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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: June 18, 2025
(Date of earliest event reported)

RING ENERGY, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-36057
(Commission File Number)

90-0406406
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1725 Hughes Landing Blvd., Suite 900
The Woodlands, TX 77380
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(281) 397-3699
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable.
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	REI	NYSE American

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

Emerging growth company ☐

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

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On June 18, 2025, Ring Energy, Inc. (the “Company”) as borrower, Bank of America, N. A. as the Administrative Agent and Issuing Bank (“Bank of America”), and the lenders party thereto (the “Lenders”) entered into the Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the “Credit Agreement”) which amended and restated that certain Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of August 31, 2022, by and among the Company, Truist Bank, as administrative agent, and the lenders party thereto, as amended by that certain First Amendment to Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of February 12, 2024 (the “Existing Credit Agreement”). All of the obligations under the Credit Agreement, and the guarantees of those obligations, are secured by substantially all of the Company’s assets. Among other things, the Credit Agreement changes the administrative agent from Truist Bank to Bank of America; reduces the borrowing base and aggregate elected commitment from \$600 million to \$585 million; extends the maturity date of the Credit Agreement from August 31, 2026 to June 18, 2029; reduces the applicable margin pricing grid by 25 basis points; and makes certain administrative changes to the Existing Credit Agreement.

The foregoing description of the Credit Agreement is qualified in its entirety by the terms of the Credit Agreement, a copy of which is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 10.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

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

The information included in Item 1.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is incorporated into this Item 2.03 by reference.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On June 18, 2025, the Company issued a press release announcing the Credit Agreement. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated into this Item 7.01 by reference.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K furnished pursuant to Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be “filed” for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to liability under that section, and they shall not be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing. By filing this Current Report on Form 8-K and furnishing this information pursuant to Item 7.01, the Company makes no admission as to the materiality of any information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, that is required to be disclosed solely by Regulation FD.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibits are included with this Current Report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit No.	Description
10.1	Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated June 18, 2025, by and among Ring Energy, Inc., Bank of America, N.A., and the Lenders from time to time party thereto.
99.1	Press Release dated June 18, 2025.
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

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.

RING ENERGY, INC.

Date: June 23, 2025

By: /s/ Travis T. Thomas
Travis T. Thomas
Chief Financial Officer

THIRD AMENDED AND RESTATED CREDIT AGREEMENT

dated as of June 18, 2025

among

RING ENERGY, INC.,
as Borrower

THE LENDERS FROM TIME TO TIME PARTY HERETO

and

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.,
as Administrative Agent and Issuing Bank

BOFA SECURITIES, INC.,
CITIBANK, N.A.,
CITIZENS BANK, N.A.,
KEYBANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
MIZUHO BANK, LTD.,
TRUIST SECURITIES, INC. AND
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
as Joint Lead Arrangers and Joint Bookrunners

CITIBANK, N.A.,
CITIZENS BANK, N.A.,
KEYBANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
MIZUHO BANK, LTD.,
TRUIST BANK AND
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
as Co-Syndication Agents

and

CATHAY BANK,
FIRST HORIZON BANK AND
ZIONS BANCORPORATION, N.A. DBA AMEGY BANK,
as Co-Documentation Agents

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THIRD AMENDED AND RESTATED CREDIT AGREEMENT

THIS THIRD AMENDED AND RESTATED CREDIT AGREEMENT (this “Agreement”) is made and entered into as of June 18, 2025, by and among RING ENERGY, INC., a Nevada corporation (the “Borrower”), the several banks and other financial institutions and lenders from time to time party hereto (the “Lenders”), and BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., in its capacity as administrative agent for the Lenders (the “Administrative Agent”) and as issuing bank (the “Issuing Bank”).

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, the Borrower is a party to that certain Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of August 31, 2022, among the Borrower, the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the lenders party thereto on the date hereof (the “Existing Lenders”), as amended by that certain First Amendment to Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of February 12, 2024 (as further amended, modified or restated from time to time prior to the occurrence of the Closing Date, the “Existing Credit Agreement”);

WHEREAS, to secure the full and punctual payment and performance of the loans and other obligations under the Existing Credit Agreement, the Borrower executed and delivered mortgages, collateral assignments, security agreements, financing statements and supplements thereto (collectively, the “Existing Collateral Documents”), granting a mortgage lien and continuing security interest in and to the collateral described in such Existing Collateral Documents;

WHEREAS, the Borrower, certain of the Existing Lenders, the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank desire to amend and restate (but not extinguish) the Existing Credit Agreement in its entirety as hereinafter set forth herein and refinance the Loans (as defined in the Existing Credit Agreement) currently outstanding under the Existing Credit Agreement; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the parties hereto that this Agreement is an amendment and restatement of the Existing Credit Agreement, and is not a new or substitute credit agreement or novation of the Existing Credit Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the mutual covenants herein contained, the Borrower, the Lenders, the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank do hereby (a) agree that the Existing Credit Agreement is amended and restated (but not substituted or extinguished) in its entirety as set forth herein and (b) agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS; CONSTRUCTION

Section 1.1. Definitions. In addition to the other terms defined herein, the following terms used herein shall have the meanings herein specified (to be equally applicable to both the singular and plural forms of the terms defined):

“Acquisition” shall mean (a) any Investment by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries in any other Person organized in the United States (with substantially all of the assets of such Person and its Subsidiaries located in the United States), pursuant to which such Person shall become a Subsidiary of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries or shall be merged with the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries or (b) any acquisition by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries of the assets of any Person (other than a Subsidiary of the Borrower) that constitute all or substantially all of the assets of such Person or a division or business unit of such Person, whether through purchase, merger or other business combination or transaction (and

substantially all of such assets, division or business unit are located in the United States). With respect to a determination of the amount of an Acquisition, such amount shall include all consideration (including any deferred payments) set forth in the applicable agreements governing such Acquisition as well as the assumption of any Indebtedness in connection therewith.

“Additional Lender” has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.7(d)(i).

“Additional Lender Certificate” has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.7(d)(ii)(E).

“Administrative Agent” shall have the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph hereof.

“Administrative Questionnaire” shall mean, with respect to each Lender, an administrative questionnaire in the form provided by the Administrative Agent and submitted to the Administrative Agent duly completed by such Lender.

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

“Affiliate” shall mean, as to any Person, any other Person that directly, or indirectly through one (1) or more intermediaries, Controls, is Controlled by, or is under common Control with, such Person. For the purposes of this definition, “Control” shall mean the power, directly or indirectly, either to (a) vote twenty percent (20%) or more of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors (or persons performing similar functions) of a Person or (b) direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through the ability to exercise voting power, by control or otherwise. The terms “Controlled by” and “under common Control with” have the meanings correlative thereto.

“Aggregate Commitment Amount” shall mean the aggregate principal amount of the Aggregate Commitments from time to time.

“Aggregate Commitments” shall mean, collectively, all Commitments of all Lenders at any time outstanding.

“Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount” at any time shall equal the sum of the Elected Commitments, as the same may be increased, reduced or terminated pursuant to Section 2.7(d). As of the date hereof, the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount is \$585,000,000.

“Aggregate Maximum Loan Amount” shall mean \$1,000,000,000.00. On the Closing Date, the Aggregate Maximum Loan Amount is as set forth on Schedule II.

“Anti-Corruption Laws” shall mean all laws, rules and regulations of any jurisdiction applicable to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries concerning or relating to bribery or corruption.

“Anti-Terrorism Order” shall mean Executive Order 13224, signed by President George W. Bush on September 24, 2001.

“Applicable Lending Office” shall mean, for each Lender and for each Type of Loan, the “Lending Office” of such Lender (or an Affiliate of such Lender) designated for such Type of Loan in the Administrative Questionnaire submitted by such Lender or such other office of such Lender (or such Affiliate of such Lender) as such Lender may from time to time specify to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower as the office by which its Loans of such Type are to be made and maintained.

“Applicable Margin” shall mean, as of any date, with respect to interest on all Loans outstanding on such date or the letter of credit fee, as the case may be, the percentage *per annum* set forth in the

Borrowing Base utilization grid, based upon the Borrowing Base Utilization Percentage then in effect, provided on Schedule I.

Each change in the Applicable Margin shall apply during the period commencing on the effective date of such change and ending on the date immediately preceding the effective date of the next such change; *provided* that if at any time the Borrower fails to deliver a Reserve Report pursuant to Section 5.13(a), then the “Applicable Margin” shall mean the rate *per annum* set forth on the grid when the Borrowing Base Utilization Percentage is at its highest level.

“Applicable Percentage” shall mean, as of any date, with respect to the unused commitment fee as of any date, the percentage *per annum* set forth in the Borrowing Base utilization grid, based upon the Borrowing Base Utilization Percentage then in effect, provided on Schedule I.

Each change in the Applicable Percentage shall apply during the period commencing on the effective date of such change and ending on the date immediately preceding the effective date of the next such change; *provided* that if at any time the Borrower fails to deliver a Reserve Report pursuant to Section 5.13(a), then the “Applicable Percentage” shall mean the rate *per annum* set forth on the grid when the Borrowing Base Utilization Percentage is at its highest level.

“Approved Fund” shall mean any Person (other than a natural Person) that is (or will be) engaged in making, purchasing, holding or otherwise investing in commercial loans and similar extensions of credit in the ordinary course of its activities 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.

“Approved Petroleum Engineers” shall mean (a) Cawley, Gillespie & Associates, Inc. and (b) any other independent petroleum engineers reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent.

