower shall indemnify such Subsidiary Guarantor for the full amount of such payment and such Subsidiary Guarantor shall be subrogated to the rights of the person to whom such payment shall have been made to the extent of such payment and (ii) in the event any assets of any Subsidiary Guarantor shall be sold pursuant to any Security Document to satisfy in whole or in part a Guaranteed Obligation of the Borrower, the Borrower shall indemnify such Subsidiary Guarantor in an amount equal to the greater of the book value or the fair market value of the assets so sold.

- (b) Contribution and Subrogation. Each Subsidiary Guarantor (a "Contributing Guarantor") agrees (subject to Section 6(c)) that, in the event a payment shall be made by any other Subsidiary Guarantor hereunder in respect of any Guaranteed Obligation or assets of any other Subsidiary Guarantor shall be sold pursuant to any Security Document to satisfy any Guaranteed Obligation owed to any Secured Party and such other Subsidiary Guarantor (the "Claiming Guarantor") shall not have been fully indemnified by the Borrower as provided in Section 6(a) hereof, the Contributing Guarantor shall indemnify the Claiming Guarantor in an amount equal to the amount of such payment or the greater of the book value or the fair market value of such assets, as applicable, in each case multiplied by a fraction of which the numerator shall be the net worth of such Contributing Guarantor on the date hereof and the denominator shall be the aggregate net worth of all the Subsidiary Guarantors on the date hereof (or, in the case of any Subsidiary Guarantor becoming a party hereto pursuant to Section 5.10 of the Credit Agreement, the date of the supplement hereto executed and delivered by such Subsidiary Guarantor). Any Contributing Guarantor making any payment to a Claiming Guarantor pursuant to this Section 6(b) shall be subrogated to the rights of such Claiming Guarantor under Section 6(a) hereof to the extent of such payment. The provisions of this Section 6(b) shall in no respect limit the obligations and liabilities of any Subsidiary Guarantor to the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties, and each Subsidiary Guarantor shall remain liable to the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties for the full amount guaranteed by such Subsidiary Guarantor hereunder.
- (c) <u>Subordination</u>. Notwithstanding any provision of this Guaranty to the contrary, all rights of the Subsidiary Guarantors under Sections 6(a) and 6(b) and all other rights of indemnity, contribution or subrogation of any Subsidiary Guarantor under applicable law or otherwise shall be fully subordinated to the Guaranteed Obligations until the occurrence of the Termination Date. Notwithstanding any payment or payments made by any of the Subsidiary Guarantors hereunder or any set-off or appropriation or application of funds of any of the Subsidiary Guarantors by any Secured Party, no Subsidiary Guarantor shall be entitled to be subrogated to any of the rights of the Administrative Agent or any other Secured Party against the Borrower or any other Subsidiary Guarantor or any collateral security or guarantee or right of set-off held by any Secured Party for the payment of the Guaranteed Obligations until the Termination Date shall have occurred, nor shall any Subsidiary Guarantor seek or be entitled to seek any contribution or reimbursement from the Borrower or any other Subsidiary Guarantor in respect of payments made by such Subsidiary Guarantor hereunder until the Termination Date shall have occurred. If any amount shall be paid to any Subsidiary Guarantor on account of such subrogation rights at any time prior to the Termination Date of the Guaranteed Obligations, such amount shall be held by such Subsidiary Guarantor in trust for the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties, segregated from other funds of such Subsidiary Guarantor, and shall, forthwith upon receipt by such Subsidiary Guarantor, be paid to the Administrative Agent to be credited and applied against the Guaranteed Obligations, whether matured or unmatured, in accordance with the terms of the Credit Agreement. No failure on the part of the Borrower or any

Subsidiary Guarantor to make the payments required by Sections 6(a) and 6(b) (or any other payments required under applicable law or otherwise) shall in any respect limit the obligations and liabilities of the Borrower with respect to the Obligations or any Subsidiary Guarantor with respect to its obligations hereunder, and the Borrower shall remain liable for the full amount of the Obligations and each Subsidiary Guarantor shall remain liable for the full amount of the obligations of such Subsidiary Guarantor hereunder.

#### 7. GOVERNING LAW

THIS GUARANTY AND THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES UNDER THIS GUARANTY AND ANY CLAIMS, CONTROVERSY, DISPUTE OR OTHER CAUSES OF ACTION (WHETHER IN CONTRACT OR TORT OR OTHERWISE) BASED UPON, ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS GUARANTY SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY PRINCIPLE OF CONFLICTS OF LAW THAT COULD REQUIRE THE APPLICATION OF ANY OTHER LAW.

#### 8. JURISDICTION; CONSENT TO SERVICE OF PROCESS

(a) Each Subsidiary Guarantor irrevocably and unconditionally agrees that it will not commence any action, litigation or proceeding of any kind or description, whether in law or equity, whether in contract or in tort or otherwise, against any Agent, any Secured Party, or any Affiliate of the foregoing, in any way relating to this Guaranty or the transactions relating hereto, in any forum other than the courts of the State of New York sitting in New York County, and of the United States District Court of the Southern District of New York, and any appellate court from any thereof, and each of the parties hereto irrevocably and unconditionally submits to the jurisdiction of such courts and agrees that all claims in respect of any such action, litigation 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 a final judgment in any such action, litigation 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 shall affect any right that the Administrative Agent or any Secured Party may otherwise have to bring any action or proceeding relating to this Guaranty against any Subsidiary Guarantor or its properties in the courts of any jurisdiction.

(b) Each of the parties hereto hereby irrevocably and unconditionally waives, to the fullest extent it may legally and effectively do so, any objection which it may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any suit, action or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Guaranty in any New York State or federal court. Each of the parties hereto hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of such action or proceeding in any such court.

(c) Each party to this Guaranty irrevocably consents to service of process in the manner provided for notices in Section 5(d). Nothing in this Guaranty will affect the right of any party to this Guaranty to serve process in any other manner permitted by law.

#### 9. WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL

EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY LITIGATION DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF, UNDER OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS GUARANTY (WHETHER IN CONTRACT OR TORT OR OTHERWISE). EACH PARTY HERETO (A) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND (B) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT AND THE OTHER PARTIES HERETO HAVE BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS GUARANTY BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION 9.

# 10. RIGHT OF SET-OFF

If an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, each Lender is hereby authorized at any time and from time to time, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable 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 to or for the credit or the account of any Subsidiary Guarantor against any of and all the obligations of such Subsidiary Guarantor now or hereafter existing under this Guaranty owed to such Lender, irrespective of whether or not such Lender shall have made any demand under this Guaranty and although such obligations may be unmatured; provided, however, that any Defaulting Lender's set-off right hereunder shall be subject to Section 9.06 of the Credit Agreement. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, no Lender or any of its respective Affiliates shall have a right to set off and apply any deposits held by, or other Indebtedness owing by, such Lender or any of its Affiliates to or for the credit or the account of any subsidiary of a Loan Party that (i) is not a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or (ii) is a subsidiary of a person described in clause (i), unless (in either case) such subsidiary is not a direct or indirect Subsidiary of the Borrower. Each Lender agrees promptly to notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent after any such set off and application made by such Lender; provided that the failure to give such notice shall not affect the validity of such set off and application. The rights of each Lender under this Section 10 are in addition to other rights and remedies (including other rights of set off) that such Lender may have.

#### 11. ADDITIONAL SUBSIDIARIES

Upon execution and delivery by any Subsidiary of the Borrower that is required to become a party hereto by Section 5.10 of the Credit Agreement (or that is referred to in clause (b) of the definition of Subsidiary Loan Party) of an instrument substantially in the form of Exhibit A hereto (or another instrument reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower), such Subsidiary shall become a Subsidiary Guarantor hereunder with the same force and effect as if originally named as a Subsidiary Guarantor herein. The execution and delivery of any such instrument shall not require the consent of any other party to this Guaranty. The rights and obligations of each party to this Guaranty shall remain in full force and effect notwithstanding the addition of any new party to this Guaranty. Each reference to "Subsidiary Guarantor" or "Guarantor" in this Guaranty shall be deemed to include such Subsidiary.

## 12. AGENCY OF BORROWER FOR SUBSIDIARY GUARANTORS

Each of the Subsidiary Guarantors hereby appoints the Borrower as its agent for all purposes relevant to this Guaranty and the other Loan Documents, including the giving and receipt of notices and the execution and delivery of all documents, instruments and certificates contemplated herein and all modifications hereto and thereto.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Guaranty to be executed and delivered as of the date first above

written.

#### CERENCE OEPRATING COMPANY

By: /s/ Leanne Fitzgerald Name: Leanne Fitzgerald

Title: Secretary

# CONSOLIDATED MOBILE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Leanne Fitzgerald Name: Leanne Fitzgerald

Title: Secretary

# VOICEBOX TECHNOLOGIES LLC

By: /s/ Leanne Fitzgerald

Name: Leanne Fitzgerald

Title: Secretary

[Signature Page to Subsidiary Guarantee Agreement]

Accepted and Agreed to:

# BARCLAYS BANK PLC,

as Administrative Agent

By: /s/ Martin Corrigan

Name: Martin Corrigan Title: Vice President

[Signature Page to Subsidiary Guarantee Agreement]

# SUPPLEMENT NO. \_\_ TO SUBSIDIARY GUARANTEE AGREEMENT

SUPPLEMENT NO. \_\_, dated as of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_ (as amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, this "Supplement"), to the Subsidiary Guarantee Agreement, dated as of October 1, 2019 (as amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Guaranty"), among each Subsidiary listed on the signature page thereof and each other Subsidiary that became a party thereto after the date thereof (each an "Existing Guarantor" and collectively, the "Existing Guarantors") and BARCLAYS BANK PLC, as administrative agent (in such capacity, together with its successors and permitted assigns, the "Administrative Agent") for the Secured Parties.

- A. Reference is made to the Credit Agreement, dated as of October 1, 2019 (as amended, restated, supplemented, or otherwise modified from time to time, the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"), among Cerence Inc., a Delaware corporation (together with its successors and assigns, the "<u>Borrower</u>"), the Lenders party thereto from time to time and Barclays Bank PLC, as Administrative Agent.
  - B. Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Credit Agreement.
- C. Each Existing Guarantor has entered into the Guaranty in order to induce the Lenders to make Loans and each Issuing Bank to issue Letters of Credit. Section 11 of the Guaranty provides that additional Subsidiaries may become Subsidiary Guarantors (as defined in the Guaranty) under the Guaranty by execution and delivery of an instrument in the form of this Supplement. The undersigned Subsidiary of the Borrower (the "New Subsidiary") is executing this Supplement in accordance with the requirements of the Credit Agreement to become a Subsidiary Guarantor under the Guaranty in order to induce the Lenders to maintain and/or make additional Loans and each Issuing Bank to maintain and/or issue additional Letters of Credit, and as consideration for Loans previously made and Letters of Credit previously issued.

Accordingly, the New Subsidiary agrees as follows:

SECTION 1. In accordance with Section 11 of the Guaranty, the New Subsidiary by its signature below becomes a Subsidiary Guarantor under the Guaranty with the same force and effect as if originally named therein as a Subsidiary Guarantor and the New Subsidiary hereby agrees to all the terms and provisions of the Guaranty applicable to it as a Subsidiary Guarantor thereunder. In furtherance of the foregoing, the New Subsidiary does hereby guarantee to the Administrative Agent the due and punctual payment of the Guaranteed Obligations (as defined in the Guaranty) as set forth in the Guaranty. Each reference to a "Subsidiary Guarantor" or a "Guarantor" in the Guaranty and in this Supplement shall be deemed to include the New Subsidiary. The Guaranty is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. The New Subsidiary represents and warrants to the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties that this Supplement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by it and constitutes its legal, valid and binding obligation, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, subject to (i) the effects of bankruptcy, insolvency, moratorium, reorganization, fraudulent conveyance or other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally, (ii) general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law) and (iii) implied covenants of good faith and fair dealing.

SECTION 3. This Supplement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original but all of which, when taken together, shall constitute but one contract. This Supplement shall become effective when the Administrative Agent shall have received a counterpart of this Supplement that bears the signature of the New Subsidiary. Delivery of an executed counterpart to this Supplement by facsimile or other electronic transmission shall be as effective as delivery of a manually signed original.

SECTION 4. Except as expressly supplemented hereby, the Guaranty shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 5. THIS SUPPLEMENT AND THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES HEREUNDER AND ANY CLAIMS, CONTROVERSY, DISPUTE OR OTHER CAUSES OF ACTION (WHETHER IN CONTRACT OR TORT OR OTHERWISE) BASED UPON, ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS SUPPLEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY PRINCIPLE OF CONFLICTS OF LAW THAT COULD REQUIRE THE APPLICATION OF ANY OTHER LAW.

SECTION 6. In the event any one or more of the provisions contained in this Supplement should be held invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions contained herein and in the Guaranty shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby. The parties shall endeavor in good-faith negotiations to replace the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provisions with valid provisions the economic effect of which comes as close as possible to that of the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provisions.

SECTION 7. All communications and notices hereunder shall be in writing and given as provided in Section 5(d) of the Guaranty.

SECTION 8. The New Subsidiary agrees to reimburse the Administrative Agent for its reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses in connection with this Supplement, including the reasonable and documented fees, disbursements and other charges of counsel to the Administrative Agent.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the New Subsidiary has duly executed this Supplement as of	the day and year first above written.
[Name of N	Josef Subcidiary

By:				
	Name:			
	Title			

[Signature Page to Supplement to Subsidiary Guarantee Agreement]

# COLLATERAL AGREEMENT

dated and effective as of

October 1, 2019

among

CERENCE INC., as Borrower,

each Subsidiary Loan Party party hereto

and

BARCLAYS BANK PLC, as Collateral Agent

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# **Exhibits**

Exhibit I

Form of Supplement to the Collateral Agreement Form of Notice of Grant of Security Interest in Intellectual Property Exhibit II

COLLATERAL AGREEMENT dated and effective as of October 1, 2019 (this "Agreement"), is among CERENCE INC. (the "Borrower"), each Subsidiary of the Borrower party hereto and BARCLAYS BANK PLC, as collateral agent for the Secured Parties referred to herein (together with its successors and assigns in such capacity, the "Collateral Agent").

#### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

Reference is made to the Credit Agreement, dated as of October 1, 2019 (as amended, restated, supplemented, replaced or otherwise modified from time to time, the "*Credit Agreement*"), among the Borrower, the Lenders party thereto from time to time, Barclays Bank PLC, as administrative agent and collateral agent, and the other parties party thereto.

The Lenders and the Issuing Banks have agreed to extend credit to the Borrower subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Credit Agreement. The obligations of the Lenders and the Issuing Banks to extend such credit are conditioned upon, among other things, the execution and delivery of this Agreement. The Subsidiary Loan Parties, as affiliates of the Borrower, will derive substantial benefits from the extension of credit to the Borrower pursuant to the Credit Agreement. The Subsidiary Loan Parties are willing to execute and deliver this Agreement in order to induce the Lenders and the Issuing Banks to extend such credit under the Credit Agreement. Therefore, to induce the Lenders and the Issuing Banks to make their respective extensions of credit, the parties hereto agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE I

#### **Definitions**

SECTION 1.01. *Credit Agreement*. (a) Capitalized terms used in this Agreement and not otherwise defined herein have the respective meanings assigned thereto in the Credit Agreement. All terms defined in the New York UCC (as defined herein) and not defined in this Agreement or the Credit Agreement have the meanings specified therein. The term "instrument" shall have the meaning specified in Article 9 of the New York UCC.

(b) The rules of construction specified in Section 1.02 of the Credit Agreement also apply to this Agreement.

SECTION 1.02. Other Defined Terms. As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings specified below:

"Account Debtor" means any person who is or who may become obligated to any Pledgor under, with respect to or on account of an Account, Chattel Paper or General Intangibles.