“Assignment and Acceptance” shall mean an assignment and acceptance entered into by a Lender and an assignee (with the consent of any party whose consent is required by Section 10.4(b)) and accepted by the Administrative Agent, in the form of Exhibit A attached hereto or any other form approved by the Administrative Agent.

“Availability Period” shall mean the period from the Closing Date to but excluding the Commitment Termination Date.

“Available Free Cash Flow” shall mean, as of any date on which Borrower makes any Restricted Payment pursuant to Section 7.5(d), the aggregate amount equal to: (a) Free Cash Flow for the four (4) Fiscal Quarter period (the “Test Period”) ending on the last day of the Fiscal Quarter immediately preceding such date of determination for which financial statements pursuant to Section 5.1(a) or Section 5.1(b), as applicable, and an accompanying Compliance Certificate pursuant to Section 5.1(c) have been delivered *minus* (b) the aggregate amount of all Restricted Payments previously made during such Test Period pursuant to Section 7.5(d).

“Bail-In Action” shall mean the exercise of any Write-Down and Conversion Powers by the applicable Resolution Authority in respect of any liability of an Affected Financial Institution.

“Bail-In Legislation” shall mean (a) with respect to any EEA Member Country implementing Article 55 of Directive 2014/59/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of the European Union, the implementing law, rule, regulation or requirement for such EEA Member Country from time to time which is described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule, and (b) with respect to the United Kingdom, Part I of the United Kingdom Banking Act 2009 (as amended from time to time) and any other law, regulation or rule applicable in the United Kingdom relating to the resolution of unsound or failing banks,

investment firms or other financial institutions or their affiliates (other than through liquidation, administration or other insolvency proceedings).

“Bank of America” means Bank of America, N.A. and its successors.

“Bank Product Obligations” shall mean, collectively, all obligations and other liabilities of any Loan Party to any Bank Product Provider arising with respect to any Bank Products.

“Bank Product Provider” shall mean any Person that, at the time it provides any Bank Product to any Loan Party, (i) is a Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender and (ii) except when the Bank Product Provider is Bank of America, N.A., and its Affiliates, has provided prior written notice to the Administrative Agent which has been acknowledged by the Borrower of (x) the existence of such Bank Product, (y) the maximum dollar amount of obligations arising thereunder (the “Bank Product Amount”) and (z) the methodology to be used by such parties in determining the obligations under such Bank Product from time to time. In no event shall any Bank Product Provider acting in such capacity be deemed a Lender for purposes hereof to the extent of and as to Bank Products except that each reference to the term “Lender” in Article IX and Section 10.3(b) shall be deemed to include such Bank Product Provider and in no event shall the approval of any such person in its capacity as Bank Product Provider be required in connection with the release or termination of any security interest or Lien of the Administrative Agent. The Bank Product Amount may be changed from time to time upon written notice to the Administrative Agent by the applicable Bank Product Provider. No Bank Product Amount may be established at any time that a Default or Event of Default exists.

“Bank Products” shall mean any of the following services provided to any Loan Party by any Bank Product Provider: (a) any treasury or other cash management services, including deposit accounts, automated clearing house (ACH) origination and other funds transfer, depository (including cash vault and check deposit), zero balance accounts and sweeps, return items processing, controlled disbursement accounts, positive pay, lockboxes and lockbox accounts, account reconciliation and information reporting, payables outsourcing, payroll processing, trade finance services, investment accounts and securities accounts, and (b) card services, including credit cards (including purchasing cards and commercial cards), prepaid cards, including payroll, stored value and gift cards, merchant services processing, and debit card services.

“Base Date” shall mean (a) prior to the first (1st) Scheduled Redetermination that occurs under this Agreement, the Closing Date and (b) on or after the occurrence of such first (1st) Scheduled Redetermination, the date of the most recent Scheduled Redetermination of the Borrowing Base.

“Base Rate” means for any day a fluctuating rate per annum equal to the highest of (a) the Federal Funds Rate *plus* one-half of one percent (0.50%), (b) the rate of interest in effect for such day as publicly announced from time to time by Bank of America as its “prime rate”, (c) Term SOFR *plus* 1.00% and (d) 1.00%. The “prime rate” is a rate set by Bank of America based upon various factors including Bank of America’s costs and desired return, general economic conditions and other factors, and is used as a reference point for pricing some loans, which may be priced at, above, or below such announced rate. Any change in such prime rate announced by Bank of America shall take effect at the opening of business on the day specified in the public announcement of such change. If the Base Rate is being used as an alternate rate of interest pursuant to Section 2.15, then the Base Rate shall be the greater of clauses (a), (b) and (d) above and shall be determined without reference to clause (c) above.

“Beneficial Ownership Certification” shall mean a certification regarding beneficial ownership as 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”.

“BHC Act Affiliate” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.19(b).

“Borrower” shall have the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph hereof.

“Borrowing” shall mean a borrowing consisting of Loans of the same Type made, converted or continued on the same date and, in the case of Term SOFR Loans, as to which a single Interest Period is in effect.

“Borrowing Base” shall mean at any time an amount equal to the amount determined in accordance with Section 2.4, as the same may be adjusted from time to time pursuant to this Agreement.

“Borrowing Base Deficiency” occurs if at any time the total Credit Exposures exceeds the Borrowing Base then in effect.

“Borrowing Base Utilization Percentage” shall mean, as of any day, the fraction expressed as a percentage, the numerator of which is the sum of the Credit Exposures of the Lenders on such day, and the denominator of which is the Borrowing Base in effect on such day.

“Business Day” shall mean any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banks are authorized to close under the Laws of the State of New York or are in fact closed in the State of New York.

“Capital Lease Obligations” of any Person shall mean all obligations of such Person to pay rent or other amounts under Capital Leases, and the amount of such obligations shall be the capitalized amount thereof determined in accordance with GAAP.

“Capital Leases” shall mean, in respect of any Person, all leases which shall have been, or should have been, in accordance with GAAP, recorded as capital leases on the balance sheet of the Person liable (whether contingent or otherwise) for the payment of rent thereunder.

“Capital Stock” shall mean all shares, options, warrants, general or limited partnership interests, membership interests or other equivalents (regardless of how designated) of or in a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or equivalent entity whether voting or nonvoting, including common stock, preferred stock or any other “equity security” (as such term is defined in Rule 3a11-1 of the General Rules and Regulations promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Exchange Act).

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

“Cash Equivalents” shall mean subsections (a) through (e) of the defined term “Permitted Investments”.

“Change in Control” shall mean the occurrence of one (1) or more of the following events: (i) any sale, lease, exchange or other transfer (in a single transaction or a series of related transactions) of all or substantially all of the assets of the Borrower to any Person or “group” (within the meaning of the Exchange Act and the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission thereunder in effect on the date hereof), (ii) the acquisition of ownership, directly or indirectly, beneficially or of record, by any Person or “group” (within the meaning of the Exchange Act and the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission thereunder as in effect on the date hereof) of fifty percent (50%) or more of the outstanding shares of the voting equity interests of the Borrower, or (iii) during any period of twenty-four (24) consecutive months, a majority of the members of the board of directors or other equivalent governing body of the Borrower cease to be composed of individuals who are Continuing Directors.

“Change in Law” shall mean the occurrence, after the date of this Agreement, of any of the following: (i) the adoption or taking effect of any law, rule, regulation or treaty, (ii) any change in any law, rule, regulation or treaty, or in the administration, interpretation, implementation or application thereof by any Governmental Authority, or (iii) the making or issuance of any request, rule, guideline or directive (whether or not having the force of law) of any Governmental Authority; *provided* that notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, (x) the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and all requests, rules, guidelines or directives in connection therewith and (y) all requests, rules, guidelines or directives promulgated by the Bank for International Settlements, the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (or any successor or similar authority) or the United States or foreign regulatory authorities, in each case pursuant to Basel III, shall in each case be deemed to be a “Change in Law”, regardless of the date enacted, adopted or issued.

“Closing Date” shall mean the date on which the conditions precedent set forth in Section 3.1 and Section 3.2 have been satisfied or waived in accordance with Section 10.2.

“CME” means CME Group Benchmark Administration Limited.

“Code” shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and in effect from time to time.

“Collateral” shall mean all tangible and intangible property, real and personal, of any Loan Party that is or purports to be the subject of a Lien to the Administrative Agent to secure the whole or any part of the Obligations or any Guarantee thereof, and shall include, without limitation, all casualty insurance proceeds and condemnation awards with respect to any of the foregoing.

“Collateral Documents” shall mean, collectively, the Guaranty and Security Agreement, the Mortgages, the Transfer Letters, the Control Account Agreements, and all other instruments and agreements now or hereafter securing or perfecting the Liens securing the whole or any part of the Obligations or any Guarantee thereof, all UCC financing statements, fixture filings and stock powers, and all other documents, instruments, agreements and certificates executed and delivered by any Loan Party in connection with any of the foregoing, as any of the foregoing may be amended, modified, supplemented, restated or reaffirmed (including reaffirmations of the Existing Collateral Document) from time to time.

“Commitment” shall mean, with respect to each Lender, the commitment of such Lender to make Loans and to acquire participations in Letters of Credit hereunder, expressed as an amount representing the maximum aggregate amount of such Lender’s Credit Exposure hereunder. The amount representing each Lender’s Commitment shall at any time be the least of (a) such Lender’s Maximum Loan Amount, (b) such Lender’s Pro Rata Share of the then effective Borrowing Base and (c) such Lender’s Elected Commitment.

“Commitment Termination Date” shall mean the earliest of (i) June 18, 2029, (ii) the date on which the Commitments are terminated pursuant to Section 2.7 or Section 8.1 and (iii) the date on which the

principal amount of all Loans outstanding under this Agreement have been declared or have automatically become due and payable (whether by acceleration or otherwise).

“Commodity Exchange Act” shall mean the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. § 1 *et seq.*), as amended and in effect from time to time, and any successor statute.

“Communications” shall mean, collectively, any notice, demand, communication, information, document or other material provided by or on behalf of any Loan Party pursuant to any Loan Document or the transactions contemplated therein which is distributed by the Administrative Agent, any Lender or Issuing Bank by means of electronic communications pursuant to any Platform.

“Compliance Certificate” shall mean a certificate from the principal executive officer or the principal financial officer of the Borrower in the form of, and containing the certifications set forth in, the certificate attached hereto as Exhibit 5.1(c).

“Conforming Changes” shall mean, with respect to the use, administration of or any conventions associated with SOFR or any proposed Successor Rate or Term SOFR, as applicable, any conforming changes to the definitions of “Base Rate”, “SOFR”, “Term SOFR” and “Interest Period”, timing and frequency of determining rates and making payments of interest and other technical, administrative or operational matters (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the definitions of “Business Day” and “U.S. Government Securities Business Day”, timing of borrowing requests or prepayment, conversion or continuation notices and length of lookback periods) as may be appropriate, in the discretion of the Administrative Agent, to reflect the adoption and implementation of such applicable rate(s) and to permit the administration thereof by the Administrative Agent in a manner substantially consistent with market practice (or, if the Administrative Agent determines that adoption of any portion of such market practice is not administratively feasible or that no market practice for the administration of such rate exists, in such other manner of administration as the Administrative Agent determines is reasonably necessary in connection with the administration of this Agreement and any other Loan Document).

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

“Consolidated Cash Balance” shall mean, at any time, the aggregate amount of cash and Cash Equivalents of the Loan Parties (determined in accordance with GAAP) *minus* the amount of cash for which the Loan Parties (i) have issued checks or initiated wires or ACH transfers in order to utilize such cash or (ii) will, within ten (10) Business Days issue checks or initiate wires or ACH transfers in order to utilize such cash.

“Consolidated Cash Balance Limit” shall mean \$50,000,000.

“Consolidated EBITDAX” shall mean, for the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for any period, an amount equal to the sum of (i) Consolidated Net Income for such period *plus* (ii) to the extent deducted in determining Consolidated Net Income for such period, and without duplication, (A) Consolidated Interest Expense, (B) income tax expense determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP, (C) depreciation, depletion and amortization determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP, (D) exploration expenses determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP, and (E) all other non-cash charges reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP, in each case for such period *minus* (iii) all noncash income added to Consolidated Net Income for such period; *provided* that, for purposes of calculating compliance with the financial covenants set forth in Article VI, to the extent that during such period any Loan Party shall have consummated an Acquisition permitted by this Agreement or any sale, transfer or other disposition of any Person, business, property or assets permitted by this Agreement, Consolidated EBITDAX shall be

calculated on a Pro Forma Basis with respect to such Person, business, property or assets so acquired or disposed of.

“Consolidated Interest Expense” shall mean, for the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for any period, determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP, the sum of (i) total interest expense, including, without limitation, the interest component of any payments in respect of Capital Lease Obligations, capitalized or expensed during such period (whether or not actually paid during such period) *plus* (ii) the net amount payable (or *minus* the net amount receivable) with respect to interest rate Hedging Transactions during such period (whether or not actually paid or received during such period).

“Consolidated Net Income” shall mean, for the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for any period, the net income (or loss) of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for such period determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP, but excluding therefrom (to the extent otherwise included therein) (i) any extraordinary gains or losses, (ii) any gains attributable to write-ups of assets or the sale of assets (other than the sale of inventory in the ordinary course of business), (iii) any equity interest of the Borrower or any Subsidiary of the Borrower in the unremitted earnings of any Person that is not a Subsidiary except to the extent of cash dividends actually received and (iv) any income (or loss) of any Person accrued prior to the date it becomes a Subsidiary or is merged into or consolidated with the Borrower or any Subsidiary or the date that such Person’s assets are acquired by the Borrower or any Subsidiary.

“Consolidated Total Debt” shall mean, as of any date, all Indebtedness of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries measured on a consolidated basis as of such date, but excluding Indebtedness of the type described in subsection (xi) of the definition thereto.

“Continuing Director” shall mean, with respect to any period, any individuals (a) who were members of the board of directors or other equivalent governing body of the Borrower on the first (1st) day of such period, (b) whose election or nomination to that board or equivalent governing body was approved by individuals referred to in clause (a) above constituting at the time of such election or nomination at least a majority of that board or equivalent governing body, or (c) whose election or nomination to that board or other equivalent governing body was approved by individuals referred to in clauses (a) and (b) above constituting at the time of such election or nomination at least a majority of that board or equivalent governing body.

“Contractual Obligation” of any Person shall mean any provision of any security issued by such Person or of any agreement, instrument or undertaking under which such Person is obligated or by which it or any of the property in which it has an interest is bound.

“Control Account Agreement” shall mean any tri-party agreement by and among a Loan Party, the Administrative Agent and a depositary bank or securities intermediary at which such Loan Party maintains a Controlled Account, in each case in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

“Controlled Account” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.11(a).

“Covered Entity” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.19(b).

“Credit Exposure” shall mean, with respect to any Lender at any time, the sum of the outstanding principal amount of such Lender’s Loans and LC Exposure.

“Current Assets” shall mean all current assets of the Borrower and its consolidated Subsidiaries as of any date of determination calculated in accordance with GAAP, and in any event including the unused amount of the Aggregate Commitments (but only to the extent that the Borrower is permitted to borrow such amounts under the terms of this Agreement, including, without limitation, Section 3.2 hereof), but

excluding cash, cash equivalents and debts due from Affiliates and non-cash assets under Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) 815.

“Current Liabilities” shall mean all liabilities of the Borrower and its consolidated Subsidiaries that should, in accordance with GAAP, be classified as current liabilities as of any date of determination, and in any event including all Indebtedness payable on demand or within one (1) year from such date of determination without any option on the part of the obligor to extend or renew beyond such year and all accruals for federal or other taxes based on or measured by income and payable within such year, but excluding the current portion of long-term debt required to be paid within one (1) year, the aggregate outstanding principal balance of the Loans and non-cash obligations under ASC 815.

“Daily Simple SOFR” with respect to any applicable determination date means the SOFR published on such date on the Federal Reserve Bank of New York’s website (or any successor source).

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

“Default” shall mean any condition or event that, with the giving of notice or the lapse of time or both, would constitute an Event of Default.

“Default Interest” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.12(b).

“Default Right” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.19(b).

“Defaulting Lender” shall mean, subject to Section 2.24(c), any Lender that (a) has failed to (i) fund all or any portion of its Loans within two (2) Business Days of the date such Loans were required to be funded hereunder unless such Lender notifies the Administrative Agent and the Borrower in writing that such failure is the result of such Lender’s determination that one (1) or more conditions precedent to funding (each of which conditions precedent, together with any applicable default, shall be specifically identified in such writing) has not been satisfied, or (ii) pay to the Administrative Agent, any 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 (2) Business Days of the date when due, (b) has notified the Borrower, the Administrative Agent or any Issuing Bank in writing that it does not intend to comply with its funding obligations hereunder, or has made a public statement to that effect (unless such writing or public statement relates to such Lender’s obligation to fund a Loan hereunder and states that such position is based on such Lender’s determination that a condition precedent to funding (which condition precedent, together with any applicable default, shall be specifically identified in such writing or public statement) cannot be satisfied), (c) has failed, within three (3) Business Days after written request by the Administrative Agent, the Borrower or, to the extent an Issuing Bank has LC Exposure at such time, an Issuing Bank, to confirm in writing to the Administrative Agent, such Issuing Bank 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, such Issuing Bank or 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 or a Bail-In Action, or (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; *provided* that a Lender shall not be a Defaulting Lender solely by virtue of the ownership or acquisition of any equity interest in that Lender or any direct or indirect parent company thereof by a Governmental Authority so long as such ownership interest does not result in or provide such Lender with immunity from the

jurisdiction of courts within the United States or from the enforcement of judgments or writs of attachment on its assets or permit such Lender (or such Governmental Authority) to reject, repudiate, disavow or disaffirm any contracts or agreements made with such Lender. Any determination by the Administrative Agent that a Lender is a Defaulting Lender under 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 2.24(b)) upon delivery of written notice of such determination to the Borrower, each Issuing Bank and each Lender.

“Defensible Title” shall mean as to any Oil and Gas Property, such title held by a Loan Party that (i) is deducible of record from the records of the applicable parish or county, or, in the case of federal leases, from the records of the applicable office of the Bureau of Lands Management or Minerals Management Service, or, in the case of state leases, from the applicable records of the applicable state land office; (ii) entitles such Loan Party to receive not less than the “Net Revenue Interest” set forth in the Initial Reserve Report with respect to each Oil and Gas Property owned by such Loan Party as of the date of this Agreement, and not less than the “Net Revenue Interest” set forth in the most recent Reserve Report with respect to each Oil and Gas Property acquired by such Loan Party after the date of this Agreement; (iii) obligates such Loan Party to bear costs and expenses relating to operations on and the maintenance and development of each Oil and Gas Property in an amount not greater than the “Working Interest” set forth in the Initial Reserve Report with respect to each Oil and Gas Property owned by such Loan Party as of the date of this Agreement, and not greater than the “Working Interest” set forth in the most recent Reserve Report with respect to each Oil and Gas Property acquired by such Loan Party after the date of this Agreement (except to the extent that such Loan Party is obligated under an operating agreement to assume a portion of a defaulting or non-consenting party’s share of costs), in each case without increase for the respective productive life of such Oil and Gas Property; and (iv) is free and clear of Liens and material encumbrances and defects, except for Excepted Liens.