"Agreement" has the meaning assigned to such term in the introductory paragraph of this agreement, as amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.

- "Article 9 Collateral" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 3.01.
- "Borrower" has the meaning assigned to such term in the introductory paragraph of this Agreement.
- "Collateral" means Article 9 Collateral and Pledged Collateral. For the avoidance of doubt, the term Collateral does not include any Excluded Property or Excluded Securities.
  - "Collateral Agent" has the meaning assigned to such term in the introductory paragraph of this Agreement.
- "Copyright License" means any written agreement, now or hereafter in effect, granting any right to any Pledgor under any Copyright now or hereafter owned by any third party, and all rights of any Pledgor under any such agreement (including any such rights that such Pledgor has the right to license).
- "Copyrights" means all of the following: (a) all copyright rights in any work subject to the copyright laws of the United States or any other country, whether as author, assignee, transferee or otherwise and (b) all registrations and applications for registration of any such Copyright in the United States or any other country, including registrations, supplemental registrations and pending applications for registration in the United States Copyright Office and the right to obtain all renewals thereof, including those listed on Schedule III.
  - "Credit Agreement" has the meaning assigned to such term in the preliminary statement of this Agreement.
- "Equity Interests" of any person means any and all shares, interests, rights to purchase or otherwise acquire, warrants, options, participations or other equivalents of or interests in (however designated) equity or ownership of such person, including any preferred stock, any limited or general partnership interest and any limited liability company membership interest, and any securities or other rights or interests convertible into or exchangeable for any of the foregoing.
  - "Federal Securities Laws" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 4.03.
- "First Lien/First Lien Intercreditor Agreement" means a "Permitted Pari Passu Intercreditor Agreement" as defined in the Credit Agreement.
- "General Intangibles" means all "general intangibles" as defined in the New York UCC, including all choses in action and causes of action and all other intangible personal property of any Pledgor of every kind and nature (other than Accounts) now owned or hereafter acquired by any Pledgor, including corporate or other business records, indemnification claims, contract rights (including rights under leases, whether entered into as lessor or lessee, swap agreements and other agreements), Intellectual Property, goodwill, registrations, franchises, tax refund claims and any guarantee, claim, security interest or other security held by or granted to any Pledgor to secure payment by an Account Debtor of any of the Accounts.

- "Governmental Authority" means any federal, state, local or foreign court or governmental agency, authority, instrumentality or regulatory or legislative body.
- "Intellectual Property" means all intellectual property of every kind and nature of any Pledgor, whether now owned or hereafter acquired by any Pledgor, including, inventions, designs, Patents, Copyrights, Trademarks, Patent Licenses, Copyright Licenses, Trademark Licenses, trade secrets, domain names, confidential or proprietary technical and business information, know-how, show-how or other data or information and all related documentation.
  - "Intellectual Property Collateral" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 3.02.
- "Intercreditor Agreements" means a First Lien/First Lien Intercreditor Agreement (upon and during the effectiveness thereof), a "Permitted Junior Intercreditor Agreement" as defined in the Credit Agreement (upon and during the effectiveness thereof), and any other intercreditor agreement (upon and during the effectiveness thereof) entered into in compliance with the Loan Documents.
- "Loan Documents" means (a) the "Loan Documents" as defined in the Credit Agreement and (b) any other related documents or instruments executed and delivered pursuant to the documents referred to in the foregoing clause (a), in each case, as such documents or instruments may be amended, restated, supplemented, replaced or otherwise modified from time to time.
- "Material Adverse Effect" means a material adverse effect on the business, property, operations or financial condition of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, or the validity or enforceability of any of the Loan Documents or the rights and remedies of the Secured Parties thereunder.
  - "New York UCC" means the Uniform Commercial Code as from time to time in effect in the State of New York.
- "Notices of Grant of Security Interest in Intellectual Property" means the notices of grant of security interest substantially in the form attached hereto as *Exhibit II* or such other form as shall be reasonably acceptable to the Collateral Agent.
- "Patent License" means any written agreement, now or hereafter in effect, granting to any Pledgor any right to make, use or sell any invention or design covered by a Patent now or hereafter owned by any third party (including any such rights that such Pledgor has the right to license).

- "Patents" means all of the following: (a) all patents of the United States or the equivalent thereof in any other country or jurisdiction, including those listed on Schedule III, and all applications for patents of the United States or the equivalent thereof in any other country or jurisdiction, including those listed on Schedule III and (b) all provisionals, reissues, extensions, continuations, divisions, continuations-in-part, reexaminations or revisions thereof, and the inventions or designs disclosed or claimed therein.
- "*Perfection Certificate*" means the Perfection Certificate with respect to the Borrower and each Subsidiary Loan Party delivered to the Collateral Agent as of the Closing Date.
  - "Pledged Collateral" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.01.
  - "Pledged Debt" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.01.
- "*Pledged Securities*" means any promissory notes, stock certificates or other certificated securities now or hereafter included in the Pledged Collateral, including all certificates, instruments or other documents representing or evidencing any Pledged Collateral.
  - "Pledged Stock" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.01.
  - "Pledgor" means the Borrower and each Subsidiary Loan Party.
  - "Prior Collateral Agent" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.20.
- "Proceeds" means "Proceeds" as defined in Article 9 of the New York UCC and, in any event, also includes all proceeds of, and all other profits, products, rents or receipts, in whatever form, arising from the collection, sale, lease, exchange, assignment, licensing or other disposition of, or other realization upon, any Collateral, including all claims of the relevant Pledgor against third parties for loss of, damage to or destruction of, or for proceeds payable under, or unearned premiums with respect to, policies of insurance in respect of, any Collateral, and any condemnation or requisition payments with respect to any Collateral.
  - "SEC" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.01.
  - "Secured Obligations" means "Obligations" as defined in the Credit Agreement.
  - "Security Interest" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 3.01.
- "Subsidiary Loan Party" means any Subsidiary set forth on Schedule I and any Subsidiary that becomes a party hereto pursuant to Section 5.16.
  - "Successor Collateral Agent" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.20.

"*Trademark License*" means any written agreement, now or hereafter in effect, granting to any Pledgor any right to use any Trademark now or hereafter owned by any third party (including any such rights that such Pledgor has the right to license).

"Trademarks" means all of the following: (a) all trademarks, service marks, corporate names, company names, business names, fictitious business names, trade styles, trade dress, logos, other source or business identifiers, designs and general intangibles of like nature, now existing or hereafter adopted or acquired, all registrations thereof (if any), and all registration and recording applications filed in connection therewith, including registrations and registration applications in the United States Patent and Trademark Office or any similar offices in any State of the United States or any other country or any political subdivision thereof, and all renewals thereof, including those listed on Schedule III and (b) all goodwill associated with or symbolized by the foregoing.

#### ARTICLE II

#### Pledge of Securities

SECTION 2.01. *Pledge*. As security for the payment or performance, as the case may be, in full of the Secured Obligations, each Pledgor hereby assigns and pledges to the Collateral Agent, its successors and permitted assigns, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, and hereby grants to the Collateral Agent, its successors and permitted assigns, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, a security interest in all of such Pledgor's right, title and interest in, to and under:

- (a) the Equity Interests directly owned by it (including those listed on *Schedule II*) and any other Equity Interests obtained in the future by such Pledgor and any certificates representing all such Equity Interests (collectively, the "*Pledged Stock*"); *provided* that the Pledged Stock shall not include any Excluded Securities or Excluded Property;
- (b) (i) the debt obligations issued to such Pledgor, including those listed opposite the name of such Pledgor on *Schedule II*, (ii) any debt obligations in the future issued to such Pledgor and (iii) the certificates, promissory notes and any other instruments, if any, evidencing such debt obligations (the property described in clauses (b)(i), (ii) and (iii) above, the "*Pledged Debt*"); *provided* that the Pledged Debt shall not include any Excluded Securities or Excluded Property;
- (c) subject to Section 2.06, all payments of principal or interest, dividends, cash, instruments and other property from time to time received, received or otherwise distributed in respect of, in exchange for or upon the conversion of, and all other Proceeds received in respect of the Pledged Stock and the Pledged Debt;
- (d) subject to Section 2.06, all rights and privileges of such Pledgor with respect to the Pledged Stock, Pledged Debt and other property referred to in clause (c) above; and

(e) all Proceeds of any of the foregoing (the Pledged Stock, Pledged Debt and other property referred to in this clause (e) and in clauses (c) through (d) above being collectively referred to as the "*Pledged Collateral*"); provided that the Pledged Collateral shall not include any Excluded Property.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the Pledged Collateral, together with all right, title, interest, powers, privileges and preferences pertaining or incidental thereto, unto the Collateral Agent, its successors and permitted assigns, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, forever; subject, however, to the terms, covenants and conditions hereinafter set forth.

SECTION 2.02. *Delivery of the Pledged Collateral*. (a) Each Pledgor agrees promptly to deliver or cause to be delivered to the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, any and all Pledged Securities to the extent such Pledged Securities are either (i) Equity Interests in Subsidiaries of such Pledgor or (ii) in the case of promissory notes or other instruments evidencing Indebtedness, are required to be delivered pursuant to paragraph (b) of this Section 2.02.

- (b) To the extent any Indebtedness for borrowed money constituting Pledged Collateral (other than (i) intercompany current liabilities incurred in the ordinary course of business in connection with the cash management operations of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries and (ii) to the extent that a pledge of such promissory note or instrument would violate applicable law) owed to any Pledgor is evidenced by a promissory note in an aggregate principal amount in excess of \$5,000,000, such Pledgor shall promptly cause such promissory note to be pledged and delivered to the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, pursuant to the terms hereof. To the extent any such promissory note is a demand note, each Pledgor party thereto agrees, if requested by the Collateral Agent, to immediately demand payment thereunder upon an Event of Default specified under Section 7.01(b), (c), (h) or (i) of the Credit Agreement, unless such demand would not be commercially reasonable or would otherwise expose such Pledgor to liability to the maker.
- (c) Upon delivery to the Collateral Agent, (i) any Pledged Securities required to be delivered pursuant to the foregoing paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Section 2.02 shall be accompanied by stock powers or note powers, as applicable, duly executed in blank or other instruments of transfer reasonably satisfactory to the Collateral Agent, and by such other instruments and documents as the Collateral Agent may reasonably request and (ii) all other property comprising part of the Pledged Collateral delivered pursuant to the terms of this Agreement shall be accompanied to the extent necessary to perfect the security interest in or allow realization on the Pledged Collateral by proper instruments of assignment duly executed by the applicable Pledgor and such other instruments or documents (including issuer acknowledgments in respect of uncertificated securities) as the Collateral Agent may reasonably request. Each delivery of Pledged Securities shall be accompanied by a schedule describing the securities, which schedule shall be attached hereto as *Schedule II* (or a supplement to *Schedule II*, as applicable) and made a part hereof; *provided* that failure to attach any such schedule hereto shall not affect the validity of such pledge of such Pledged Securities. Each schedule so delivered shall supplement any prior schedules so delivered.

SECTION 2.03. *Representations, Warranties and Covenants*. The Pledgors, jointly and severally, represent, warrant and covenant to and with the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, that:

- (a) *Schedule II* correctly sets forth (and, with respect to any Pledged Stock issued by an issuer that is not a subsidiary of the Borrower, correctly sets forth, to the knowledge of the relevant Pledgor), as of the Closing Date, the percentage of the issued and outstanding units of each class of the Equity Interests of the issuer thereof represented by the Pledged Stock and includes (i) all Equity Interests pledged hereunder and (ii) all debt obligations and promissory notes or instruments evidencing Indebtedness, in each case under this clause (ii) pledged hereunder and in an aggregate principal amount in excess of \$5,000,000;
- (b) the Pledged Stock and Pledged Debt (and, with respect to any Pledged Stock or Pledged Debt issued by an issuer that is not a subsidiary of the Borrower, to the knowledge of the relevant Pledgor), as of the Closing Date, (x) have been duly and validly authorized and issued by the issuers thereof and (y) (i) in the case of Pledged Stock, are fully paid and, with respect to Equity Interests constituting capital stock of a corporation, nonassessable and (ii) in the case of Pledged Debt, are legal, valid and binding obligations of the issuers thereof, subject to the effects of bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally, general equitable principles (whether considered in a proceeding at law or in equity) and an implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing;
- (c) except for the security interests granted hereunder (or otherwise not prohibited by the Credit Agreement), each Pledgor (i) is and, subject to any transfers made not in violation of the Credit Agreement, will continue to be the direct owner, beneficially and of record, of the Pledged Securities indicated on *Schedule II* (as may be supplemented from time to time pursuant to Section 2.02(c)) as owned by such Pledgor, (ii) holds the same free and clear of all Liens, other than Permitted Liens, (iii) will make no assignment, pledge, hypothecation or transfer of, or create or permit to exist any security interest in or other Lien on, the Pledged Collateral, other than pursuant to a transaction not prohibited by the Credit Agreement and other than Permitted Liens and (iv) subject to the rights of such Pledgor under the Credit Agreement to Dispose of Pledged Collateral, will use commercially reasonable efforts to defend its title or interest thereto or therein against any and all Liens (other than Permitted Liens), however arising, of all persons;

- (d) other than as set forth in the Credit Agreement, and except for restrictions and limitations imposed by the Loan Documents or securities laws generally or otherwise not prohibited by the Credit Agreement, the Pledged Stock (other than partnership interests) is and will continue to be freely transferable and assignable, and none of the Pledged Stock is or will be subject to any option, right of first refusal, shareholders agreement, charter, by-law, memorandum of association or articles of association provisions or contractual restriction of any nature that might prohibit, impair, delay or otherwise affect the pledge of such Pledged Stock hereunder, the Disposition thereof pursuant hereto or the exercise by the Collateral Agent of rights and remedies hereunder other than those imposed under applicable Requirements of Law;
- (e) each Pledgor has the power and authority to pledge the Pledged Collateral pledged by it hereunder in the manner hereby done or contemplated;
- (f) other than as set forth in the Credit Agreement, as of the Closing Date, no consent or approval of any Governmental Authority, any securities exchange or any other person was or is necessary to the validity of the pledge effected hereby (or the transfer of the Pledged Securities upon a foreclosure thereof (other than compliance with any securities law applicable to the transfer of securities)), in each case other than such as have been obtained and are in full force and effect;
- (g) by virtue of the execution and delivery by the Pledgors of this Agreement, when any Pledged Securities (including Pledged Stock of any Domestic Subsidiary) are delivered to the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, in accordance with this Agreement and a financing statement naming the Collateral Agent as the secured party and covering the Pledged Collateral to which such Pledged Securities relate is filed in the appropriate filing office, the Collateral Agent will obtain, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, a legal, valid and perfected lien upon and security interest in such Pledged Collateral, subject only to Permitted Liens, as security for the payment and performance of the Secured Obligations, to the extent such perfection is governed by the Uniform Commercial Code of any applicable jurisdiction); and
- (h) each Pledgor that is an issuer of the Pledged Collateral confirms that it has received notice of the security interest granted hereunder and consents to such security interest and, subject to the terms of any applicable Intercreditor Agreement, agrees to transfer record ownership of the securities issued by it in connection with any request by the Collateral Agent if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing.

## SECTION 2.04. Certification of Limited Liability Company and Limited Partnership Interests.

(a) As of the Closing Date, except as set forth on *Schedule II*, the Equity Interests in limited liability companies that are pledged by the Pledgors hereunder and do not have a certificate number listed on *Schedule II* (and, with respect to any Pledged Stock issued by an issuer that is not a subsidiary of the Borrower, to the relevant Pledgor's knowledge) do not constitute a security under Section 8-103 of the New York UCC or the corresponding code or statute of any other applicable jurisdiction.