“Deferred Payment” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1(i).

“Disqualified Capital Stock” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1.

“Dollar(s)” and the sign “\$” shall mean lawful money of the United States.

“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.

“Elected Commitment” means, as to each Lender, the amount set forth opposite such Lender’s name on Schedule II under the caption “Elected Commitment”, as the same may be increased, reduced or terminated from time to time in connection with an increase, reduction or termination of the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount pursuant to Section 2.7.

“Elected Commitment Increase Certificate” has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.7(d)(ii)(D).

“Electronic Copy” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.20.

“Electronic Record” and “Electronic Signature” shall have the meanings assigned to them, respectively, by 15 USC §7006, as it may be amended from time to time.

“Eligible Assignee” means any Person that meets the requirements to be an assignee under Section 10.4(b)(iii), Section 10.4(b)(v) and Section 10.4(b)(vi) (subject to such consents, if any, as may be required under Section 10.4(b)(iii)).

“Engineering Reports” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.4(c)(i).

“Environmental Laws” shall mean all laws, rules, regulations, codes, ordinances, orders, decrees, judgments, injunctions, notices or binding agreements issued, promulgated or entered into by or with any Governmental Authority relating in any way to the environment, preservation or reclamation of natural resources, the management, Release or threatened Release of any Hazardous Material or to health and safety matters, including, without limitation, the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, the Clean Air Act, the Comprehensive Environmental, Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (“CERCLA”), the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 (“RCRA”), the Safe Drinking Water Act, the Toxic Substances Control Act, the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986, and the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act.

“Environmental Liability” shall mean any liability, contingent or otherwise (including any liability for damages, costs of environmental investigation and remediation, costs of administrative oversight, fines, natural resource damages, penalties or indemnities), of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries directly or indirectly resulting from or based upon (i) any actual or alleged violation of any Environmental Law, (ii) the generation, use, handling, transportation, storage, treatment or disposal of any Hazardous Materials, (iii) any actual or alleged exposure to any Hazardous Materials, (iv) the Release or threatened Release of any Hazardous Materials or (v) any contract, agreement or other consensual arrangement pursuant to which liability is assumed or imposed with respect to any of the foregoing.

“Environmental Permit” shall mean any permit, registration, license, notice, approval, consent, exemption, variance, or other authorization required under or issued pursuant to applicable Environmental Laws.

“ERISA” shall mean the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended from time to time, and any successor statute and the regulations promulgated and rulings issued thereunder.

“ERISA Affiliate” shall mean any person that for purposes of Title I or Title IV of ERISA or Section 412 of the Code would be deemed at any relevant time to be a “single employer” or otherwise aggregated with the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries under Section 414(b), (c), (m) or (o) of the Code or Section 4001 of ERISA.

“ERISA Event” shall mean (i) any “reportable event” as defined in Section 4043 of ERISA with respect to a Plan (other than an event as to which the PBGC has waived under subsection .22, .23, .25, .27 or .28 of PBGC Regulation Section 4043 the requirement of Section 4043(a) of ERISA that it be notified of such event); (ii) any failure to make a required contribution to any Plan that would result in the imposition of a lien or other encumbrance or the provision of security under Section 430 of the Code or Section 303 or 4068 of ERISA, or the arising of such a lien or encumbrance, there being or arising any “unpaid minimum required contribution” or “accumulated funding deficiency” (as defined or otherwise set forth in Section

4971 of the Code or Part 3 of Subtitle B of Title 1 of ERISA), whether or not waived, or any filing of any request for or receipt of a minimum funding waiver under Section 412 of the Code or Section 303 of ERISA with respect to any Plan or Multiemployer Plan, or that such filing may be made, or any determination that any Plan is, or is expected to be, in at-risk status under Title IV of ERISA; (iii) any incurrence by the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or any of their respective ERISA Affiliates of any liability under Title IV of ERISA with respect to any Plan or Multiemployer Plan (other than for premiums due and not delinquent under Section 4007 of ERISA); (iv) any institution of proceedings, or the occurrence of an event or condition which would reasonably be expected to constitute grounds for the institution of proceedings by the PBGC, under Section 4042 of ERISA for the termination of, or the appointment of a trustee to administer, any Plan; (v) any incurrence by the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or any of their respective ERISA Affiliates of any liability with respect to the withdrawal or partial withdrawal from any Plan or Multiemployer Plan, or the receipt by the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or any of their respective ERISA Affiliates of any notice that a Multiemployer Plan is in endangered or critical status under Section 305 of ERISA; (vi) any receipt by the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or any of their respective ERISA Affiliates of any notice, or any receipt by any Multiemployer Plan from the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or any of their respective ERISA Affiliates of any notice, concerning the imposition of Withdrawal Liability or a determination that a Multiemployer Plan is, or is expected to be, insolvent or in reorganization, within the meaning of Title IV of ERISA; (vii) engaging in a non-exempt prohibited transaction within the meaning of Section 4975 of the Code or Section 406 of ERISA; or (viii) any filing of a notice of intent to terminate any Plan if such termination would require material additional contributions in order to be considered a standard termination within the meaning of Section 4041(b) of ERISA, any filing under Section 4041(c) of ERISA of a notice of intent to terminate any Plan, or the termination of any Plan under Section 4041(c) 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.

“Event of Default” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.1.

“Excepted Liens” shall mean: (i) Liens for Taxes, assessments or other governmental charges or levies which are not delinquent or which are being contested in good faith by appropriate action and for which adequate reserves have been maintained in accordance with GAAP; (ii) Liens in connection with workers’ compensation, unemployment insurance or other social security, old age pension, public liability, or environmental, health or safety obligations which are not delinquent or which are being contested in good faith by appropriate action and for which adequate reserves have been maintained in accordance with GAAP, other than any Lien imposed by ERISA; (iii) statutory landlord’s liens, operators’, vendors’, carriers’, warehousemen’s, repairmen’s, mechanics’, suppliers’, workers’, materialmen’s, construction or other like Liens, in each case, arising by operation of law in the ordinary course of business incident to the exploration, development, operation and maintenance of Oil and Gas Properties each of which is in respect of obligations that are not delinquent or which are being contested in good faith by appropriate action and for which adequate reserves have been maintained in accordance with GAAP; (iv) Liens arising solely by virtue of any statutory or common law provision relating to banker’s liens, rights of set-off or similar rights and remedies and burdening only deposit accounts or other funds maintained with a creditor depository institution, *provided* that no such deposit account is a dedicated cash collateral account or is subject to restrictions against access by the depositor in excess of those set forth by regulations promulgated by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and no such deposit account is intended by any Loan Party to provide collateral to the depository institution; (v) easements, rights-of-way, restrictions, servitudes, permits, conditions, covenants, exceptions, reservations and other similar encumbrances in any Property of any Loan Party for the purpose of roads, pipelines, transmission lines, transportation lines, distribution lines for the removal of gas, oil, coal or other minerals or timber, and other like purposes, or for the joint or common use of real estate, rights of way, facilities and equipment, that do not secure any

monetary obligations and which in the aggregate do not materially impair the use of such Property for the purposes of which such Property is held by any Loan Party or materially impair the value of such Property subject thereto; (vi) Liens on cash or securities pledged to secure performance of tenders, surety and appeal bonds, government contracts, performance and return of money bonds, bids, trade contracts, leases, statutory obligations, regulatory obligations and other obligations of a like nature incurred in the ordinary course of business; (vii) royalties, overriding royalties, net profits interests, production payments, reversionary interests, calls on production, preferential purchase rights and other burdens on or deductions from the proceeds of production, that (A) (x) do not secure Indebtedness or (y) are contractual Liens that are limited to a counterparty's uncontested share of production and (B) that are taken into account in computing the net revenue interests and working interests of the Loan Parties warranted in the Collateral Documents or in this Agreement; and (viii) judgment and attachment Liens not giving rise to an Event of Default, *provided* that any appropriate legal proceedings which may have been duly initiated for the review of such judgment shall not have been finally terminated or the period within which such proceeding may be initiated shall not have expired and no action to enforce such Lien has been commenced; *provided* that (a) Liens described in clauses (i) through (iv) shall remain "Excepted Liens" only for so long as no action to enforce such Lien has been commenced and no intention to subordinate the first priority Lien granted in favor of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders is to be hereby implied or expressed by the permitted existence of such Excepted Liens and (b) the term "Excepted Liens" shall not include any Lien securing Indebtedness for borrowed money other than the Obligations.

"Excess Cash" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.11(d).

"Exchange Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and in effect from time to time.

"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 at the time the Guarantee of such Guarantor becomes effective with respect to such related Swap Obligation. If a Swap Obligation arises under a master agreement governing more than one (1) 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 any of the following Taxes imposed on or with respect to a Recipient or required to be withheld or deducted from a payment to a Recipient, (a) Taxes imposed on or measured by net income (however denominated), franchise Taxes, and branch profits Taxes, in each case, (i) imposed as a result of such Recipient being organized under the laws of, or having its principal office or, in the case of any Lender, its applicable lending office located in, the jurisdiction imposing such Tax (or any political subdivision thereof) or (ii) that are Other Connection Taxes, (b) in the case of a Lender, U.S. federal withholding Taxes imposed on amounts payable to or for the account of such Lender with respect to an applicable interest in a Loan or Commitment pursuant to a law in effect on the date on which (i) such Lender acquires such interest in the Loan or Commitment (other than pursuant to an assignment request by the Borrower under Section 2.23) or (ii) such Lender changes its lending office, except in each case to the extent that, pursuant to Section 2.19, amounts with respect to such Taxes were payable either to such Lender's assignor immediately before such Lender became a party hereto or to such Lender immediately before it changed its lending office, (c) Taxes attributable to such Recipient's failure to comply with Section 2.19 and (d) any U.S. federal withholding Taxes imposed under FATCA.