(b) The Pledgors shall at no time elect to treat any interest in any limited liability company or limited partnership controlled by a Pledgor and pledged hereunder as a "security" within the meaning of Article 8 of the New York UCC or issue any certificate representing such interest, unless promptly thereafter (and in any event within 30 days or such longer period as the Collateral Agent may permit in its reasonable discretion) the applicable Pledgor provides notification to the Collateral Agent of such election and delivers, as applicable, any such certificate to the Collateral Agent pursuant to the terms hereof.

SECTION 2.05. *Registration in Nominee Name; Denominations*. The Collateral Agent, on behalf of the Secured Parties, shall have the right (in its sole and absolute discretion) to hold the Pledged Securities in the name of the applicable Pledgor, endorsed or assigned in blank or in favor of the Collateral Agent or, if an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, in its own name as pledgee or the name of its nominee (as pledgee or as sub-agent). During the continuance of any Event of Default, each Pledgor will promptly give to the Collateral Agent copies of any notices or other communications received by it with respect to Pledged Securities registered in the name of such Pledgor. If an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, the Collateral Agent shall have the right to exchange the certificates representing Pledged Securities held by it for certificates of smaller or larger denominations for any purpose consistent with this Agreement. Each Pledgor shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause any Subsidiary that is not a party to this Agreement to comply with a request by the Collateral Agent, pursuant to this Section 2.05, to exchange certificates representing Pledged Securities of such Subsidiary for certificates of smaller or larger denominations.

#### SECTION 2.06. Voting Rights; Dividends and Interest, Etc.

- (a) Unless and until an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing and the Collateral Agent shall have given three Business Days' written notice to the relevant Pledgors of the Collateral Agent's intention to exercise its rights hereunder:
  - (i) Each Pledgor shall be entitled to exercise any and all voting and/or other consensual rights and powers inuring to an owner of Pledged Collateral or any part thereof for any purpose not prohibited by the terms of this Agreement, the Credit Agreement or any other Loan Documents; *provided* that, except as not prohibited by the Credit Agreement or any other Loan Documents, such rights and powers shall not be exercised in any manner that could be reasonably likely to materially and adversely affect the rights and remedies of any of the Collateral Agent or the other Secured Parties under this Agreement or any other Loan Documents or the ability of the Secured Parties to exercise the same.
  - (ii) The Collateral Agent shall promptly execute and deliver to each Pledgor, or cause to be executed and delivered to such Pledgor, all such proxies, powers of attorney and other instruments as such Pledgor may reasonably request for the purpose of enabling such Pledgor to exercise the voting and/or consensual rights and powers it is entitled to exercise pursuant to subparagraph (i) above.

(iii) Each Pledgor shall be entitled to receive and retain any and all dividends, interest, principal and other distributions paid on or distributed in respect of the Pledged Collateral to the extent and only to the extent that such dividends, interest, principal and other distributions are not prohibited by, and otherwise paid or distributed in accordance with, the terms and conditions of the Credit Agreement, any other Loan Document and applicable laws; provided that (A) any non-cash dividends, interest, principal or other distributions, payments or other consideration in respect thereof, including any rights to receive the same to the extent not so distributed or paid, that would constitute Pledged Securities to the extent such Pledgor has the rights to receive such Pledged Securities if they were declared, distributed and paid on the date of this Agreement, whether resulting from a subdivision, combination or reclassification of the outstanding Equity Interests of the issuer of any Pledged Securities, received in exchange for Pledged Securities or any part thereof, or in redemption thereof, as a result of any merger, consolidation, acquisition or other exchange of assets to which such issuer may be a party or otherwise or (B) any non-cash dividends and other distributions paid or payable in respect of any Pledged Securities that would constitute Pledged Securities to the extent such Pledgor has the rights to receive such Pledged Securities if they were declared, distributed and paid on the date of this Agreement, in connection with a partial or total liquidation or dissolution or in connection with a reduction of capital, capital surplus or paid in surplus, shall be and become part of the Pledged Collateral, and, if received by any Pledgor, shall not be commingled by such Pledgor with any of its other funds or property but shall be held separate and apart therefrom, shall be held in trust for the benefit of the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, and shall be promptly delivered to the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, in the same form as so received (endorsed in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the Collateral Agent).

(b) Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default and after three Business Days' written notice by the Collateral Agent to the relevant Pledgors of the Collateral Agent's intention to exercise its rights hereunder, all rights of any Pledgor to receive dividends, interest, principal or other distributions with respect to Pledged Securities that such Pledgor is authorized to receive pursuant to paragraph (a)(iii) of this Section 2.06 shall cease, and all such rights shall thereupon become vested, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, in the Collateral Agent which shall have the sole and exclusive right and authority to receive and retain such dividends, interest, principal or other distributions; *provided* that the Collateral Agent shall have the right from time to time following and during the continuance of an Event of Default to permit the Pledgors to receive and retain such amounts; *provided*, *further*, that, notwithstanding the occurrence of an Event

of Default, any Pledgor may continue to exercise dividend and distribution rights solely to the extent permitted under subclause (i), subclause (iii) and subclause (v) of Section 6.06(b) of the Credit Agreement. All dividends, interest, principal or other distributions received by any Pledgor contrary to the provisions of this Section 2.06 shall not be commingled by such Pledgor with any of its other funds or property but shall be held separate and apart therefrom, shall be held in trust for the benefit of the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, and shall be forthwith delivered to the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, and shall be forthwith delivered to the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, in the same form as so received (endorsed in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the Collateral Agent). Any and all money and other property paid over to or received by the Collateral Agent pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph (b) shall be retained by the Collateral Agent in an account to be established by the Collateral Agent upon receipt of such money or other property and shall be applied in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.02. After all Events of Default have been cured or waived and the Borrower has delivered to the Collateral Agent a certificate to that effect, the Collateral Agent shall promptly repay to each Pledgor (without interest) all dividends, interest, principal or other distributions that such Pledgor would otherwise be permitted to retain pursuant to the terms of paragraph (a)(iii) of this Section 2.06 and that remain in such account.

(c) Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default and after three Business Days' written notice by the Collateral Agent to the Borrower of the Collateral Agent's intention to exercise its rights hereunder, all rights of any Pledgor to exercise the voting and/or consensual rights and powers it is entitled to exercise pursuant to paragraph (a)(i) of this Section 2.06, and the obligations of the Collateral Agent under paragraph (a)(ii) of this Section 2.06, shall cease, and all such rights shall thereupon become vested in the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, which shall have the sole and exclusive right and authority to exercise such voting and consensual rights and powers; provided that the Collateral Agent shall have the right from time to time following and during the continuance of an Event of Default to permit the Pledgors to exercise such rights. After all Events of Default have been cured or waived and the Borrower has delivered to the Collateral Agent a certificate to that effect, each Pledgor shall have the right to exercise the voting and/or consensual rights and powers that such Pledgor would otherwise be entitled to exercise pursuant to the terms of paragraph (a)(i) above and the obligations of the Collateral Agent under paragraph (a)(ii) shall be in effect.

#### ARTICLE III

#### Security Interests in Other Personal Property

SECTION 3.01. *Security Interest*. (a) As security for the payment or performance when due (whether at the stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise), as the case may be, in full of the Secured Obligations, each Pledgor hereby assigns and pledges to the Collateral Agent, its successors and permitted assigns, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, and hereby grants to the Collateral Agent, its successors and permitted

assigns, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, a security interest (the "Security Interest") in all right, title and interest in or to any and all of the following assets and properties now owned or at any time hereafter acquired by such Pledgor or in which such Pledgor now has or at any time in the future may acquire any right, title or interest (collectively, the "Article 9 Collateral"):

- (i) all Accounts;
- (ii) all Chattel Paper;
- (iii) all cash and Deposit Accounts;
- (iv) all Documents;
- (v) all Equipment;
- (vi) all Fixtures;
- (vii) all General Intangibles, including, with respect to Intellectual Property, all claims for, and rights to sue for, past or future infringements, dilutions, misappropriations or other violations of any of the foregoing and all income, royalties, damages and payments now or hereafter due and payable with respect to any of the foregoing, including damages and payments for past or future infringement, dilutions, misappropriations or other violations thereof;
  - (viii) all Instruments (other than the Pledged Collateral, which are pledged and governed by Article II);
  - (ix) all Inventory and all other Goods not otherwise described above;
  - (x) all Investment Property (other than the Pledged Collateral, which are governed by Article II);
  - (xi) all Letter of Credit Rights;
- (xii) all Commercial Tort Claims individually in excess of \$5,000,000, as described on *Schedule IV* (as may be supplemented from time to time pursuant to Section 3.04);
  - (xiii) all books and records pertaining to the Article 9 Collateral; and
- (xiv) to the extent not otherwise included, all Proceeds, Supporting Obligations and products of any and all of the foregoing and all collateral security and guarantees given by any person with respect to any of the foregoing.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, this Agreement shall not constitute a grant of a security interest in (and the Article 9 Collateral shall not include), and the other provisions of the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents with respect to Collateral need not be satisfied with respect to, the Excluded Property.

(b) Each Pledgor hereby irrevocably authorizes the Collateral Agent at any time and from time to time to file in any relevant jurisdiction any initial financing statements (including fixture filings) with respect to the Collateral or any part thereof and amendments thereto (and continutations) that contain the information required by Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code of each applicable jurisdiction for the filing of any financing statement or amendment, including (i) if required, whether such Pledgor is an organization, the type of organization and any organizational identification number issued to such Pledgor, (ii) in the case of a financing statement filed as a fixture filing, a sufficient description of the real property to which such Collateral relates and (iii) a description of collateral that describes such property in any other manner as the Collateral Agent may reasonably determine is necessary or advisable to ensure the perfection of the security interest in the Collateral granted under this Agreement, including describing such property as "all assets" or "all personal property" or words of similar effect. Each Pledgor agrees to provide such information to the Collateral Agent promptly upon request.

The Collateral Agent is further authorized to file with the United States Patent and Trademark Office or United States Copyright Office the Notice of Grant of Security Interest in Intellectual Property substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit II and such other documents as may be reasonably necessary or advisable for the purpose of perfecting, confirming, continuing, enforcing or protecting the Security Interest granted by each Pledgor in such Pledgor's Patents, Trademarks and Copyrights, without the signature of such Pledgor, and naming such Pledgor or the Pledgors as debtors and the Collateral Agent as secured party. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no Pledgor shall be required to take any action under the laws of any jurisdiction other than the United States of America (or any political subdivision thereof) and its territories and possessions for the purpose of perfecting the Security Interest in any Article 9 Collateral of such Pledgor constituting Patents, Trademarks or Copyrights or any other assets.

- (c) The Security Interest is granted as security only and shall not subject the Collateral Agent or any other Secured Party to, or in any way alter or modify, any obligation or liability of any Pledgor with respect to or arising out of the Article 9 Collateral.
- (d) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, none of the Pledgors shall be required to enter into any control agreements or control, lockbox or similar arrangements with respect to any Deposit Accounts, Securities Accounts, Commodities Accounts or any other assets (other than the delivery of Pledged Securities to the Collateral Agent to the extent required by Article II).

SECTION 3.02. *Representations and Warranties*. The Pledgors jointly and severally represent and warrant to the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, that:

- (a) Each Pledgor has good and valid rights in and title to the Article 9 Collateral with respect to which it has purported to grant a Security Interest hereunder, except where the failure to have such rights and title would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect, and has full power and authority to grant to the Collateral Agent the Security Interest in such Article 9 Collateral pursuant hereto and to execute, deliver and perform its obligations in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, without the consent or approval of any other person other than any consent or approval that has been obtained and is in full force and effect or has otherwise been disclosed herein or in the Credit Agreement.
- (b) The Perfection Certificate has been duly prepared, completed and executed and the information set forth therein, including the exact legal name of each Pledgor, is correct and complete, in all material respects, as of the Closing Date. Except as provided in Section 5.10 of the Credit Agreement, the Uniform Commercial Code financing statements or other appropriate filings, recordings or registrations containing a description of the Article 9 Collateral that have been prepared for filing in each governmental, municipal or other office specified in the Perfection Certificate constitute all the filings, recordings and registrations (other than filings required to be made in the United States Patent and Trademark Office and the United States Copyright Office in order to perfect the Security Interest in Article 9 Collateral consisting of United States Patents, United States registered Trademarks and United States registered Copyrights) that are necessary as of the Closing Date to publish notice of and protect the validity of and to establish a legal, valid and perfected security interest in favor of the Collateral Agent (for the benefit of the Secured Parties) in respect of all Article 9 Collateral in which the Security Interest may be perfected by filing, recording or registration in the United States (or any political subdivision thereof), and no further or subsequent filing, refiling, recording, registration or reregistration is necessary in any such jurisdiction, except as provided under applicable law with respect to the filing of continuation statements or amendments. Except as provided in Section 5.10 of the Credit Agreement, each Pledgor represents and warrants that the Notices of Grant of Security Interest in Intellectual Property executed by the applicable Pledgors containing descriptions of all Article 9 Collateral that consists of material United States issued Patents (and material Patents for which United States registration applications are pending), material United States federally registered Trademarks (and material Trademarks for which United States federal registration applications are pending) and material United States registered Copyrights (and material Copyrights for which United States registration applications are pending) have been delivered to the Collateral Agent for recording with the United States Patent and Trademark Office and the United States Copyright Office pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 261, 15 U.S.C. § 1060 or 17 U.S.C. § 205 and the regulations thereunder, as applicable, and reasonably requested by the Collateral Agent, to protect the validity of and to establish a legal, valid and perfected security interest (or, in the case of Patents and Trademarks, notice thereof) in favor of the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, in respect of all Article 9 Collateral consisting of such Intellectual Property as of the Closing Date in which a security interest may be perfected by recording with the United States Patent and Trademark Office and the United States Copyright Office, and no further or subsequent filing, refiling, recording, rerecording, registration or reregistration is necessary (other than such actions as are necessary to perfect the Security Interest with respect to any Article 9 Collateral consisting of material United States federally issued, registered or pending Patents, Trademarks and Copyrights acquired or developed after the Closing Date).

- (c) The Security Interest constitutes (i) a legal and valid security interest in all the Article 9 Collateral securing the payment and performance of the Secured Obligations, as applicable, (ii) subject to the filings described in Section 3.02(b), a perfected security interest in all Article 9 Collateral in which a security interest may be perfected by filing, recording or registering a financing statement or analogous document in the United States (or any political subdivision thereof) pursuant to the Uniform Commercial Code or other applicable law in such jurisdictions and (iii) a security interest that shall be perfected in all Article 9 Collateral in which a security interest may be perfected upon the receipt and recording of the Notices of Grant of Security Interest in Intellectual Property with the United States Patent and Trademark Office and the United States Copyright Office, as applicable. The Security Interest is and shall be prior to any other Lien on any of the Article 9 Collateral other than Permitted Liens.
- (d) The Article 9 Collateral is owned by the Pledgors free and clear of any Lien, other than Permitted Liens. None of the Pledgors has filed or consented to the filing of (i) any financing statement or analogous document under the Uniform Commercial Code or any other applicable laws covering any Article 9 Collateral, (ii) any assignment in which any Pledgor assigns any Article 9 Collateral or any security agreement or similar instrument covering any Article 9 Collateral with the United States Patent and Trademark Office or the United States Copyright Office for the benefit of a third party or (iii) any assignment in which any Pledgor assigns any Article 9 Collateral or any security agreement or similar instrument covering any Article 9 Collateral with any foreign governmental, municipal or other office, which financing statement or analogous document, assignment, security agreement or similar instrument is still in effect, except, in each case, for Permitted Liens.
- (e) None of the Pledgors holds any Commercial Tort Claim individually reasonably estimated to exceed \$5,000,000 as of the Closing Date except as indicated on *Schedule IV*.
- (f) As to itself and its Article 9 Collateral consisting of Intellectual Property (the "Intellectual Property Collateral"), to each Pledgor's knowledge:
  - (i) The Intellectual Property Collateral set forth on *Schedule III* includes a true and complete list of all of the material issued and applied for United States Patents, material registered and applied for United States federal Trademarks and material United States registered Copyrights owned by such Pledgor, as of the Closing Date.
  - (ii) The Intellectual Property Collateral is subsisting and has not been adjudged invalid or unenforceable in whole or in part and, to the best of such Pledgor's knowledge, is valid and enforceable, except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. Such Pledgor is not aware of any current uses of any item of Intellectual Property Collateral that would be expected to lead to such item becoming invalid or unenforceable, except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(iii) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, (A) such Pledgor has made or performed all commercially reasonable acts, including without limitation filings, recordings and payment of all required fees and taxes, required to maintain and protect its interest in each and every item of Intellectual Property Collateral in full force and effect in the United States and (B) such Pledgor has used proper statutory notice in connection with its use of each Patent, Trademark and Copyright in the Intellectual Property Collateral.

## (iv) [Reserved].

- (v) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, no Intellectual Property Collateral is subject to any outstanding consent, settlement, decree, order, injunction, judgment or ruling restricting the use of any Intellectual Property Collateral or that would impair the validity or enforceability of such Intellectual Property Collateral.
- SECTION 3.03. *Covenants*. (a) Each Pledgor agrees promptly (and in any event, within 30 days of such change) to notify the Collateral Agent in writing of any change (i) in its corporate or organization name, (ii) in its identity or type of organization or (iii) in its jurisdiction of organization. Each Pledgor agrees not to effect or permit any change referred to in the first sentence of this paragraph (a) unless all filings have been made, or will have been made within the time period required by the Credit Agreement, under the Uniform Commercial Code that are required in order for the Collateral Agent to continue at all times following such change to have a valid, legal and perfected security interest in all the Article 9 Collateral in which a security interest may be perfected by such filing, for the benefit of the Secured Parties.
- (b) Subject to any rights of such Pledgor to Dispose of Collateral provided for in the Credit Agreement, each Pledgor shall, at its own expense, use commercially reasonable efforts to defend title to the Article 9 Collateral against all persons and to defend the Security Interest of the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, in the Article 9 Collateral and the priority thereof against any Lien that is not a Permitted Lien.
- (c) Each Pledgor agrees, at its own expense, to execute, acknowledge, deliver and cause to be duly filed all such further instruments and documents and take all such actions as the Collateral Agent may from time to time reasonably request to better assure, preserve, protect, defend and perfect the Security Interest and the rights and remedies created hereby, including the payment of any fees and taxes required in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the granting of the Security Interest and the filing of any financing statements (including fixture filings) or other documents in connection herewith or therewith, all in accordance with the terms hereof and the terms of the Credit Agreement.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Pledgor hereby authorizes the Collateral Agent, with prompt notice thereof to the Pledgors, to supplement this Agreement by supplementing *Schedule III* or adding additional schedules hereto to specifically identify any asset or item that may constitute an issued or applied for United States federal Patent, registered or applied for United States federal Trademark or registered United States federal Copyright; *provided* that any Pledgor shall have the right, exercisable within 90 days after the Borrower has been notified by the Collateral Agent of the specific identification of such Article 9 Collateral (or such later date as the Collateral Agent may agree), to advise the Collateral Agent in writing of any inaccuracy of the representations and warranties made by such Pledgor hereunder with respect to such Article 9 Collateral. Each Pledgor agrees that it will use its commercially reasonable efforts to take such action as shall be necessary in order that all representations and warranties hereunder shall be true and correct with respect to such Article 9 Collateral within 90 days after the date it has been notified by the Collateral Agent of the specific identification of such Article 9 Collateral (or such later date as the Collateral Agent may agree).

- (d) After the occurrence of an Event of Default and during the continuance thereof, the Collateral Agent shall have the right to verify under reasonable procedures the validity, amount, quality, quantity, value, condition and status of, or any other matter relating to, the Article 9 Collateral, including, in the case of Accounts or Article 9 Collateral in the possession of any third person, by contacting Account Debtors or the third person possessing such Article 9 Collateral for the purpose of making such a verification. The Collateral Agent shall have the right to share any information it gains from such inspection or verification with any Secured Party, subject to Section 9.16 of the Credit Agreement.
- (e) The Collateral Agent may discharge past due taxes, assessments, charges, fees, Liens, security interests or other encumbrances at any time levied or placed on the Article 9 Collateral and not a Permitted Lien, and may pay for the maintenance and preservation of the Article 9 Collateral to the extent any Pledgor fails to do so as required by the Credit Agreement or by this Agreement, and each Pledgor jointly and severally agrees to reimburse the Collateral Agent on demand for any reasonable and documented payment made or any reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expense incurred by the Collateral Agent pursuant to the foregoing authorization; *provided*, *however*, that nothing in this Section 3.03(e) shall be interpreted as excusing any Pledgor from the performance of, or imposing any obligation on the Collateral Agent or any Secured Party to cure or perform, any covenants or other promises of any Pledgor with respect to taxes, assessments, charges, fees, Liens, security interests or other encumbrances and maintenance as set forth herein or in the other Loan Documents.
- (f) Each Pledgor (rather than the Collateral Agent or any Secured Party) shall remain liable for the observance and performance of all the conditions and obligations to be observed and performed by it under each contract, agreement or instrument relating to the Article 9 Collateral and each Pledgor jointly and severally agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Collateral Agent and the Secured Parties from and against any and all liability for such performance.

- (g) None of the Pledgors shall make or permit to be made an assignment, pledge or hypothecation of the Article 9 Collateral or shall grant any other Lien in respect of the Article 9 Collateral, except as not prohibited by the Credit Agreement. None of the Pledgors shall make or permit to be made any transfer of the Article 9 Collateral, except as not prohibited by the Credit Agreement or any Intercreditor Agreement.
- (h) Each Pledgor irrevocably makes, constitutes and appoints the Collateral Agent (and all officers, employees or agents designated by the Collateral Agent) as such Pledgor's true and lawful agent (and attorney-in-fact) for the purpose, during the continuance of an Event of Default of making, settling and adjusting claims in respect of Article 9 Collateral under policies of insurance, endorsing the name of such Pledgor on any check, draft, instrument or other item of payment for the proceeds of such policies of insurance and for making all determinations and decisions with respect thereto. In the event that any Pledgor at any time or times shall fail to obtain or maintain any of the policies of insurance required by the Credit Agreement or any other Loan Documents or to pay any premium in whole or part relating thereto, the Collateral Agent may, without waiving or releasing any obligation or liability of the Pledgors hereunder or any Event of Default, in its sole discretion, obtain and maintain such policies of insurance and pay such premium and take any other actions with respect thereto as the Collateral Agent reasonably deems advisable. All sums disbursed by the Collateral Agent in connection with this Section 3.03(h), including reasonable and documented attorneys' fees, court costs, expenses and other charges relating thereto, shall be payable, upon demand, by the Pledgors to the Collateral Agent and shall be additional Secured Obligations secured hereby.

SECTION 3.04. *Other Actions*. In order to further ensure the attachment, perfection and priority of, and the ability of the Collateral Agent to enforce, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, the Security Interest in the Article 9 Collateral, each Pledgor agrees, in each case at such Pledgor's own expense, to take the following actions with respect to the following Article 9 Collateral:

(a) Instruments and Tangible Chattel Paper. If any Pledgor shall at any time own or acquire any Instruments (other than debt obligations which are pledged under and governed by Article II and checks received and processed in the ordinary course of business) or Tangible Chattel Paper evidencing an amount in excess of \$5,000,000, such Pledgor shall promptly (and in any event within 45 days of its acquisition or such longer period as the Collateral Agent may permit in its reasonable discretion) notify the Collateral Agent and promptly (and in any event within 5 days following such notice or such longer period as the Collateral Agent may permit in its reasonable discretion) endorse, assign and deliver the same to the Collateral Agent, accompanied by such instruments of transfer or assignment duly executed in blank as the Collateral Agent may from time to time reasonably request.

(b) *Commercial Tort Claims*. If any Pledgor shall at any time hold or acquire a Commercial Tort Claim in an amount reasonably estimated to exceed \$5,000,000, such Pledgor shall promptly notify the Collateral Agent thereof in a writing signed by such Pledgor, including a summary description of such claim, and deliver to the Collateral Agent in writing a supplement to *Schedule IV* including such description.

## SECTION 3.05. Covenants Regarding Patent, Trademark and Copyright Collateral. Except as not prohibited by the Credit Agreement:

- (a) Each Pledgor agrees that it will not knowingly do any act or omit to do any act (and will exercise commercially reasonable efforts to prevent its licensees from doing any act or omitting to do any act) whereby any Patent that is material to the normal conduct of such Pledgor's business may become prematurely invalidated, abandoned, lapsed or dedicated to the public.
- (b) Each Pledgor will, and will use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause its licensees or its sublicensees to, for each material Trademark necessary to the normal conduct of such Pledgor's business, (i) maintain such Trademark in full force free from any adjudication of abandonment or invalidity for non-use and (ii) maintain the quality of products and services offered under such Trademark in a manner consistent with the operation of such Pledgor's business.
- (c) Each Pledgor shall notify the Collateral Agent within ninety (90) days (or such longer period as the Collateral Agent may reasonably agree) if it knows that any United States federally issued or applied for Patent, United States federally registered or applied for Trademark or United States federally registered Copyright material to the normal conduct of such Pledgor's business may imminently become abandoned, lapsed or dedicated to the public, or of any materially adverse determination or development, excluding non-final office actions in the ordinary course of such Pledgor's business and similar determinations or developments in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, United States Copyright Office, any court or any similar office of any country, regarding such Pledgor's ownership of any such material Patent, Trademark or Copyright or its right to register or to maintain the same.
- (d) Each Pledgor, either by itself or through any agent, employee, licensee or designee, shall (i) inform the Collateral Agent on an annual basis of each application for, or registration or issuance of, any Patent or Trademark with the United States Patent and Trademark Office and each registration of any Copyright with the United States Copyright Office filed by or on behalf of, or issued to, or acquired by, any Pledgor during the preceding twelve-month period, and (ii) at the time of delivery of such notice under clause (i), execute and deliver the Notice of Grant of Security Interest in Intellectual Property substantially in the form attached hereto as *Exhibit II* and any and all agreements, instruments, documents and papers necessary or as the Collateral Agent may otherwise reasonably request to evidence the Collateral Agent's Security Interest in such Patent, Trademark or Copyright and the perfection thereof, *provided* that the provisions hereof shall automatically apply to any such Patent, Trademark or Copyright and any such Patent, Trademark or Copyright shall automatically constitute Collateral as if such would have constituted Collateral at the time of execution hereof and be subject to the Lien and Security Interest created by this Agreement without further action by any party.

- (e) Each Pledgor shall exercise its reasonable business judgment consistent with its past practice in any proceeding before the United States Patent and Trademark Office or the United States Copyright Office with respect to maintaining and pursuing each application relating to any Patent, Trademark and/or Copyright (and obtaining the relevant grant or registration) material to the normal conduct of such Pledgor's business and to maintain (i) each United States federally issued Patent that is material to the normal conduct of such Pledgor's business and (ii) the registrations of each United States federally registered Copyright that is material to the normal conduct of such Pledgor's business, including, when applicable and necessary in such Pledgor's reasonable business judgment, timely filings of applications for renewal, affidavits of use, affidavits of incontestability and payment of maintenance fees, and, if any Pledgor believes necessary in its reasonable business judgment, to initiate opposition, interference and cancellation proceedings against third parties.
- (f) Upon and during the continuance of an Event of Default, at the reasonable request of the Applicable Agent, each Pledgor shall use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain all requisite consents or approvals from each licensor under each Copyright License, Patent License or Trademark License to effect the assignment of all such Pledgor's right, title and interest thereunder to (in the Applicable Agent's sole discretion) the designee of the Applicable Agent or the Applicable Agent; *provided*, *however*, that nothing contained in this Section 3.05(g) should be construed as an obligation of any Pledgor to incur any costs or expenses in connection with obtaining such approval.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### Remedies

SECTION 4.01. *Remedies Upon Default*. In accordance with, and to the extent consistent with, the terms of any applicable Intercreditor Agreement, the Collateral Agent may take any action specified in this Section 4.01. Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, each Pledgor agrees to deliver each item of Collateral to the Collateral Agent on demand. It is agreed that the Collateral Agent shall have the right to take any of or all the following actions at the same or different times: (a) with respect to any Article 9 Collateral consisting of Intellectual Property, on demand, to cause the Security Interest to become an assignment, transfer and conveyance of any of or all such Article 9 Collateral by the applicable Pledgors to the Collateral Agent or to license or sublicense (subject to any such licensee's obligation to maintain the quality of the goods and/or services provided under any Trademark consistent with the quality of such goods and/or services provided by the Pledgors immediately prior to the Event of Default), whether general, special or otherwise, and whether on an exclusive or a nonexclusive basis, any such Article 9 Collateral throughout the world on such terms and conditions and in such manner as the Collateral Agent shall determine (other than in violation of any then-existing licensing or trademark co-existence arrangements to the

extent that waivers thereunder cannot be obtained with the use of commercially reasonable efforts, which each Pledgor hereby agrees to use) and (b) with or without legal process and with or without prior notice or demand for performance, to take possession of the Article 9 Collateral and without liability for trespass to the applicable Pledgor to enter any premises where the Article 9 Collateral may be located for the purpose of taking possession of or removing the Article 9 Collateral and, generally, to exercise any and all rights afforded to a secured party under the applicable Uniform Commercial Code or other applicable law or in equity. The Collateral Agent agrees and covenants not to exercise any of the rights or remedies set forth in the preceding sentence unless and until the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Pledgor agrees that the Collateral Agent shall have the right, subject to the mandatory requirements of applicable law, but without demand of performance or other demand, presentment, protest, advertisement or notice of any kind (except any notice required by law referred to below) to or upon the Pledgors, the Borrower, or any other Person (all and each of which demands, defenses, advertisements and notices are hereby waived), to forthwith collect, receive, appropriate and realize upon the Collateral, or any part thereof, and/or to forthwith sell or otherwise Dispose of all or any part of the Collateral at a public or private sale or at any broker's board or on any securities exchange, for cash, upon credit or for future delivery as the Collateral Agent shall deem appropriate. The Collateral Agent shall be authorized in connection with any sale of a security (if it deems it advisable to do so) pursuant to the foregoing to restrict the prospective bidders or purchasers to persons who represent and agree that they are purchasing such security for their own account, for investment, and not with a view to the distribution or sale thereof. Upon consummation of any such Disposition of Collateral pursuant to this Section 4.01 the Collateral Agent shall have the right to assign, transfer and deliver to the purchaser or purchasers thereof the Collateral so sold (other than in violation of any then-existing licensing or trademark co-existence arrangements to the extent that waivers thereunder cannot be obtained with the use of commercially reasonable efforts, which each Pledgor hereby agrees to use). Each such purchaser at any such Disposition shall hold the property sold absolutely, free from any claim or right on the part of any Pledgor, and each Pledgor hereby waives and releases (to the extent permitted by law) all rights of redemption, stay, valuation and appraisal that such Pledgor now has or may at any time in the future have under any rule of law or statute now existing or hereafter enacted.