“Existing Collateral Documents” shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals to this Agreement.

“Existing Credit Agreement” shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals to this Agreement.

“Existing Lenders” shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals to this Agreement.

“Existing Letters of Credit” shall mean the letters of credit issued and outstanding under the Existing Credit Agreement.

“Existing Obligations” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(b).

“Exiting Lender” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(b).

“Exiting Lender Agreement” shall mean an exiting agreement, in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, by and among the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and an Exiting Lender.

“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), any current or future regulations or official interpretations thereof and any agreements entered into pursuant to Section 1471(b)(1) of the Code.

“FCPA” shall mean the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977.

“Federal Flood Insurance” shall mean federally backed Flood Insurance available under the National Flood Insurance Program to owners of real property improvements located in Special Flood Hazard Areas in a community participating in the National Flood Insurance Program.

“Federal Funds Rate” shall mean, for any day, the rate per annum 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 Rate as so determined would be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this Agreement.

“FEMA” shall mean the Federal Emergency Management Agency, a component of the United States Department of Homeland Security that administers the National Flood Insurance Program.

“Fiscal Quarter” shall mean any fiscal quarter of the Borrower.

“Fiscal Year” shall mean any fiscal year of the Borrower.

“Flood Insurance” shall mean, for any owned real property located in a Special Flood Hazard Area, Federal Flood Insurance or private insurance that meets or exceeds the requirements set forth by FEMA in its Mandatory Purchase of Flood Insurance Guidelines. Flood Insurance shall be in commercially reasonable amounts at least up to the maximum policy limits set under the National Flood Insurance Program, or as otherwise required by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable judgment, with deductibles not to exceed \$250,000 for losses to buildings and \$250,000 for losses to contents of buildings.

“Flood Insurance Laws” shall mean, collectively, (a) 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, (b) the Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2004, as now or hereafter in effect or any successor statute thereto and (c) the

Biggert Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012, as now or hereafter in effect or any successor statute thereto.

“Foreign Lender” shall mean (a) if the Borrower is a U.S. Person, a Lender that is not a U.S. Person, and (b) if the Borrower is not a U.S. Person, a Lender that is resident or organized under the laws of a jurisdiction other than that in which the Borrower is resident for tax purposes.

“Free Cash Flow” shall mean, for the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, for any Fiscal Quarter, (a) Consolidated EBITDAX for such Fiscal Quarter *minus* (b) the increase (or plus the decrease) in non-cash working capital (excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, non-cash assets and non-cash obligations in each case under ASC 815) from the preceding Fiscal Quarter *minus* (c) the sum, in each case without duplication, of the following amounts for such Fiscal Quarter: (i) the aggregate amount of all voluntary, mandatory and scheduled cash repayments of Indebtedness by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries (other than the Indebtedness created pursuant to the Loan Documents or to the extent any such repayment is funded or financed with net cash proceeds from an issuance of Capital Stock) which cannot be reborrowed pursuant to the terms of such Indebtedness, (ii) the aggregate amount actually paid by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries in cash during such Fiscal Quarter on account of capital expenditures (other than to the extent any such amounts are funded or financed with net cash proceeds from an issuance of Capital Stock), (iii) Consolidated Interest Expense paid in cash during such Fiscal Quarter by the Borrower or any of its subsidiaries, (iv) income taxes paid in cash during such Fiscal Quarter by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, (v) exploration expenses paid in cash during such Fiscal Quarter by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries (other than to the extent any such amounts are funded or financed with net cash proceeds from an issuance of Capital Stock), (vi) other Restricted Payments paid in cash such Fiscal Quarter (other than restricted payments of Available Free Cash Flow), and (vii) to the extent not included in the foregoing and added back in the calculation of Consolidated EBITDAX, any other cash charge during such Fiscal Quarter that reduces the earnings of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries.

“GAAP” shall mean generally accepted accounting principles in the United States applied on a consistent basis and subject to the terms of Section 1.3.

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

“Guarantee” of or by any Person (the “guarantor”) shall mean any obligation, contingent or otherwise, of the guarantor guaranteeing or having the economic effect of guaranteeing any Indebtedness or other obligation of any other Person (the “primary obligor”) in any manner, whether directly or indirectly and including any obligation, direct or indirect, of the guarantor (i) to purchase or pay (or advance or supply funds for the purchase or payment of) such Indebtedness or other obligation or to purchase (or to advance or supply funds for the purchase of) any security for the payment thereof, (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) as an account party in respect of any letter of credit or letter of guaranty issued in support of such Indebtedness or obligation; *provided* that the term “Guarantee” shall not include endorsements for collection or deposit in the ordinary course of business. The amount of any Guarantee shall be deemed to be an amount equal to the stated or determinable amount of the primary obligation in respect of which such Guarantee is made or, if not so stated or determinable, the maximum reasonably anticipated liability in

respect thereof (assuming such Person is required to perform thereunder) as determined by such Person in good faith. The term “Guarantee” used as a verb has a corresponding meaning.

“Guarantor” shall mean each of the Subsidiary Loan Parties.

“Guaranty and Security Agreement” shall mean that certain Amended and Restated Guaranty and Security Agreement, dated as of the date hereof, made by the Loan Parties in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties, in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, as the same may be amended, modified, supplemented, restated or reaffirmed (including reaffirmations of the Guaranty and Security Agreement entered into pursuant to the Existing Credit Agreement) from time to time.

“Hazardous Materials” shall mean all explosive or radioactive substances or wastes and all hazardous or toxic substances, wastes or other pollutants, including Hydrocarbons, petroleum or petroleum distillates, natural gas, oil, oil and gas waste, crude oil, asbestos or asbestos containing materials, polychlorinated biphenyls, radon gas, infectious or medical wastes and all other substances or wastes of any nature regulated pursuant to any Environmental Law.

“Hedge Termination Value” shall mean, in respect of any one (1) or more Hedging Transactions, after taking into account the effect of any legally enforceable netting agreement relating to such Hedging Transactions, (a) for any date on or after the date such Hedging Transactions have been closed out and termination value(s) determined in accordance therewith, such termination value(s) and (b) for any date prior to the date referenced in clause (a), the amount(s) determined as the mark-to-market value(s) for such Hedging Transactions, as determined based upon one (1) or more mid-market or other readily available quotations provided by any recognized dealer in such Hedging Transactions (which may include a Lender or any Affiliate of a Lender).

“Hedge Testing Date” shall mean each date in which financial statements pursuant to Section 5.1(a) or Section 5.1(b), an accompanying Compliance Certificate pursuant to Section 5.1(c) and a certificate pursuant to Section 5.1(d) have been delivered, commencing with the date for which financial statements pursuant to Section 5.1(b), an accompanying Compliance Certificate pursuant to Section 5.1(c) and a certificate pursuant to Section 5.1(d) are delivered for the Fiscal Quarter ending June 30, 2025.

“Hedging Obligations” of any Person shall mean any and all obligations of such Person, whether absolute or contingent and howsoever and whensoever created, arising, evidenced or acquired under (i) any and all Hedging Transactions, (ii) any and all cancellations, buy backs, reversals, terminations or assignments of any Hedging Transactions and (iii) any and all renewals, extensions and modifications of any Hedging Transactions and any and all substitutions for any Hedging Transactions.

“Hedging Transaction” of any Person shall mean (a) any transaction (including an agreement with respect to any such transaction) now existing or hereafter entered into by such Person that is a rate swap transaction, swap option, basis swap, forward rate transaction, commodity swap, commodity option, equity or equity index swap or option, bond option, interest rate option, foreign exchange transaction, cap transaction, floor transaction, collar transaction, currency swap transaction, cross-currency rate swap transaction, currency option, spot transaction, credit protection transaction, credit swap, credit default swap, credit default option, total return swap, credit spread transaction, repurchase transaction, reverse repurchase transaction, buy/sell-back transaction, securities lending transaction, or any other similar transaction (including any option with respect to any of these transactions) or any combination thereof, whether or not any such transaction is governed by or subject to any master agreement, and (b) any and all transactions of any kind, and the related confirmations, which are subject to the terms and conditions of, or governed by, any form of master agreement published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc., any International Foreign Exchange Master Agreement, or any other master agreement (any such master

agreement, together with any related schedules, a “Master Agreement”), including any such obligations or liabilities under any Master Agreement.

“Hydrocarbon Interests” shall mean all rights, titles, interests and estates now or hereafter acquired in and to oil and gas leases, oil, gas and mineral leases, or other liquid or gaseous hydrocarbon leases, mineral fee interests, overriding royalty and royalty interests, net profit interests and production payment interests, including any reserved or residual interests of whatever nature.

“Hydrocarbons” shall mean oil, gas, casinghead gas, drip gasoline, natural gasoline, condensate, distillate, liquid hydrocarbons, gaseous hydrocarbons and all products refined or separated therefrom.

“Increasing Lender” has the meaning assigned such term in Section 2.7(d)(i).