To the extent any notice is required by applicable law, the Collateral Agent shall give the applicable Pledgors 10 days' written notice (which each Pledgor agrees is reasonable notice within the meaning of Section 9-611 of the New York UCC or its equivalent in other jurisdictions) of the Collateral Agent's intention to make any sale of Collateral. Such notice, in the case of a public sale, shall state the time and place for such sale, in the case of a private sale, shall state the time after which the sale is to be made and, in the case of a sale at a broker's board or on a securities exchange, shall state the board or exchange at which such sale is to be made and the day on which the Collateral, or portion thereof, will first be offered for sale at such board or exchange. Any such public sale shall be held at such time or times within ordinary business hours and at such place or places as the Collateral Agent may fix and state in the notice (if any) of such sale. At any such sale, the Collateral, or the portion thereof, to be sold may be sold in one lot as an entirety or in separate parcels, as the Collateral Agent may (in its sole and absolute discretion) determine.

The Collateral Agent shall not be obligated to make any sale of any Collateral if it shall determine not to do so, regardless of the fact that notice of sale of such Collateral shall have been given. The Collateral Agent may, without notice or publication, adjourn any public or private sale or cause the same to be adjourned from time to time by announcement at the time and place fixed for sale, and such sale may, without further notice, be made at the time and place to which the same was so adjourned. In the case of any sale of all or any part of the Collateral made on credit or for future delivery, the Collateral so sold may be retained by the Collateral Agent until the sale price is paid by the purchaser or purchasers thereof, but the Collateral Agent shall not incur any liability in the event that any such purchaser or purchasers shall fail to take up and pay for the Collateral so sold and, in the case of any such failure, such Collateral may be sold again upon notice given in accordance with provisions above. At any public (or, to the extent permitted by law, private) sale made pursuant to this Section 4.01, any Secured Party may bid for or purchase for cash, free (to the extent permitted by law) from any right of redemption, stay, valuation or appraisal on the part of any Pledgor (all such rights being also hereby waived and released to the extent permitted by law), the Collateral or any part thereof offered for sale and such Secured Party may, upon compliance with the terms of sale, hold, retain and Dispose of such property in accordance with Section 4.02 without further accountability to any Pledgor therefor. For purposes hereof, a written agreement to purchase the Collateral or any portion thereof shall be treated as a sale thereof; the Collateral Agent shall be free to carry out such sale pursuant to such agreement and no Pledgor shall be entitled to the return of the Collateral or any portion thereof subject thereto, notwithstanding the fact that after the Collateral Agent shall have entered into such an agreement all Events of Default shall have been remedied and the Secured Obligations paid in full. As an alternative to exercising the power of sale herein conferred upon it, the Collateral Agent may proceed by a suit or suits at law or in equity to foreclose this Agreement and to sell the Collateral or any portion thereof pursuant to a judgment or decree of a court or courts having competent jurisdiction or pursuant to a proceeding by a court-appointed receiver. Any sale pursuant to the provisions of this Section 4.01 shall be deemed to conform to the commercially reasonable standards as provided in Section 9-610(b) of the New York UCC or its equivalent in other jurisdictions.

Solely for the purpose of enabling the Collateral Agent, during the continuance of an Event of Default to exercise rights and remedies hereunder at such time as the Collateral Agent shall be lawfully entitled to exercise such rights and remedies, and for no other purpose, each Pledgor hereby grants to the Collateral Agent a non-exclusive license to use, license or sublicense (solely as permitted by the terms of any applicable license) any of the Intellectual Property Collateral now owned or hereafter acquired by such Pledgor, wherever the same may be located; provided that, with respect to Trademarks, such Pledgor shall have such rights of quality control which are reasonably necessary under applicable law to maintain the validity and enforceability of such Trademarks. Such license shall include access to all media in which any of the licensed items may be recorded or stored and to all computer programs used for the compilation or printout hereof.

SECTION 4.02. *Application of Proceeds*. The Collateral Agent shall, subject to any applicable Intercreditor Agreement, promptly apply the proceeds, moneys or balances of any collection or sale of Collateral realized through the exercise by the Collateral Agent of its remedies hereunder, as well as any Collateral consisting of cash at any time when remedies are being exercised hereunder, as follows:

FIRST, to the payment of all costs and expenses incurred by the Collateral Agent in connection with such collection or sale or otherwise in connection with any Loan Document or any of the Secured Obligations, secured by such Collateral, including without limitation all court costs and the fees and expenses of its agents and legal counsel, the repayment of all advances made by the Collateral Agent under any Loan Document on behalf of any Pledgor, any other costs or expenses incurred in connection with the exercise of any right or remedy hereunder or under any other Loan Document, and all other fees, indemnities and other amounts owing or reimbursable to the Collateral Agent under any Loan Document in its capacity as such;

SECOND, to the payment in full of the Secured Obligations to be further distributed to the Secured Parties in accordance with the order of priority set forth in Section 7.02 of the Credit Agreement; and

THIRD, to the Pledgors, their successors or assigns, or as a court of competent jurisdiction may otherwise direct.

The Collateral Agent shall have absolute discretion as to the time of application of any such proceeds, moneys or balances in accordance with this Agreement. Upon any sale of Collateral by the Collateral Agent (including pursuant to a power of sale granted by statute or under a judicial proceeding), the receipt of the purchase money by the Collateral Agent or of the officer making the sale shall be a sufficient discharge to the purchaser or purchasers of the Collateral so sold and such purchaser or purchasers shall not be obligated to see to the application of any part of the purchase money paid over to the Collateral Agent or such officer or be answerable in any way for the misapplication thereof.

SECTION 4.03. *Securities Act, Etc.* In view of the position of the Pledgors in relation to the Pledged Collateral, or because of other current or future circumstances, a question may arise under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or any similar federal statute hereafter enacted analogous in purpose or effect (such Act and any such similar statute as from time to time in effect being called the "*Federal Securities Laws*") with respect to any Disposition of the Pledged Collateral permitted hereunder. Each Pledgor understands that compliance with the Federal Securities Laws might very strictly limit the course of conduct of the Collateral Agent if the Collateral Agent were to attempt to Dispose of all or any part of the Pledged Collateral, and might also limit the extent to which or the manner in which any subsequent transferee of any Pledged Collateral could Dispose of the same. Similarly, there may be other legal restrictions or limitations affecting the Collateral Agent in any attempt to Dispose of all or part of the Pledged Collateral under applicable Blue Sky or other state securities laws or similar laws analogous in purpose or effect. Each Pledgor acknowledges and agrees that in light of such restrictions and limitations, the Collateral Agent, subject to the terms of any applicable Intercreditor Agreement, in its sole and absolute discretion, (a) may proceed to make such a sale whether or not a registration statement for the purpose of registering such Pledged

Collateral or part thereof shall have been filed under the Federal Securities Laws or, to the extent applicable, Blue Sky or other state securities laws and (b) may approach and negotiate with a single potential purchaser to effect such sale. Each Pledgor acknowledges and agrees that any such sale might result in prices and other terms less favorable to the seller than if such sale were a public sale without such restrictions. In the event of any such sale, the Collateral Agent shall incur no responsibility or liability for selling all or any part of the Pledged Collateral at a price that the Collateral Agent, subject to the terms of any applicable Intercreditor Agreement, in its sole and absolute discretion, may in good faith deem reasonable under the circumstances, notwithstanding the possibility that a substantially higher price might have been realized if the sale were deferred until after registration as aforesaid or if more than a single purchaser were approached. The provisions of this Section 4.03 will apply notwithstanding the existence of a public or private market upon which the quotations or sales prices may exceed substantially the price at which the Collateral Agent sells.

#### ARTICLE V

#### Miscellaneous

SECTION 5.01. *Notices*. All communications and notices hereunder shall (except as otherwise expressly permitted herein) be in writing and given as provided in Section 9.01 of the Credit Agreement. All communications and notices hereunder to any Pledgor shall be given to it in care of the Borrower, with such notice to be given as provided in Section 9.01 of the Credit Agreement.

SECTION 5.02. *Security Interest Absolute*. To the extent permitted by law, all rights of the Collateral Agent hereunder, the Security Interest in the Article 9 Collateral, the security interest in the Pledged Collateral and all obligations of each Pledgor hereunder shall be absolute and unconditional irrespective of (a) any lack of validity or enforceability of any Loan Document, any other agreement with respect to any of the Secured Obligations or any other agreement or instrument relating to any of the foregoing, (b) any change in the time, manner or place of payment of, or in any other term of, all or any of the Secured Obligations, or any other amendment or waiver of or any consent to any departure from any Loan Document or any other agreement or instrument, (c) any exchange, release or non-perfection of any Lien on other collateral, or any release or amendment or waiver of or consent under or departure from any guarantee, securing or guaranteeing all or any of the Secured Obligations or (d) any other circumstance that might otherwise constitute a defense available to, or a discharge of, any Pledgor in respect of the Secured Obligations or this Agreement (other than a defense of payment or performance).

SECTION 5.03. *Limitation By Law*. All rights, remedies and powers provided in this Agreement may be exercised only to the extent that the exercise thereof does not violate any applicable provision of law, and all the provisions of this Agreement are intended to be subject to all applicable mandatory provisions of law that may be controlling and to be limited to the extent necessary so that they shall not render this Agreement invalid, unenforceable, in whole or in part, or not entitled to be recorded, registered or filed under the provisions of any applicable law.

SECTION 5.04. *Binding Effect; Several Agreements*. This Agreement shall become effective as to any party to this Agreement when a counterpart hereof executed on behalf of such party shall have been delivered to the Collateral Agent and a counterpart hereof shall have been executed on behalf of the Collateral Agent, and thereafter shall be binding upon such party and the Collateral Agent and their respective permitted successors and assigns, and shall inure to the benefit of such party, the Collateral Agent and the other Secured Parties and their respective permitted successors and assigns, except that no party shall have the right to assign or transfer its rights or obligations hereunder or any interest herein or in the Collateral (and any such assignment or transfer shall be void) except as not prohibited by this Agreement, the Credit Agreement or any other Loan Document. This Agreement shall be construed as a separate agreement with respect to each party and may be amended, modified, supplemented, waived or released in accordance with Section 5.09 or 5.15, as applicable.

SECTION 5.05. *Successors and Assigns*. Whenever in this Agreement any of the parties hereto is referred to, such reference shall be deemed to include the permitted successors and assigns of such party and all covenants, promises and agreements by or on behalf of any Pledgor or the Collateral Agent that are contained in this Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of their respective permitted successors and assigns, *provided* that no Pledgor may assign, transfer or delegate any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement except as permitted by Section 5.04.

### SECTION 5.06. Collateral Agent's Fees and Expenses; Indemnification.

- (a) The parties hereto agree that the Collateral Agent shall be entitled to reimbursement of its expenses incurred hereunder by the Pledgors, and the Collateral Agent and other Indemnitees shall be indemnified by the Pledgors, in each case of this clause (a), *mutatis mutandis*, as provided in Section 9.05 of the Credit Agreement.
- (b) Any such amounts payable as provided hereunder shall be additional Secured Obligations secured hereby and by the other Security Documents. The provisions of this Section 5.06 shall remain operative and in full force and effect regardless of the termination of this Agreement, any other Loan Document, the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, the repayment of any of the Secured Obligations, the invalidity or unenforceability of any term or provision of this Agreement or any other Loan Document or any investigation made by or on behalf of the Collateral Agent or any other Secured Party. All amounts due under this Section 5.06 shall be payable within fifteen days (or such longer period as the Collateral Agent may agree) of written demand therefor accompanied by reasonable documentation with respect to any reimbursement, indemnification or other amount requested.
  - (c) The agreements in this Section 5.06 shall survive the resignation of the Collateral Agent and the termination of this Agreement.

SECTION 5.07. Collateral Agent Appointed Attorney-in-Fact. Subject to the Intercreditor Agreements, each Pledgor hereby appoints the Collateral Agent the attorney-in-fact of such Pledgor for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Agreement and, upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, taking any action and executing any instrument that the Collateral Agent may deem necessary or advisable to accomplish the purposes hereof, which appointment is irrevocable and coupled with an interest. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, subject to applicable Requirements of Law and the Intercreditor Agreements, the Collateral Agent shall have the right, upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, with full power of substitution either in the Collateral Agent's name or in the name of such Pledgor, (a) to receive, endorse, assign or deliver any and all notes, acceptances, checks, drafts, money orders or other evidences of payment relating to the Collateral or any part thereof; (b) to demand, collect, receive payment of, give receipt for and give discharges and releases of all or any of the Collateral; (c) to ask for, demand, sue for, collect, receive and give acquittance for any and all moneys due or to become due under and by virtue of any Collateral; (d) to sign the name of any Pledgor on any invoice or bill of lading relating to any of the Collateral; (e) to send verifications of Accounts to any Account Debtor; (f) to commence and prosecute any and all suits, actions or proceedings at law or in equity in any court of competent jurisdiction to collect or otherwise, realize on all or any of the Collateral or to enforce any rights in respect of any Collateral; (g) to settle, compromise, compound, adjust or defend any actions, suits or proceedings relating to all or any of the Collateral; (h) to notify, or to require any Pledgor to notify, Account Debtors to make payment directly to the Collateral Agent; and (i) to use, sell, assign, transfer, pledge, make any agreement with respect to or otherwise deal with all or any of the Collateral, and to do all other acts and things necessary to carry out the purposes of this Agreement, as fully and completely as though the Collateral Agent were the absolute owner of the Collateral for all purposes; provided that nothing herein contained shall be construed as requiring or obligating the Collateral Agent to make any commitment or to make any inquiry as to the nature or sufficiency of any payment received by the Collateral Agent, or to present or file any claim or notice, or to take any action with respect to the Collateral or any part thereof or the moneys due or to become due in respect thereof or any property covered thereby. The Collateral Agent and the other Secured Parties shall be accountable only for amounts actually received as a result of the exercise of the powers granted to them herein, and neither they nor their officers, directors, employees or agents shall be responsible to any Pledgor for any act or failure to act hereunder, except for their own or their Related Parties' gross negligence or willful misconduct.

SECTION 5.08. Governing Law. THIS AGREEMENT AND ANY CLAIMS, CONTROVERSY, DISPUTE OR CAUSES OF ACTION (WHETHER IN CONTRACT OR TORT OR OTHERWISE) BASED UPON, ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY PRINCIPLE OF CONFLICTS OF LAW THAT COULD REQUIRE THE APPLICATION OF ANY OTHER LAW.

SECTION 5.09. *Waivers; Amendment*. (a) No failure or delay by the Collateral Agent or any other Secured Party in exercising any right, power or remedy hereunder or under any other Loan Document shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right, power or remedy, or any abandonment or discontinuance of steps to enforce such a right, power or remedy, preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or remedy. The rights, powers and remedies of the Collateral Agent and the other Secured Parties hereunder and under the other Loan Documents are cumulative and are not exclusive of any rights, powers or remedies that they would otherwise have. No waiver of any provision of this Agreement or consent to any departure by any Pledgor therefrom shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be permitted by paragraph (b) of this Section 5.09, and then such waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the purpose for which given. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the making of a Loan or the issuance of a Letter of Credit shall not be construed as a waiver of any Default or Event of Default, regardless of whether the Collateral Agent or any other Secured Party may have had notice or knowledge of such Default or Event of Default at the time. No notice or demand on any Pledgor in any case shall entitle any Pledgor to any other or further notice or demand in similar or other circumstances.

- (b) Neither this Agreement nor any provision hereof may be waived, amended or modified except pursuant to an agreement or agreements in writing entered into by the Collateral Agent and the Pledgor or Pledgors with respect to which such waiver, amendment or modification is to apply, subject to any consent required in accordance with Section 9.08 of the Credit Agreement, and except as otherwise provided in any applicable Intercreditor Agreement. The Collateral Agent may conclusively rely on a certificate of an officer of the Borrower as to whether any amendment contemplated by this Section 5.09(b) is permitted.
- (c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the Collateral Agent may grant extensions of time or waivers of the requirement for the creation or perfection of security interests in or the obtaining of insurance (including title insurance) or surveys with respect to particular assets (including extensions beyond the Closing Date for the perfection of security interests in the assets of the Pledgors on such date) where it reasonably determines, in consultation with the Borrower, that perfection or obtaining of such items cannot be accomplished without undue effort or expense by the time or times at which it would otherwise be required by this Agreement or the other Loan Documents.

SECTION 5.10. WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY LITIGATION DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF, UNDER OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR ANY OTHER THEORY). EACH PARTY HERETO (A) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND (B) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT AND THE OTHER PARTIES HERETO HAVE BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION 5.10.

SECTION 5.11. *Severability*. In the event any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement or any other Loan Document should be held invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions contained herein and therein shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby. The parties shall endeavor in good-faith negotiations to replace the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provisions with valid provisions the economic effect of which comes as close as possible to that of the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provisions.

SECTION 5.12. *Counterparts*. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original but all of which when taken together shall constitute but one contract, and shall become effective as provided in Section 5.04. Delivery of an executed counterpart to this Agreement by facsimile or other electronic transmission shall be as effective as delivery of a manually signed original.

SECTION 5.13. *Headings*. Article and Section headings and the Table of Contents used herein are for convenience of reference only, are not part of this Agreement and are not to affect the construction of, or to be taken into consideration in interpreting, this Agreement.

## SECTION 5.14. Jurisdiction; Consent to Service of Process.

- (a) Each party to this Agreement hereby irrevocably and unconditionally agrees that it will not commence any action, litigation or proceeding of any kind or description, whether in law or equity, whether in contract or in tort or otherwise, against any other party or any affiliate thereof, in any way relating to this Agreement, any other Loan Document or the transactions relating hereto or thereto, in any forum other than the courts of the State of New York sitting in New York County, and of the United States District Court of the Southern District of New York, and any appellate court from any thereof, and each of the parties hereto irrevocably and unconditionally submits to the jurisdiction of such courts and agrees that all claims in respect of any such action, litigation 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 a final judgment in any such action, litigation 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 any other Loan Document shall affect any right that the Collateral Agent or any other Secured Party may otherwise have to bring any action or proceeding relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document against any Pledgor or its properties in the courts of any jurisdiction.
- (b) Each party to this Agreement hereby irrevocably and unconditionally waives, to the fullest extent it may legally and effectively do so, any objection which it may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any suit, action or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document in any New York State or federal court sitting in New York County and any appellate court from any thereof. Each of the parties hereto hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of such action or proceeding in any such court.

(c) Each party to this Agreement irrevocably consents to service of process in the manner provided for notices in Section 5.01. Nothing in this Agreement or any other Loan Document will affect the right of any party to this Agreement or any other Loan Document to serve process in any other manner permitted by law.

### SECTION 5.15. *Termination or Release*. In each case subject to the terms of the Intercreditor Agreements:

- (a) This Agreement and the pledges made by the Pledgors herein and all other security interests granted by the Pledgors hereby shall automatically terminate and be released upon the occurrence of the Termination Date.
- (b) A Subsidiary Loan Party shall automatically be released from its obligations hereunder and the security interests in the Collateral of such Subsidiary Loan Party shall be automatically released upon the consummation of any transaction not prohibited by the Credit Agreement as a result of which such Subsidiary Loan Party ceases to be a Guarantor or is otherwise released from its obligations under the Subsidiary Guarantee Agreement pursuant to the terms of the Credit Agreement, all without delivery of any instrument or performance of any act by any party, and all rights to the applicable portions of the Collateral shall revert to such Subsidiary Loan Party.
- (c) The security interests in any Collateral shall automatically be released, all without delivery of any instrument or performance of any act by any party, (i) upon any sale or other transfer by any Pledgor of any Collateral that is not prohibited by the Credit Agreement to any person that is not a Pledgor, (ii) upon the effectiveness of any written consent to the release of the security interest granted hereby in such Collateral pursuant to Section 9.08 of the Credit Agreement (to the extent required thereby) or (iii) as otherwise may be provided in any applicable Intercreditor Agreement.
  - (d) [Reserved].
- (e) A Pledgor shall automatically be released from its obligations hereunder and/or the security interests in any Collateral shall in each case be automatically released upon the occurrence of any of the circumstances set forth in Section 9.18 of the Credit Agreement without delivery of any instrument or performance of any act by any party, and all rights to such Collateral shall revert to any applicable Pledgor.
  - (f) [Reserved].
  - (g) [Reserved].

(h) In connection with any termination or release pursuant to this Section 5.15, the Collateral Agent shall execute and deliver to any Pledgor all documents that such Pledgor shall reasonably request to evidence such termination or release (including Uniform Commercial Code termination statements), and will duly assign and transfer to such Pledgor, such of the Pledged Collateral that may be in the possession of the Collateral Agent and has not theretofore been sold or otherwise applied or released pursuant to this Agreement. Any execution and delivery of documents pursuant to this Section 5.15 shall be made without recourse to or warranty by the Collateral Agent. In connection with any release pursuant to this Section 5.15, the Pledgors shall be permitted to take any action in connection therewith consistent with such release including, without limitation, the filing of Uniform Commercial Code termination statements. Upon the receipt of any necessary or proper instruments of termination, satisfaction or release prepared by the Borrower, the Collateral Agent shall promptly execute, deliver or acknowledge such instruments or releases to evidence the release of any Collateral permitted to be released pursuant to this Agreement. The Pledgors agree to pay all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Collateral Agent (and its representatives and counsel) in connection with the execution and delivery of such release documents or instruments.

SECTION 5.16. *Additional Subsidiaries*. Upon execution and delivery by any Subsidiary that is required or permitted to become a party hereto by Section 5.10 of the Credit Agreement or the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement of the Credit Agreement of an instrument substantially in the form of *Exhibit I* hereto (or another instrument reasonably satisfactory to the Collateral Agent and the Borrower), such subsidiary shall become a Subsidiary Loan Party hereunder with the same force and effect as if originally named as a Subsidiary Loan Party herein. The execution and delivery of any such instrument shall not require the consent of any other party to this Agreement. The rights and obligations of each party to this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect notwithstanding the addition of any new party to this Agreement.

## SECTION 5.17. General Authority of the Collateral Agent.

(a) By acceptance of the benefits of this Agreement and any other Security Documents, each Secured Party (whether or not a signatory hereto) shall be deemed irrevocably (i) to consent to the appointment of the Collateral Agent as its agent hereunder and under such other Security Documents, (ii) to confirm that the Collateral Agent shall have the authority to act as the exclusive agent of such Secured Party for the enforcement of any provision of this Agreement and such other Security Documents against any Pledgor, the exercise of remedies hereunder or thereunder and the giving or withholding of any consent or approval hereunder or thereunder relating to any Collateral or any Pledgor's obligations with respect thereto, (iii) to agree that it shall not take any action to enforce any provisions of this Agreement or any other Security Document against any Pledgor, to exercise any remedy hereunder or thereunder or to give any consents or approvals hereunder or thereunder except as expressly provided in this Agreement or any other Security Document and (iv) to agree to be bound by the terms of this Agreement and any other Security Documents and any applicable Intercreditor Agreement then in effect.

(b) Each Pledgor acknowledges that the rights and responsibilities of the Collateral Agent under this Agreement with respect to any action taken by the Collateral Agent or the exercise or non-exercise by the Collateral Agent of any option, voting right, request, judgment or other right or remedy provided for herein or resulting or arising out of this Agreement shall, as between the Collateral Agent and the Secured Parties, be governed by the Credit Agreement and such other agreements with respect thereto as may exist from time to time among them (including any applicable Intercreditor Agreement then in effect), but, as between the Collateral Agent and the Pledgors, the Collateral Agent shall be conclusively presumed to be acting as agent for the applicable Secured Parties with full and valid authority so to act or refrain from acting, and no Pledgor shall be under any obligation, or entitlement, to make any inquiry respecting such authority.

SECTION 5.18. *Subject to Intercreditor Agreements; Conflicts*. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, (i) the Liens and security interests granted to the Collateral Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties pursuant to this Agreement and (ii) the exercise of any right or remedy by the Collateral Agent hereunder or the application of proceeds (including insurance and condemnation proceeds) of any Collateral, in each case, are subject to the limitations and provisions of any applicable Intercreditor Agreement to the extent provided therein. In the event of any conflict between the terms of such applicable Intercreditor Agreement shall govern.

#### SECTION 5.19. [Reserved].

SECTION 5.20. Person Serving as Collateral Agent. Written notice of resignation by the Administrative Agent under (and as defined in) the Credit Agreement pursuant to the Credit Agreement shall also constitute notice of resignation as the Collateral Agent under this Agreement. Upon the acceptance of any appointment as the Administrative Agent under (and as defined in) the Credit Agreement by a successor, that successor shall thereupon succeed to and become vested with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring Collateral Agent pursuant hereto. The Collateral Agent immediately prior to any change in Collateral Agent pursuant to this Section 5.20 (the "Prior Collateral Agent") shall be deemed to have assigned all of its rights, powers and duties hereunder to the successor Collateral Agent determined in accordance with this Section 5.20 (the "Successor Collateral Agent") and the Successor Collateral Agent shall be deemed to have accepted, assumed and succeeded to such rights, powers and duties. The Prior Collateral Agent shall cooperate with the Pledgors and such Successor Collateral Agent to ensure that all actions are taken that are necessary or reasonably requested by the Successor Collateral Agent to vest in such Successor Collateral Agent the rights granted to the Prior Collateral Agent hereunder with respect to the Collateral, including (a) the filing of amended financing statements in the appropriate filing offices, (b) to the extent that the Prior Collateral Agent holds, or a third party holds on its behalf, physical possession of or "control" (as defined in the New York UCC or the Uniform Commercial Code of any other applicable jurisdiction) (or any similar concept under foreign law) over Collateral pursuant to this Agreement or any other Security Document, the delivery to the Successor Collateral Agent of the Collateral in its possession or control together with any necessary endorsements to the extent required by this Agreement; provided, however, the foregoing shall not impose any requirement for control not otherwise expressly set forth herein, and (c) the execution and delivery of any further documents, financing statements or agreements and the taking of all such further action that may be required under any applicable law, or that the Successor Collateral Agent may reasonably request, all without recourse to, or representation or warranty by, the Collateral Agent, and at the sole cost and expense of the Pledgors.

[Signature Pages Follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have duly executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

## CERENCE INC.

By: /s/ Leanne Fitzgerald

Name: Leanne Fitzgerald

Title: Vice President and Secretary

## CERENCE OPERATING COMPANY

By: /s/ Leanne Fitzgerald

Name: Leanne Fitzgerald

Title: Secretary

## CONSOLIDATED MOBILE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Leanne Fitzgerald

Name: Leanne Fitzgerald

Title: Secretary

## VOICEBOX TECHNOLOGIES LLC

By: /s/ Leanne Fitzgerald

Name: Leanne Fitzgerald

Title: Secretary

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BARCLAYS BANK PLC, as Collateral Agent

By: /s/ Martin Corrigan

Name: Martin Corrigan Title: Vice President

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## Form of Supplement to the Collateral Agreement

SUPPLEMENT NO. [•] (this "Supplement"), dated as of [•], 20[•][•] to the Collateral Agreement dated as of October 1, 2019 (as amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Collateral Agreement"), among CERENCE INC. (the "Borrower"), each Subsidiary of the Borrower from time to time party thereto (each, a "Subsidiary Loan Party") and BARCLAYS BANK PLC, as collateral agent (together with its successors and assigns in such capacity, the "Collateral Agent") for the Secured Parties (as defined therein).

- A. Reference is made to the Credit Agreement, dated as of October 1, 2019 (as amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Credit Agreement"), among the Borrower, the Lenders party thereto from time to time, Barclays Bank PLC, as administrative agent, and the other parties thereto.
- B. Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Credit Agreement or the Collateral Agreement, as applicable.
- C. The Pledgors have entered into the Collateral Agreement pursuant to the requirements set forth in Section 5.10 of the Credit Agreement. Section 5.16 of the Collateral Agreement provides that additional Subsidiaries of the Borrower may become Subsidiary Loan Parties and Pledgors under the Collateral Agreement by execution and delivery of an instrument in the form of this Supplement. The undersigned Subsidiary (the "*New Subsidiary*") is executing this Supplement in accordance with the requirements of the Credit Agreement to become a Subsidiary Loan Party and a Pledgor under the Collateral Agreement.

Accordingly, the New Subsidiary agrees as follows:

SECTION 1. In accordance with Section 5.16 of the Collateral Agreement, the New Subsidiary by its signature below becomes a Subsidiary Loan Party and a Pledgor under the Collateral Agreement with the same force and effect as if originally named therein as a Subsidiary Loan Party and a Pledgor and the New Subsidiary hereby (a) agrees to all the terms and provisions of the Collateral Agreement applicable to it as a Subsidiary Loan Party and a Pledgor thereunder and (b) represents and warrants that the representations and warranties made by it as a Pledgor thereunder are true and correct in all material respects on and as of the date hereof. In furtherance of the foregoing, the New Subsidiary, as security for the payment and performance in full of the Secured Obligations, does hereby create and grant to the Collateral Agent, its successors and assigns, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, their successors and assigns, a security interest in and lien on all of the New Subsidiary's right, title and interest in and to the Collateral (as defined in the Collateral Agreement) of the New Subsidiary. Each reference to a "Subsidiary Loan Party" or a "Pledgor" in the Collateral Agreement shall be deemed to include the New Subsidiary (except as otherwise provided in clause (ii) of the definition of Pledgor to the extent applicable). The Collateral Agreement is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. The New Subsidiary represents and warrants to the Collateral Agent and the other Secured Parties that this Supplement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by it and constitutes its legal, valid and binding obligation, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, subject to (i) the effects of bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance or other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally, (ii) general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law) and (iii) implied covenants of good faith and fair dealing.

SECTION 3. This Supplement may be executed in counterparts (and by different parties hereto on different counterparts), each of which shall constitute an original, but all of which when taken together shall constitute a single contract. This Supplement shall become effective when the Collateral Agent shall have received a counterpart of this Supplement that bears the signature of the New Subsidiary. Delivery of an executed signature page to this Supplement by facsimile or other electronic transmission shall be as effective as delivery of a manually signed counterpart of this Supplement.

SECTION 4. The New Subsidiary hereby represents and warrants that, as of the date hereof, (a) set forth on *Schedule I* attached hereto is a true and correct schedule of any and all of (and, with respect to any Pledged Stock issued by an issuer that is not a subsidiary of the Borrower, correctly sets forth, to the knowledge of the New Subsidiary) the percentage of the issued and outstanding units of each class of the Equity Interests of the issuer thereof represented by the Pledged Stock and includes (i) all Equity Interests pledged hereunder and (ii) the debt obligations and promissory notes or instruments evidencing Indebtedness, in each case under this clause (ii) pledged hereunder and in an aggregate principal amount in excess of \$5,000,000 now owned by the New Subsidiary required to be pledged in order to satisfy the Collateral and Guarantee Requirement or delivered pursuant to Section 2.02(a) and 2.02(b) of the Collateral Agreement, (b) set forth on *Schedule II* attached hereto is a list of any and all Intellectual Property now owned by the New Subsidiary consisting of Patents and Trademarks applied for or registered with the United States Patent and Trademark Office and Copyrights registered with the United States Copyright Office, (c) set forth on *Schedule III* hereto is a list of all Commercial Tort Claims in excess of \$5,000,000 held by the New Subsidiary, and (d) set forth under its signature hereto is the true and correct legal name of the New Subsidiary, its jurisdiction of organization and the location of its chief executive office.

SECTION 5. Except as expressly supplemented hereby, the Collateral Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 6. THIS SUPPLEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY PRINCIPLE OF CONFLICTS OF LAW THAT COULD REQUIRE THE APPLICATION OF ANY OTHER LAW.