“Indebtedness” of any Person shall mean, without duplication, (i) all obligations of such Person for borrowed money, (ii) all obligations of such Person evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or other similar instruments, (iii) all obligations of such Person in respect of the deferred purchase price of property or services (other than trade payables incurred in the ordinary course of business; *provided* that, for purposes of Section 8.1(f), trade payables overdue by more than one hundred twenty (120) days shall be included in this definition except to the extent that any of such trade payables are being disputed in good faith by appropriate measures and for which adequate reserves are being maintained in accordance with GAAP), (iv) all obligations of such Person under any conditional sale or other title retention agreement(s) relating to property acquired by such Person, (v) all Capital Lease Obligations of such Person, (vi) all obligations, contingent or otherwise, of such Person in respect of letters of credit, acceptances or similar extensions of credit, (vii) all Guarantees of such Person of the type of Indebtedness described in clauses (i) through (vi) above, (viii) all Indebtedness of a third party secured by any Lien on property owned by such Person, whether or not such Indebtedness has been assumed by such Person, (ix) all obligations of such Person, contingent or otherwise, to purchase, redeem, retire or otherwise acquire for value any Disqualified Capital Stock of such Person, (x) all Off-Balance Sheet Liabilities, (xi) all Hedging Obligations and (xii) the undischarged balance of any production payment created by such Person or for the creation of which such Person directly or indirectly received payment. For all purposes hereof, the Indebtedness of any Person shall include the Indebtedness of any partnership or joint venture (other than a joint venture that is itself a corporation or limited liability company or the foreign equivalent thereof) in which such Person is a general partner or a joint venturer, unless such Indebtedness is expressly made non-recourse to such Person.

“Indemnified Taxes” shall mean (a) Taxes other than Excluded Taxes, imposed on or with respect to any payment made by or on account of any obligation of any Loan Party under any Loan Document and (b) to the extent not otherwise described in clause (a), Other Taxes.

“Indemnitee” has the meaning set forth in Section 10.3(b).

“Initial Reserve Report” shall mean the Reserve Report delivered to the Administrative Agent with respect to the Oil and Gas Properties owned by the Borrower immediately prior to the Closing Date.

“Interest Payment Date” means, (a) as to any Term SOFR Loan, the last day of each Interest Period applicable to such Loan and the Commitment Termination Date; *provided, however*, that if any Interest Period for a Term SOFR Loan exceeds three (3) months, the respective dates that fall every three (3) months after the beginning of such Interest Period shall also be Interest Payment Dates; and (b) as to any Base Rate Loan, the last Business Day of each March, June, September and December and the Commitment Termination Date.

“Interest Period” means, as to each Term SOFR Loan, the period commencing on the date such Term SOFR Loan is disbursed or converted to or continued as a Term SOFR Loan and ending on the date

one (1), three (3) or six (6) months thereafter (in each case, subject to availability), as selected by the Borrower in its Notice of Borrowing or Notice of Conversion/Continuation; *provided that*:

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

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

(c) no Interest Period shall extend beyond the Commitment Termination Date.

“Interim Redetermination” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.4(b).

“Interim Redetermination Date” shall mean the date on which a Borrowing Base that has been redetermined pursuant to an Interim Redetermination becomes effective as provided in Section 2.4(d).

“Investments” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.4.

“IRS” shall mean the United States Internal Revenue Service.

“ISDA Definitions” shall mean the 2006 ISDA Definitions published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. or any successor thereto, as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor definitional booklet for interest rate derivatives published from time to time by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. or such successor thereto.

“ISP” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.21(j).

“Issuing Bank(s)” shall mean (i) Bank of America, N.A., in its capacity as the issuer of Letters of Credit pursuant to Section 2.21 and (ii) any other Lender to the extent it has agreed in its sole discretion to act as an “Issuing Bank” hereunder and that has been approved in writing by the Borrower and the Administrative Agent as an “Issuing Bank” hereunder, in each case in its capacity as issuer of any Letter of Credit. Any Issuing Bank may, with the consent of the Borrower (not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed), arrange for one (1) or more Letters of Credit to be issued by branches or Affiliates 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. Each reference herein to the “Issuing Bank” in connection with a Letter of Credit or other matter shall be deemed to be a reference to the relevant Issuing Bank with respect thereto.

“Joint Lead Arrangers” shall mean, collectively, the Lead Arranger and each other Person listed on the cover page of this Agreement as a “Joint Lead Arranger”.

“LC Commitment” shall mean that portion of the Aggregate Commitments that may be used by the Borrower for the issuance of Letters of Credit in an aggregate face amount not to exceed \$5,000,000.

“LC Disbursement” shall mean a payment made by an Issuing Bank pursuant to a Letter of Credit.

“LC Documents” shall mean, as to any Letter of Credit, each application therefor and any other document, agreement and instrument entered into by the Borrower or a Subsidiary with or in favor of the applicable Issuing Bank and relating to such Letter of Credit.

“LC Exposure” shall mean, at any time, the sum of (i) the aggregate undrawn amount of all outstanding Letters of Credit at such time, determined without regard to whether any conditions to drawing could be met at that time, *plus* (ii) the aggregate amount of all LC Disbursements that have not yet been reimbursed by or on behalf of the Borrower at such time. The LC Exposure of any Lender at any time shall be its Pro Rata Share of the total LC Exposure 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 Article 29(a) of the UCP or Rule 3.13 or Rule 3.14 of the ISP or similar terms in the governing rules or laws or of the Letter of Credit itself, or if compliant documents have been presented but not yet honored, such Letter of Credit shall be deemed to be “outstanding” and “undrawn” in the amount so remaining available to be paid, and the obligations of the Borrower and each Lender shall remain in full force and effect until the Issuing Banks and the Lenders shall have no further obligations to make any payments or disbursements under any circumstances with respect to any Letter of Credit.

“Lead Arranger” shall mean BofA Securities, Inc., in its capacity as lead arranger and lead bookrunner in connection with this Agreement.

“Lender Recipient Party” means, collectively, the Lenders and the Issuing Banks.

“Lender-Related Hedge Provider” shall mean any Person that, at the time it enters into a Hedging Transaction with any Loan Party, is a Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender, regardless of whether such Person subsequently ceases to be a Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender. In no event shall any Lender-Related Hedge Provider acting in such capacity be deemed a Lender for purposes hereof to the extent of and as to Hedging Obligations except that each reference to the term “Lender” in Article IX and Section 10.3(b) shall be deemed to include such Lender-Related Hedge Provider. In no event shall the approval of any such Person in its capacity as Lender-Related Hedge Provider be required in connection with the release or termination of any security interest or Lien of the Administrative Agent.

“Lenders” shall have the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph hereof, but does not include the Administrative Agent or the Issuing Banks in their respective capacities as the Administrative Agent or as an Issuing Bank.

“Letter of Credit” shall mean any stand-by letter of credit issued pursuant to Section 2.21 by an Issuing Bank for the account of the Borrower or a Subsidiary Loan Party pursuant to the LC Commitment and any Existing Letter of Credit. Letters of Credit shall be available by sight payment and not by deferred payment, acceptance or negotiation. For the avoidance of doubt, the term “Letter of Credit” shall not include any letter of credit, demand guarantee or other undertaking issued by any Person (including any branch or Affiliate of an Issuing Bank) that is supported by a Letter of Credit issued by any Issuing Bank hereunder pursuant to a back-stop or counter-standby structure.

“Leverage Ratio” shall mean, as of any date, the ratio of (i) Consolidated Total Debt as of such date to (ii) Consolidated EBITDAX for the four (4) consecutive Fiscal Quarters ending on or immediately prior to such date for which financial statements are required to have been delivered under this Agreement; *provided* that for the purposes of calculating the Leverage Ratio, Consolidated Total Debt, as of any date, shall be calculated net of the lesser of (a) the Consolidated Cash Balance (without subtraction of amounts resulting from clause (ii) of the definition of Consolidated Cash Balance) of the Loan Parties as of such date and (b) \$50,000,000.

“Lien” shall mean any mortgage, pledge, security interest, lien (statutory or otherwise), charge, encumbrance, hypothecation, assignment, deposit arrangement, or other arrangement having the practical effect of any of the foregoing or any preference, priority or other security agreement or preferential arrangement of any kind or nature whatsoever (including any conditional sale or other title retention agreement and any Capital Lease having the same economic effect as any of the foregoing).

“Loan Documents” shall mean, collectively, this Agreement, the Collateral Documents, the LC Documents, all Notices of Borrowing, all Notices of Conversion/Continuation, all Compliance Certificates, any promissory notes issued hereunder and any and all other instruments, agreements, documents and writings executed in connection with any of the foregoing, except that the term “Loan Documents” shall not include any Letters of Credit issued pursuant to this Agreement.

“Loan Parties” shall mean the Borrower and the Subsidiary Loan Parties.

“Loans” shall mean all loans in the aggregate or any of them, as the context may require, made by a Lender to the Borrower under its Commitment, which may either be Base Rate Loans or Term SOFR Loans.

“Material Adverse Effect” shall mean, with respect to any event, act, condition or occurrence of whatever nature (including any adverse determination in any litigation, arbitration, or governmental investigation or proceeding), whether singularly or in conjunction with any other event or events, act or acts, condition or conditions, occurrence or occurrences whether or not related, resulting in a material adverse change in, or a material adverse effect on, (i) the business, results of operations, financial condition, assets, or liabilities of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole, (ii) the ability of the Loan Parties to perform any of their material obligations under the Loan Documents, (iii) the rights and remedies of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Banks or the Lenders under any of the Loan Documents or (iv) the legality, validity or enforceability of any of the Loan Documents against any Loan Party.