SECTION 7. In case any one or more of the provisions contained in this Supplement should be held invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions contained herein and in the Collateral Agreement shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby (it being understood that the invalidity of a particular provision in a particular jurisdiction shall not in and of itself affect the validity of such provision in any other jurisdiction). The parties hereto shall endeavor in good-faith negotiations to replace the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provisions with valid provisions the economic effect of which comes as close as possible to that of the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provisions.

SECTION 8. All communications and notices hereunder shall (except as otherwise expressly permitted by the Collateral Agreement) be in writing and given as provided in Section 5.01 of the Collateral Agreement.

SECTION 9. The New Subsidiary agrees to reimburse the Collateral Agent for its reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses in connection with this Supplement, including the reasonable and documented fees, other charges and disbursements of counsel for the Collateral Agent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the New Subsidiary has duly executed this Supplement to the Collateral Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

[Signature Page Follows]

BY:
Name:
Title
Address:
Legal Name: Jurisdiction of Formation:

[NAME OF NEW SUBSIDIARY]

[Signature Page to Supplement to Collateral Agreement]

# Pledged Stock; Pledged Debt

# A. Pledged Stock

Issuer	Record Owner	Certificate No.	Number and Class	Percentage of Equity Interest Owned	Percent Pledged

# **B. Pledged Debt**

Payee	Payor	Principal	Date of Issuance	Maturity Date

# **Intellectual Property**

# A. <u>U.S. Federally Issued or Applied for Patents Owned by [New Subsidiary]</u>

## U.S. Patent Registrations

Title	Patent No.	Issue Date

# U.S. Patent Applications

Title	Application No.	Filing Date

# $B.\ \underline{U.S.\ Federally\ Registered\ Copyrights\ Owned\ by\ [New\ Subsidiary]}$

# U.S. Copyright Registrations

Title	Registration No.	Registration Date

# $C.\ \underline{U.S.\ Federally\ Registered\ or\ Applied\ for\ Trademarks\ Owned\ by\ [\underline{New\ Subsidiary}]}$

# U.S. Trademark Registrations

Mark	Registration No.	Registration Date

# U.S. Trademark Applications

Mark	Application No.	Filing Date

Schedule III to Supplement No. \_\_ to the Collateral Agreement

# **Commercial Tort Claims**

### Form of Notice of Grant of Security Interest in Intellectual Property

[FORM OF] [NOTICE OF GRANT]<sup>1</sup> OF SECURITY INTEREST IN [COPYRIGHTS] [PATENTS] [TRADEMARKS], dated as of [DATE] (this "Notice"), made by [•], a [•] [•] (the "Pledgor"), in favor of Barclays Bank PLC, as Collateral Agent (as defined below).

Reference is made to the Collateral Agreement, dated as of October 1, 2019 (as amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Collateral Agreement"), among Cerence Inc. (the "Borrower"), each subsidiary of the Borrower identified therein and Barclays Bank PLC, as collateral agent (together with its successors and assigns in such capacity, the "Collateral Agent") for the Secured Parties (as defined therein). The parties hereto agree as follows:

SECTION 1. *Terms*. Capitalized terms used in this Notice and not otherwise defined herein have the meanings specified in the Collateral Agreement. The rules of construction specified in Section 1.01(b) of the Collateral Agreement also apply to this Notice.

SECTION 2. *Grant of Security Interest*. As security for the payment and performance when due, as applicable, in full of the Secured Obligations, the Pledgor pursuant to the Collateral Agreement did, and hereby does, assign and pledge to the Collateral Agent, its successors and permitted assigns, for the benefit of the Secured Parties and did, and hereby does grant to the Collateral Agent, its successors and permitted assigns, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, a security interest in all of such Pledgor's right, title and interest in or to any and all of the following assets now owned or at any time hereafter acquired by such Pledgor or in which such Pledgor now has or at any time in the future may acquire any right, title or interest (collectively, but excluding any Excluded Property, the "[Patent] [Copyright] [Trademark] Collateral"):

[all Patents of the United States of America, including those listed on Schedule I;]

[all Copyrights, including those listed on Schedule I;]

[all Trademarks, including those listed on Schedule I;]

[provided, however, that the foregoing pledge, assignment and grant of security interest will not cover any "intent-to-use" applications for trademark or service mark registrations filed pursuant to Section 1(b) of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. §1051, unless and until an Amendment to Allege Use or a Statement of Use under Section 1(c) or 1(d) of the Lanham Act has been filed, to the extent, if any, that any assignment of an "intent-to-use" application prior to such filing would violate the Lanham Act.]

Note: Only applicable for Patent and Trademarks.

SECTION 3. *Collateral Agreement*. The security interests granted to the Collateral Agent herein are granted in furtherance, and not in limitation of, the security interests granted to the Collateral Agent pursuant to the Collateral Agreement. Each Pledgor hereby acknowledges and affirms that the rights and remedies of the Collateral Agent with respect to the [Patent] [Copyright] [Trademark] Collateral are more fully set forth in the Collateral Agreement, the terms and provisions of which are hereby incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth herein. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this Notice and the Collateral Agreement, the terms of the Collateral Agreement shall govern.

SECTION 4. *Counterparts*. This Notice may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original but all of which when taken together shall constitute but one contract. Delivery of an executed counterpart to this Notice by facsimile or other electronic transmission shall be as effective as delivery of a manually signed original.

SECTION 5. *Governing Law*. THIS NOTICE AND ANY CLAIMS, CONTROVERSY, DISPUTE OR CAUSES OF ACTION (WHETHER IN CONTRACT OR TORT OR OTHERWISE) BASED UPON, ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS NOTICE AND THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES UNDER THIS NOTICE SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY PRINCIPLE OF CONFLICTS OF LAW THAT COULD REQUIRE THE APPLICATION OF ANY OTHER LAW.

[Signature Pages Follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have duly executed this Notice	e as of the day and year first above written.
	[Name of Pledgor]
	By: Name:

Title:

[Signature Page to Notice of Grant of Security Interest in [Patents][Trademarks][Copyrights]]

as Collateral Agent,
By:
Name:
Title:
By:
Name:
Title:

BARCLAYS BANK PLC,

[Signature Page to Notice of Grant of Security Interest in [Patents][Trademarks][Copyrights]]

# Patents Owned by [Name of Pledgor]

# U.S. Patent Registrations

Title	Patent No.	Issue Date

# U.S. Patent Applications

Title	Application No.	Filing Date

# Copyrights Owned by [Name of Pledgor]

# U.S. Copyright Registrations

Title	Registration No.	Registration Date

# to Notice of Grant of Security Interest in Trademarks

# <u>Trademarks Owned by [Name of Pledgor]</u>

# U.S. Trademark Registrations

Mark	Registration No.	Registration Date

# U.S. Trademark Applications

Mark	Application No.	Filing Date

#### MANAGEMENT

The following table presents information concerning our executive officers and directors following the Spin-Off.

<u>Name</u>	Age	Position Position
Sanjay Dhawan	55	Chief Executive Officer and Director
Mark Gallenberger	55	Chief Financial Officer
Stefan Ortmanns	55	Executive Vice President
Leanne Fitzgerald	54	General Counsel
Arun Sarin	64	Chairman of the Board
Thomas Beaudoin	65	Director
Marianne Budnik	50	Director
Sanjay Jha	57	Director
Kristi Ann Matus	51	Director
Alfred Nietzel	57	Director

The following are brief biographies describing the backgrounds of the executive officers and directors of the Company.

#### **Sanjay Dhawan**

Mr. Dhawan will be appointed our Chief Executive Officer on October 1, 2019. From August 2019 until such appointment, Mr. Dhawan has served in the position of Advisor to the Automotive Division of Nuance. From 2015 to 2019, Mr. Dhawan served as President of the Connected Services Division and Chief Technology Officer of Harman Industries International. Prior to joining Harman, he served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Symphony Teleca Corporation since 2010. Mr. Dhawan holds a Master's degree in Electrical Engineering from Brunel University, England, and a Bachelor of Science degree in Electronics and Communications from REC Kurukshetra, India. With more than 30 years of technology leadership and extensive experience in the automotive industry, Mr. Dhawan brings a deep understanding of AI and machine learning applications, with particular focus on developing solutions at the intersection of devices, sensors, cloud solutions and data integration, all of which we believe makes him well qualified to serve as a member of our Board.

#### Mark Gallenberger

Mr. Gallenberger will be appointed our Chief Financial Officer on October 1, 2019. From July 2019 until such appointment, Mr. Gallenberger has served in the position of Finance Executive to the Automotive Division of Nuance. Prior to joining Nuance, he served as Senior Vice President, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of Xcerra Corporation from 2014 to 2018. Mr. Gallenberger previously served as Xcerra's Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer from 2000 to 2014. Prior to joining Xcerra, Mr. Gallenberger was a Vice President with Cap Gemini, Ernst & Young's consulting practice. During his six years with Ernst & Young, Mr. Gallenberger established the Deals & Acquisitions Group, where he was involved in numerous domestic and international strategic acquisitions, joint ventures, alliances and equity investments. Prior to joining Ernst & Young, Mr. Gallenberger served in several technical and management positions within Digital Equipment Corporation's semiconductor products group. Mr. Gallenberger holds an M.B.A. degree from J.L. Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University and a B.S. in electrical engineering degree from Rochester Institute of Technology.

#### **Stefan Ortmanns**

Mr. Ortmanns will be appointed our Executive Vice President on October 1, 2019. Mr. Ortmanns joined Nuance in 2003 and has served as its Executive Vice President and General Manager of the Automotive Division

since March 2018. As GM of the Automotive Division, Mr. Ortmanns has been responsible for hybrid, conversational AI-powered solutions for the digital car and automotive related services that are used by almost all of the world's leading automotive manufacturers. He previously held other positions at Nuance including SVP of Engineering and Professional Services for the former Mobile Division. Mr. Ortmanns started working in the speech industry in 1993. Before he joined Nuance, he worked at Philips Speech Processing, Bell Labs, Lucent Technologies, and the University of Technology Aachen. He holds degrees in mechanical engineering, computer science and a Ph.D. in computer science.

#### Leanne Fitzgerald

Ms. Fitzgerald will be appointed our General Counsel and Secretary on October 1, 2019. Ms. Fitzgerald joined Nuance in 2008 and has served as its Vice President, Associate General Counsel, Corporate, Securities and Compliance and Assistant Secretary since 2018. Previously, Ms. Fitzgerald served as Vice President, Associate General Counsel and Assistant Secretary since 2014, and Associate General Counsel Intellectual Property since 2008. Prior to joining Nuance, she served in a variety of positions with increasing responsibility in the legal department at EMC Corporation from 1994 to 2008, culminating as Associate General Counsel. Ms. Fitzgerald holds a B.S. in engineering from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and a J.D. from the University of New Hampshire School of Law, the Franklin Pierce Law Center.

## **Arun Sarin**

Mr. Sarin served as Chief Executive Officer of Vodafone Group Plc from 2003 until his retirement in 2008. Mr. Sarin began his career at Pacific Telesis Group in 1984. He progressed through various management positions there and at AirTouch Communications Inc., which Pacific Telesis spun off in 1994, and was named president and chief operating officer of AirTouch in 1997. After AirTouch merged with Vodafone in 1999, he was appointed chief executive officer of Vodafone's U.S./Asia-Pacific region. He left Vodafone in 2000 to become Chief Executive Officer of InfoSpace, Inc., and from 2001 until 2003, he served as Chief Executive Officer of Accel-KKR Telecom. After his retirement in 2008, he served as a senior advisor to Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. for five years. Mr. Sarin currently serves as a director at Cisco Systems, Inc., The Charles Schwab Corporation and Accenture plc. He previously served as a director of Safeway, Inc. from 2009 to 2015 and Blackhawk Network Holdings, Inc. from 2009 to 2018. Mr. Sarin holds M.B.A. and Master of Science (Engineering) degrees from University of California-Berkeley and a B.S. from the Indian Institute of Technology in Kharagpur, India. Because of his significant global, managerial and financial experience and background in technology and telecommunications, we believe Mr. Sarin is well qualified to serve as a member of our Board.

#### **Thomas Beaudoin**

Mr. Beaudoin re-joined Nuance in 2017. He serves as the head of Nuance's Business Transformation Office and is responsible for leading efforts to align and fully leverage technologies within Nuance's key vertical markets, and drive growth while improving margins and cost structure. Prior to re-joining Nuance, Mr. Beaudoin held several executive leadership roles, including CFO of SimpliVity Corp. (now HPE SimpliVity) from 2015 to 2017; executive vice president and CFO of Nuance from 2008 to 2015; president and CFO of Polaroid Corporation; senior vice president and CFO of Parametric Technology Corporation; and a number of senior finance positions during his 24-year career at Digital Equipment Corporation then Compaq Computer Corporation now Hewlett Packard. Mr. Beaudoin holds a B.S.B.A. degree and an M.B.A. from Babson College. With more than 40 years' experience, Mr. Beaudoin has deep insight and experience in developing financial and operational leadership strategies for global enterprises, all of which we believe makes him well qualified to serve as a member of our Board.

## **Marianne Budnik**

Ms. Budnik has served as Chief Marketing at CyberArk Software Ltd. since 2017. Prior to joining CyberArk, Ms. Budnik served as Chief Marketing Officer for SimpliVity Corporation (acquired by Hewlett

Packard Enterprise) from 2014 to 2017. Her prior experience also includes serving as Chief Marketing Officer for Acme Packet, Inc. (acquired by Oracle Corporation) and Chief Marketing Officer for CA Technologies. Ms. Budnik currently serves as a director at Schibsted Media Group. Ms. Budnik holds an M.B.A. from Boston University Questrom School of Business, a bachelor's degree from Babson College and a Corporate Director Certificate from Harvard Business School. Ms. Budnick is a seasoned technology marketing executive, experienced in leading both transformational marketing initiatives at mature and growth companies, and driving market disruption with some of the fastest growing B2B start-ups in the technology and telecommunications industries, all of which we believe makes her well qualified to serve as a member of our Board.

### Sanjay Jha

Mr. Jha has served as a General Partner at Eclipse Ventures since 2019. Mr. Jha was Chief Executive Officer of GlobalFoundries Inc. the world's second-largest semiconductor foundry business from 2014 to 2018. Prior to joining GlobalFoundries, Mr. Jha was Chief Executive Officer for Motorola Mobile Devices from 2008 to 2012, a role he held until the company's acquisition by Google. Before joining Motorola, Mr. Jha was at Qualcomm for over 14 years, ending his tenure at Qualcomm as the Chief Operating Officer (2006 to 2008) and President of Qualcomm CDMA Technologies (2002 to 2008). Mr. Jha was a member of the board of directors of the Semiconductor Industry Association and also served as Chairman of the Global Semiconductor Alliance. Additionally, he is a member of the board of trustees of UC San Diego and the Salk Institute and serves of the board of several private start-ups. Mr. Jha holds a Ph.D. (2001), and D.Sc (Hon) in Electrical and Electronics Engineering from the University of Strathclyde. He was inducted into the US National Academy of Engineering in 2018. Mr. Jha has an extensive background in the semiconductor and mobility industries and significant managerial, international and technological experience, all of which we believe makes him well qualified to serve as a member of our Board.

#### Kristi Ann Matus

Ms. Matus has been an executive advisor to Thomas H. Lee Partners since 2017. From 2014 to 2016 Ms. Matus served as the Executive Vice President, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer at athenahealth, Inc. From 2012 to 2013, Ms. Matus served as Executive Vice President and Head of Governmental Services at Aetna, Inc. Prior to Aetna, she held several senior leadership roles at United Services Automobile Association, including Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer from 2008 to 2012. She began her career at Thrivent where she held various financial and operational roles for over a decade. Ms. Matus currently serves as a director at AXA Equitable Holdings, Inc. and AllianceBernstein Holding L.P. Ms. Matus holds a B.S. degree from University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh. Ms. Matus has extensive management and financial expertise as well as corporate governance and key leadership skills developed through her decades of experience, all of which we believe makes her well qualified to serve as a member of our Board.