“Material Agreements” shall mean (i) all agreements, indentures or notes governing the terms of any Material Indebtedness, (ii) all employment and non-compete agreements with executive management, (iii) all agreements, instruments and conveyances relating to Hydrocarbon Interests, and (iv) all other agreements, documents, contracts, indentures and instruments pursuant to which (A) any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries are obligated to make payments in any twelve (12)-month period of \$5,000,000 or more, (B) any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries expects to receive revenue in any twelve (12)-month period of \$5,000,000 or more and (C) a default, breach or termination thereof could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

“Material Indebtedness” shall mean any Indebtedness (other than the Loans and the Letters of Credit) of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries individually or in an aggregate committed or outstanding principal amount exceeding \$5,000,000. For purposes of determining the amount of attributed Indebtedness from Hedging Obligations, the “principal amount” of any Hedging Obligations at any time shall be the Hedge Termination Value of such Hedging Obligations.

“Maximum Loan Amount” shall mean as to each Lender, such Lender’s Pro Rata Share of the Aggregate Maximum Loan Amount, as such commitment may be (i) modified from time to time pursuant to Section 2.4 or Section 2.7 and (ii) modified from time to time pursuant to assignments by or to such Lender pursuant to Section 10.4.

“Moody’s” shall mean Moody’s Investors Service, Inc.

“Mortgaged Property” shall mean any Property owned by any Loan Party which is subject to the Liens existing and to exist under the terms of the Mortgages.

“Mortgages” shall mean each mortgage or deed of trust delivered by any Loan Party to the Administrative Agent from time to time, all in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, as the same may be amended, modified, supplemented, restated or reaffirmed (including reaffirmations of the Mortgages entered into pursuant to the Existing Credit Agreement) from time to time.

“Multiemployer Plan” shall mean any “multiemployer plan” as defined in Section 4001(a)(3) of ERISA, which is contributed to by (or to which there is or may be an obligation to contribute of) the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or an ERISA Affiliate, and each such plan for the five (5)-year period immediately following the latest date on which the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or an ERISA Affiliate contributed to or had an obligation to contribute to such plan.

“National Flood Insurance Program” shall mean the program created by the United States Congress pursuant to the Flood Insurance Laws, that mandates the purchase of flood insurance to cover real property improvements located in Special Flood Hazard Areas in participating communities and provides protection to property owners through a federal insurance program.

“New Borrowing Base Notice” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.4(d).

“Non-Consenting Lender” means any Lender that does not approve any consent, waiver or amendment that (a) requires the approval of all Lenders or all affected Lenders in accordance with the terms of Section 10.2(b) and (b) has been approved by the Required Lenders.

“Non-Defaulting Lender” shall mean, at any time, a Lender that is not a Defaulting Lender.

“Notice of Conversion/Continuation” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.6(b).

“Notice(s) of Borrowing” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.3.

“Obligations” shall mean (a) all amounts owing by the Loan Parties to the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank, any Lender or any Joint Lead Arranger pursuant to or in connection with this Agreement or any other Loan Document or otherwise with respect to any Loan or Letter of Credit including, without limitation, all principal, interest (including any interest accruing after the filing of any petition in bankruptcy or the commencement of any insolvency, reorganization or like proceeding relating to any Loan Party, whether or not a claim for post-filing or post-petition interest is allowed in such proceeding), reimbursement obligations, fees, expenses, indemnification and reimbursement payments, costs and expenses (including all reasonable fees and expenses of counsel to the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank and any Lender incurred pursuant to this Agreement or any other Loan Document), whether direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, now existing or hereafter arising hereunder or thereunder, (b) all Hedging Obligations owed by any Loan Party to any Lender-Related Hedge Provider with respect to Hedging Transactions entered into at the time such Lender-Related Hedge Provider was a Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender, and (c) all Bank Product Obligations, together with all renewals, extensions, modifications or refinancings of any of the foregoing; *provided, however*, that with respect to any Guarantor, the Obligations shall not include any Excluded Swap Obligations.

“OFAC” shall mean the U.S. Department of the Treasury’s Office of Foreign Assets Control.

“Off-Balance Sheet Liabilities” of any Person shall mean (i) any repurchase obligation or liability of such Person with respect to accounts or notes receivable sold by such Person, (ii) any liability of such Person under any sale and leaseback transactions that do not create a liability on the balance sheet of such Person, (iii) any Synthetic Lease Obligation or (iv) any obligation arising with respect to any other transaction which is the functional equivalent of or takes the place of borrowing but which does not constitute a liability on the balance sheet of such Person.

“Oil and Gas Properties” shall mean (i) Hydrocarbon Interests; (ii) the Properties now or hereafter pooled or unitized with Hydrocarbon Interests; (iii) all presently existing or future unitization, pooling agreements and declarations of pooled units and the units created thereby (including without limitation all units created under orders, regulations and rules of any Governmental Authority) which may affect all or any portion of the Hydrocarbon Interests; (iv) all operating agreements, contracts and other agreements, including production sharing contracts and agreements, which relate to any of the Hydrocarbon Interests or the production, sale, purchase, exchange or processing of Hydrocarbons from or attributable to such Hydrocarbon Interests; (v) all Hydrocarbons in and under and which may be produced and saved or attributable to the Hydrocarbon Interests, including all oil in tanks, and all rents, issues, profits, proceeds, products, revenues and other incomes from or attributable to the Hydrocarbon Interests; (vi) all tenements, hereditaments, appurtenances and Properties in any manner appertaining, belonging, affixed or incidental to the Hydrocarbon Interests and (vii) all Properties, rights, titles, interests and estates described or referred to above, including any and all Property, real or personal, now owned or hereinafter acquired and situated upon, used, held for use or useful in connection with the operating, working or development of any of such Hydrocarbon Interests or Property (excluding drilling rigs, automotive equipment, rental equipment or other personal Property which may be on such premises for the purpose of drilling a well or for other similar temporary uses) and including any and all oil wells, gas wells, injection wells or other wells, buildings, structures, fuel separators, liquid extraction plants, plant compressors, pumps, pumping units, field gathering systems, tanks and tank batteries, fixtures, valves, fittings, machinery and parts, engines, boilers, meters, apparatus, equipment, appliances, tools, implements, cables, wires, towers, casing, tubing and rods, surface leases, rights-of-way, easements and servitudes together with all additions, substitutions, replacements, accessions and attachments to any and all of the foregoing.

“OSHA” shall mean the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, as amended from time to time, and any successor statute.

“Other Connection Taxes” shall mean, with respect to any Recipient, Taxes imposed as a result of a present or former connection between such Recipient and the jurisdiction imposing such Tax (other than connections arising from such Recipient having executed, delivered, become a party to, performed its obligations under, received payments under, received or perfected a security interest under, engaged in any other transaction pursuant to or enforced any Loan Document, or sold or assigned an interest in any Loan or Loan Document).

“Other Taxes” shall mean all present or future stamp, court or documentary, intangible, recording, filing or similar Taxes that arise from any payment made under, from the execution, delivery, performance, enforcement or registration of, from the receipt or perfection of a security interest under, or otherwise with respect to, any Loan Document, except any such Taxes that are Other Connection Taxes imposed with respect to an assignment (other than an assignment made pursuant to Section 2.23).

“Parent Company” shall mean, with respect to a Lender, the “bank holding company” as defined in Regulation Y, if any, of such Lender, and/or any Person owning, beneficially or of record, directly or indirectly, a majority of the shares of such Lender.

“Participant” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.4(d).

“Participant Register” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.4(d).

“Patriot Act” shall mean the USA PATRIOT Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2005 (Pub. L. 109-177 (signed into law March 9, 2006)), as amended and in effect from time to time.

“Payment Office” shall mean the office of the Administrative Agent located at 2 Bryant Park, 7th Floor, MC: NY1-540-07-11, New York, New York 10036, or such other location as to which the Administrative Agent shall have given written notice to the Borrower, the Lenders and the Issuing Banks.

“PBGC” shall mean the U.S. Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation referred to and defined in ERISA, and any successor entity performing similar functions.

“Permitted Investments” shall mean:

(a) direct obligations of, or obligations the principal of and interest on which are unconditionally guaranteed by, the United States (or by any agency thereof to the extent such obligations are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States), in each case maturing within one (1) year from the date of acquisition thereof;

(b) commercial paper having the highest rating, at the time of acquisition thereof, of S&P or Moody’s and in either case maturing within six (6) months from the date of acquisition thereof;

(c) certificates of deposit, bankers’ acceptances and time deposits maturing within one hundred eighty (180) days of the date of acquisition thereof issued or guaranteed by or placed with, and money market deposit accounts issued or offered by, any domestic office of any commercial bank organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof which has a combined capital and surplus and undivided profits of not less than \$500,000,000;

(d) fully collateralized repurchase agreements with a term of not more than thirty (30) days for securities described in subsection (a) above and entered into with a financial institution satisfying the criteria described in subsection (c) above; and

(e) mutual funds investing solely in any one (1) or more of the Permitted Investments described in subsections (a) through (d) above.

“Permitted Third Party Bank” shall mean any bank or other financial institution with whom any Loan Party maintains a Controlled Account and with whom a Control Account Agreement has been executed.

“Person” shall mean any individual, partnership, firm, corporation, association, joint venture, limited liability company, trust or other entity, or any Governmental Authority.

“Plan” shall mean any “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3 of ERISA (other than a Multiemployer Plan) maintained or contributed to by the Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate or to which the Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate has or may have an obligation to contribute, and each such plan that is subject to Title IV of ERISA for the five (5)-year period immediately following the latest date on which the Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate maintained, contributed to or had an obligation to contribute to (or is deemed under Section 4069 of ERISA to have maintained or contributed to or to have had an obligation to contribute to, or otherwise to have liability with respect to) such plan.