#### **Alfred Nietzel**

Mr. Nietzel has been an independent consultant since 2017. From 2014 to 2017, Mr. Nietzel served as the Chief Financial Officer and Executive Vice President at CDK Global, Inc. Prior to CDK's spin-off, Mr. Nietzel was with Automatic Data Processing, Inc. since 2001 and served as Chief Financial Officer for the Dealer Services Division, Chief Financial Officer for the Employer Services Division and ADP's Corporate Controller. Prior to joining ADP, Mr. Nietzel served for 17 years with Proctor & Gamble Inc. in numerous financial management roles in the United States, United Kingdom, and Australia. Mr. Nietzel holds a B.S. degree from Eastern Illinois University. Mr. Nietzel led and orchestrated the financial and administrative execution of the spin-off creating CDK Global in 2014 and has extensive management, financial and corporate experience, all of which we believe makes him well qualified to serve as a member of our Board.

#### DESCRIPTION OF OUR CAPITAL STOCK

#### General

Prior to the Distribution, Nuance, as our sole stockholder, will approve and adopt our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, and our Board will approve and adopt our Amended and Restated By-Laws. The following summarizes information concerning our capital stock, including material provisions of our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, our Amended and Restated By-Laws and certain provisions of Delaware law. You are encouraged to read the forms of our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and our Amended and Restated By-Laws, which are filed as exhibits to our Registration Statement on Form 10, of which this Information Statement is a part, for greater detail with respect to these provisions.

#### **Distribution of Securities**

During the past three years, we have not sold any securities, including sales of reacquired securities, new issues, securities issued in exchange for property, services or other securities, and new securities resulting from the modification of outstanding securities that were not registered under the Securities Act.

#### **Authorized Capital Stock**

Immediately following the Spin-Off, our authorized capital stock will consist of 560,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, and 40,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share.

#### **Common Stock**

## **Shares Outstanding**

Immediately following the Spin-Off, we estimate that approximately 36,385,336 shares of our common stock will be issued and outstanding, based on 285,876,799 shares of Nuance common stock outstanding as of August 30, 2019. The actual number of shares of our common stock outstanding immediately following the Spin-Off will depend on the actual number of shares of Nuance common stock outstanding on the Record Date, and will reflect any issuance of new shares or exercise of outstanding options pursuant to Nuance's equity plans and any repurchases of Nuance shares by Nuance pursuant to its common stock repurchase program, in each case on or prior to the Record Date.

#### Dividends

Holders of shares of our common stock will be entitled to receive dividends when, as and if declared by our Board at its discretion out of funds legally available for that purpose, subject to the preferential rights of any preferred stock that may be outstanding. The timing, declaration, amount and payment of future dividends will depend on our financial condition, earnings, capital requirements and debt service obligations, as well as legal requirements, regulatory constraints, industry practice and other factors that our Board deems relevant. Additionally, the terms of the indebtedness we intend to incur in connection with the Spin-Off will limit our ability to pay cash dividends. Our Board will make all decisions regarding our payment of dividends from time to time in accordance with applicable law. See "Dividend Policy."

## **Voting Rights**

The holders of our common stock will be entitled to one vote for each share held of record on all matters submitted to a vote of the stockholders.

## Other Rights

Subject to the preferential liquidation rights of any preferred stock that may be outstanding, upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding-up, the holders of our common stock will be entitled to share ratably in our assets legally available for distribution to our stockholders.

#### **Fully Paid**

The issued and outstanding shares of our common stock are fully paid and non-assessable. Any additional shares of common stock that we may issue in the future will also be fully paid and non-assessable.

The holders of our common stock will not have preemptive rights or preferential rights to subscribe for shares of our capital stock.

#### Preferred Stock

Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation will authorize our Board to designate and issue from time to time one or more series of preferred stock without stockholder approval. Our Board may fix and determine the preferences, limitations and relative rights of each series of preferred stock. There are no present plans to issue any shares of preferred stock.

# Certain Provisions of Delaware Law, Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Amended and Restated By-Laws Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Amended and Restated By-Laws

Certain provisions in our proposed Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and our proposed Amended and Restated By-Laws summarized below may be deemed to have an anti-takeover effect and may delay, deter or prevent a tender offer or takeover attempt that a stockholder might consider to be in its best interests, including attempts that might result in a premium being paid over the market price for the shares held by stockholders. These provisions are intended to enhance the likelihood of continuity and stability in the composition of our Board and in the policies formulated by our Board and to discourage certain types of transactions that may involve an actual or threatened change of control.

- Classified Board. Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation will provide that, until the annual stockholder meeting in the year that is three years after the Spin-Off, our Board will be divided into three classes, with each class consisting, as nearly as may be possible, of one-third of the total number of directors. The directors designated as Class I directors will have terms expiring at the first annual meeting of stockholders following the Distribution, which we expect to hold in 2020. The directors designated as Class II directors will have terms expiring at the following year's annual meeting, which we expect to hold in 2021, and the directors designated as Class III directors will have terms expiring at the following year's annual meeting, which we expect to hold in 2022. Commencing with the first annual meeting following the Distribution, directors elected to succeed those directors whose terms then expire will be elected for a term of office to expire at the 2023 annual meeting. Beginning at the 2023 annual meeting, all of our directors will stand for election each year for annual terms, and our Board will therefore no longer be divided into three classes. Before our Board is declassified, it would take at least two elections of directors for any individual or group to gain control of our Board. Accordingly, while the classified board is in effect, these provisions could discourage a third party from initiating a proxy contest, making a tender offer or otherwise attempting to control us.
- Removal. Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation will provide that (i) prior to our Board being declassified as discussed
  above, our stockholders may remove directors only for cause and (ii) after our Board has been fully declassified, our stockholders may
  remove directors with or without cause. Removal will require the affirmative vote of holders of shares representing at least a majority of
  the voting power of the then-outstanding shares of all classes and series of our capital stock entitled generally to vote on the election of our
  directors.
- Blank Check Preferred Stock. Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation will authorize our Board to designate and issue, without any further vote or action by the stockholders, up to 40,000,000 shares of preferred stock from time to time in one or more series and, with respect to each

such series, to fix the number of shares constituting the series and the designation of the series, the voting powers (if any) of the shares of the series, and the preferences and relative, participating, optional and other rights, if any, and any qualifications, limitations or restrictions, of the shares of such series. The ability to issue such preferred stock could discourage potential acquisition proposals and could delay or prevent a change in control.

- *No Stockholder Action by Written Consent*. Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation will expressly exclude the right of our stockholders to act by written consent. Stockholder action must take place at an annual meeting or at a special meeting of our stockholders.
- *Special Stockholder Meetings.* Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and our Amended and Restated By-Laws will provide that a special meeting of our stockholders may only be called by our Board, the Chairman of our Board or our Chief Executive Officer, or at the request of holders of not less than 20% of the outstanding shares of the common stock of SpinCo.
- Requirements for Advance Notification of Stockholder Nominations and Proposals. Under our Amended and Restated By-Laws, stockholders of record will be able to nominate persons for election to our Board or bring other business constituting a proper matter for stockholder action only by providing proper notice to our secretary. In the case of annual meetings, proper written notice must be given, generally between 90 and 120 days prior to the first anniversary of the prior year's annual meeting as first specified in the notice of meeting (without regard to any postponements or adjournments of such meeting after such notice was first sent). In the case of special meetings, proper notice must be given no earlier than the 90th day prior to the relevant meeting and no later than the later of the 60th day prior to such meeting or the 10th day following the public announcement of the meeting. Such notice must include, among other information, certain information with respect to each stockholder nominating persons for election to the Board (including, the name and address, the number of shares directly or indirectly held by such stockholder, a description of any agreement with respect to the business to be brought before the annual meeting, a description of any derivative instruments based on or linked to the value of or return on our securities as of the date of the notice, a description of any proxy, contract or other relationship pursuant to which such stockholder has a right to vote any shares of our stock and any profit-sharing or performance-related fees that such stockholder is entitled to, based on any increase or decrease in the value of our securities, as of the date of such notice). Such notice must also include a representation that such stockholder is a holder of record of our common stock as of the date of the notice, each stockholder nominee's written consent to being named as a nominee and to serving as a director if elected, a completed questionnaire and representation that such person has not and will not give any commitment as to how such person will act or vote if elected as a director or becomes a party to any agreement with respect to any compensation, reimbursement or indemnification in connection with service as a director, and that such person will comply with all policies applicable to directors, a description of all compensation and other monetary agreements during the past three years and a representation as to whether such stockholder intends to solicit proxies.
- Cumulative Voting. The DGCL provides that stockholders are denied the right to cumulate votes in the election of directors unless the
  company's certificate of incorporation provides otherwise. Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation will not provide for
  cumulative voting.
- Amendments to Certificate of Incorporation and By-Laws. The DGCL provides that the affirmative vote of holders of a majority of a
  company's voting stock then outstanding is required to amend the company's certificate of incorporation unless the company's certificate
  of incorporation provides a higher threshold, and our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation will not provide for a higher
  threshold. Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation will provide that our Amended and Restated By-Laws may be amended
  by a majority of our Board or by the affirmative vote of holders of at least a majority of our voting stock entitled to vote in the election of
  directors.

#### **Delaware Takeover Statute**

We are subject to Section 203 of the DGCL, which, subject to certain exceptions, prohibits a Delaware corporation from engaging in any business combination with any interested stockholder for a period of three years following the date that such stockholder became an interested stockholder.

## Limitation on Liability of Directors and Indemnification of Directors and Officers

Delaware law authorizes corporations to limit or eliminate the personal liability of directors to corporations and their stockholders for monetary damages for breaches of directors' fiduciary duties as directors, and our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation will include such an exculpation provision. Our Amended and Restated By-Laws and Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation will include provisions that indemnify, to the fullest extent allowable under the DGCL, the personal liability of directors or officers for monetary damages for actions taken as a director, officer or agent of SpinCo, or for serving at SpinCo's request as a director, officer or agent at another corporation or enterprise, as the case may be. Our Amended and Restated By-Laws and Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation will also provide that we must indemnify and advance reasonable expenses to our directors and officers, subject to our receipt of an undertaking from the indemnified party as may be required under the DGCL. Our Amended and Restated By-Laws will expressly authorize us to carry directors' and officers' insurance to protect SpinCo, its directors, officers and employees for some liabilities.

The limitation of liability and indemnification provisions that will be included in our Amended and Restated By-Laws and Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation may discourage stockholders from bringing a lawsuit against directors for breach of their fiduciary duty. These provisions may also have the effect of reducing the likelihood of derivative litigation against our directors and officers, even though such an action, if successful, might otherwise benefit us and our stockholders. However, these provisions will not limit or eliminate our rights, or those of any stockholder, to seek non-monetary relief such as injunction or rescission in the event of a breach of a director's duty of care. The provisions will not alter the liability of directors under the federal securities laws. In addition, your investment may be adversely affected to the extent that, in a class action or direct suit, we pay the costs of settlement and damage awards against directors and officers pursuant to these indemnification provisions. There is currently no pending material litigation or proceeding against any of our directors, officers or employees for which indemnification is sought.

## **Exclusive Forum**

Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation will provide, in all cases to the fullest extent permitted by law, that unless we consent in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the Court of Chancery located within the State of Delaware will be the sole and exclusive forum for any derivative action or proceeding brought on behalf of SpinCo, any action asserting a claim of breach of a fiduciary duty owed by any director, officer or other employee or stockholder of SpinCo to SpinCo or SpinCo's stockholders, any action asserting a claim arising pursuant to the DGCL or as to which the DGCL confers jurisdiction on the Court of Chancery located in the State of Delaware, any action asserting a claim governed by the internal affairs doctrine or any other action asserting an "internal corporate claim" as that term is defined in Section 115 of the DGCL. However, if the Court of Chancery within the State of Delaware does not have jurisdiction, the action may be brought in any other state or federal court located within the State of Delaware. Further, this exclusive forum provision would not apply to suits brought to enforce a duty or liability created by the Exchange Act or the Securities Act, except that it may apply to such suits if brought derivatively on behalf of SpinCo. There is, however, uncertainty as to whether a court would enforce such provision in connection with suits to enforce a duty or liability created by the Exchange Act or the Securities Act if brought derivatively on behalf of SpinCo, and our stockholders will not be deemed to have waived our compliance with the federal securities laws and the rules and regulations thereunder.

## **Transfer Agent and Registrar**

The transfer agent and registrar for our common stock will be American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC.

## Listing

We have been approved to list our common stock on the Nasdaq Global Select Market, under the ticker symbol "CRNC."



Press Release

October 1, 2019

# Cerence Completes Spin-Off from Nuance, Debuts as Independent, Public Company

Regular-way trading on the Nasdaq Global Select Market begins tomorrow under CRNC ticker symbol

**BURLINGTON**, Mass., Oct. 1, 2019 – Cerence Inc. (NASDAQ: CRNC) ("Cerence"), AI for a world in motion, announced that tomorrow, October 2, 2019, marks its first day as an independent company following its successful, tax-free spin-off from Nuance Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: NUAN) ("Nuance") as of 5:00 p.m. ET today, October 1, 2019.

Cerence has approximately 1,300 employees, including approximately 100 in sales and marketing, approximately 450 in professional services, and approximately 700 in research and development.

Cerence delivers immersive experiences that make people feel happier, safer, more informed, and more entertained in their cars. Bringing together voice, touch, gesture, emotion, and gaze innovations, it creates deeper connections between drivers, their cars and the digital world around them. Cerence currently powers A.I. in more than 280 million cars on the road globally across more than 70 languages and for nearly every major automaker in the world, including Audi, BMW, Daimler, Ford, Geely, GM, SAIC, Toyota, and many more.

For more information, visit www.cerence.com.

#### **Safe Harbor and Forward-Looking Statements**

Statements in this release regarding future performance and our management's future expectations, beliefs, goals, plans or prospects constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Any statements that are not statements of historical fact (including statements containing the words "believes," "plans," "anticipates," "expects," "intends" or "estimates" or similar expressions) should also be considered to be forward-looking statements. There are a number of important factors that could cause actual results or events to differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements, including but not limited to: the highly competitive and rapidly changing market in which we operate; adverse conditions in the automotive industry or the global economy more generally; our strategy to increase cloud services and fluctuations in our operating results; escalating pricing pressures from our customers; our failure to win, renew or implement service contracts; the loss of business from any of our largest customers; our ability

to control and successfully manage our expenses and cash position; transition difficulties for us with our first senior management team; the inability to recruit and retain qualified personnel; cybersecurity and data privacy incidents; economic, political, regulatory, foreign exchange and other risks of international operations; the failure to protect our intellectual property or allegations that we have infringed the intellectual property of others; defects in our software products; our inability to quickly respond to changes in technology and to develop our intellectual property into commercially viable products; a significant interruption in the supply or maintenance of our third-party hardware, software, services or data; our significant indebtedness; and the other factors described in our Registration Statement on Form 10 and other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. We disclaim any obligation to update any forward-looking statements as a result of developments occurring after the date of this release.

#### **About Cerence Inc.**

Cerence (NASDAQ: CRNC) is the global industry leader in creating unique, moving experiences for the automotive world. Our expertise is sophisticated A.I., natural language understanding, voice biometrics, gesture and gaze technology and augmented reality. As innovation partners to the world's leading automakers, we're helping transform how a car feels, responds and learns. This track record is built on 20 years of knowledge and almost 300 million cars. Whether it's connected cars, autonomous driving or e-vehicles, we're mapping the road ahead. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.cerence.com">www.cerence.com</a>.

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