“Platform” shall mean IntraLinks, Syndtrak, ClearPar or a substantially similar electronic transmission system.

“Pro Forma Basis” shall mean, (i) with respect to any Person, business, property or asset acquired in an Acquisition permitted under Section 7.4, the inclusion as “Consolidated EBITDAX” of the EBITDAX (i.e. net income before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization and exploration expense) for such Person,

business, property or asset as if such Acquisition had been consummated on the first (1st) day of the applicable period, based on historical results accounted for in accordance with GAAP, and (ii) with respect to any Person, business, property or asset sold, transferred or otherwise disposed of, the exclusion from “Consolidated EBITDAX” of the EBITDAX (i.e. net income before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization and exploration expense) for such Person, business, property or asset so disposed of during such period as if such disposition had been consummated on the first (1st) day of the applicable period, in accordance with GAAP.

“Pro Rata Share” shall mean with respect to any Commitment or Loan of any Lender at any time, a percentage, the numerator of which shall be such Lender’s Commitment (or if such Commitment has been terminated or expired or the Loans have been declared to be due and payable, such Lender’s Credit Exposure), and the denominator of which shall be the sum of all Commitments of all Lenders (or if such Commitments have been terminated or expired or the Loans have been declared to be due and payable, all Credit Exposure of all Lenders).

“Property” shall mean any interest in any kind of property or asset, whether real, personal or mixed, or tangible or intangible, including, without limitation, cash, securities, accounts and contract rights.

“Proposed Borrowing Base” shall mean any Borrowing Base proposed by the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 2.4(c)(i).

“Proposed Borrowing Base Notice” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.4(c)(ii).

“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 Lender” has the meaning specified in Section 10.1(b)(v).

“Purchase Agreement” means that certain Purchase and Sale Agreement, dated as of February 25, 2025, by and among Lime Rock Resources IV-A, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, and Lime Rock Resources IV-C, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, collectively as seller, and the Borrower, as buyer.

“QFC” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.19(b).

“Qualified ECP Guarantor” shall mean, in respect of any Hedging Transaction, each Loan Party that (i) has total assets exceeding \$10,000,000 at the time any guaranty of obligations under such Hedging Transaction or grant of the relevant security interest becomes effective or (ii) otherwise constitutes an “eligible contract participant” under the Commodity Exchange Act or any regulations promulgated thereunder and can cause another Person to qualify as an “eligible contract participant” at such time by entering into a keepwell under Section 1a(18)(A)(v)(II) of the Commodity Exchange Act.

“Recipient” shall mean, as applicable, (a) the Administrative Agent, (b) any Lender and (c) the Issuing Bank.

“Regulation D” shall mean Regulation D of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, as the same may be in effect from time to time, and any successor regulations.

“Regulation T” shall mean Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, as the same may be in effect from time to time, and any successor regulations.

“Regulation U” shall mean Regulation U of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, as the same may be in effect from time to time, and any successor regulations.

“Regulation X” shall mean Regulation X of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, as the same may be in effect from time to time, and any successor regulations.

“Regulation Y” shall mean Regulation Y of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, as the same may be in effect from time to time, and any successor regulations.

“Related Parties” shall mean, with respect to any Person, such Person’s Affiliates and the partners, directors, officers, employees, agents, trustees, administrators, managers, advisors, consultants, service providers and representatives of such Person and of such Person’s Affiliates.

“Release” shall mean any release, spill, emission, leaking, dumping, injection, pouring, deposit, disposal, discharge, dispersal, leaching or migration into the environment (including ambient air, surface water, groundwater, land surface or subsurface strata) or within any building, structure, facility or fixture.

“Remedial Work” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.17(a).

“Required Hedging Partial Suspension Right” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.19.

“Required Hedging Percentage” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.19.

“Required Lenders” shall mean, (i) at any time there are three (3) or fewer Lenders under this Agreement, two (2) or more Lenders holding more than sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66-2/3%) of the aggregate outstanding Commitments at such time or, if the Lenders have no Commitments outstanding, then two (2) or more Lenders holding more than sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66-2/3%) of the aggregate outstanding Credit Exposure of the Lenders at such time and (ii) at any time there are greater than three (3) Lenders under this Agreement, (a) with respect to approval of a decrease or maintenance of the Borrowing Base, Lenders holding more than sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66-2/3%) of the aggregate outstanding Commitments at such time or, if the Lenders have no Commitments outstanding, Lenders holding more than sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66-2/3%) of the aggregate outstanding Credit Exposure of the Lenders at such time and (b) with respect to all other approvals requiring the consent of the Required Lenders, Lenders holding more than fifty percent (50%) of the aggregate outstanding Commitments at such time or, if the Lenders have no Commitments outstanding, Lenders holding more than fifty percent (50%) of the aggregate outstanding Credit Exposure of the Lenders at such time; *provided* that to the extent that any Lender is a Defaulting Lender, such Defaulting Lender and all of its Commitments and Credit Exposure shall be excluded for purposes of determining Required Lenders.

“Requirement of Law” for any Person shall mean the articles or certificate of incorporation, bylaws, partnership certificate and agreement, or limited liability company certificate of organization and agreement, as the case may be, and other organizational and governing documents of such Person, and any law, treaty, rule or regulation, or determination of a Governmental Authority, in each case applicable to or binding upon such Person or any of its property or to which such Person or any of its property is subject.

“Rescindable Amount” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.20(d).

“Reserve Report” shall mean a report, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, setting forth, as of the dates set forth in Section 5.13(a) (or such other date in the event of an Interim Redetermination or any other redetermination (other than a Scheduled Redetermination)) the oil and gas reserves attributable to the Oil and Gas Properties of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries that are Qualified ECP Guarantors, together with a projection of the rate of production and future net income, taxes, operating expenses and capital expenditures with respect thereto as of such date, based upon the pricing assumptions consistent with SEC reporting requirements at the time and reflecting Hedging Transactions in place with respect to such production.

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

“Responsible Officer” shall mean (x) with respect to certifying compliance with the financial covenants set forth in Article VI, the chief financial officer or the treasurer of the Borrower and (y) with respect to all other provisions, any of the president, the chief executive officer, the chief operating officer, the chief financial officer, the treasurer or a vice president of the Borrower or such other representative of the Borrower as may be designated in writing by any one (1) of the foregoing with the consent of the Administrative Agent.

“Restricted Payment” shall mean, for any Person, any dividend or distribution on any class of its Capital Stock, or any payment on account of, or set apart assets for a sinking or other analogous fund for, the purchase, redemption, retirement, defeasance or other acquisition of any shares of its Capital Stock, any Indebtedness subordinated to the Obligations or any Guarantee thereof or any options, warrants or other rights to purchase such Capital Stock or such Indebtedness, whether now or hereafter outstanding.

“S&P” shall mean S&P Global Ratings, a business of S&P Global Inc., and any successor thereto.

“Sanctioned Country” shall mean, at any time, a country, region or territory that is, or whose government is, the subject or target of any Sanctions.

“Sanctioned Person” shall mean, at any time, (a) any Person that is the subject or target of any Sanctions, (b) any Person located, organized, operating or resident in a Sanctioned Country or (c) any Person owned or controlled by any such Person.

“Sanctions” shall mean economic or financial sanctions or trade embargoes imposed, administered or enforced from time to time by (a) the U.S. government, including those administered by OFAC, FCPA, the U.S. Department of Commerce or the U.S. Department of State, (b) the United Nations Security Council, the European Union or His Majesty’s Treasury of the United Kingdom or (c) any other relevant sanctions authority.

“Scheduled Redetermination” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.4(b).

“Scheduled Redetermination Date” shall mean the date on which a Borrowing Base that has been redetermined pursuant to a Scheduled Redetermination becomes effective as provided in Section 2.4(d).

“Scheduled Unavailability Date” has the meaning specified in Section 2.15(b)(ii).

“Secured Parties” shall mean the Administrative Agent, the Lenders, the Issuing Banks, the Lender-Related Hedge Providers and the Bank Product Providers.

“SOFR” shall mean a rate *per annum* equal to the Secured Overnight Financing Rate as administered by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (or a successor administrator).

“SOFR Adjustment” shall mean a percentage equal to one-tenth percent (0.10%) *per annum*.

“Solvent” shall mean, with respect to any Person on a particular date, that on such date (a) the fair value of the property of such Person is greater than the total amount of liabilities, including subordinated and contingent liabilities, of such Person; (b) the present fair saleable value of the assets of such Person is not less than the amount that will be required to pay the probable liability of such Person on its debts and liabilities, including subordinated and contingent liabilities as they become absolute and matured; (c) such Person does not intend to, and does not believe that it will, incur debts or liabilities beyond such Person’s

ability to pay as such debts and liabilities mature; and (d) such Person is not engaged in a business or transaction, and is not about to engage in a business or transaction, for which such Person's property would constitute an unreasonably small capital. The amount of contingent liabilities (such as litigation, guaranties and pension plan liabilities) at any time shall be computed as the amount that, in light of all the facts and circumstances existing at the time, represents the amount that would reasonably be expected to become an actual or matured liability.

"Special Flood Hazard Area" shall mean an area that FEMA's current flood maps indicate has at least a one percent (1%) chance of a flood equal to or exceeding the base flood elevation (a 100-year flood) in any given year.

"Subsidiary" shall mean, with respect to any Person (the "parent") at any date, any corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company, association or other entity the accounts of which would be consolidated with those of the parent in the parent's consolidated financial statements if such financial statements were prepared in accordance with GAAP as of such date, as well as any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company, association or other entity (i) of which securities or other ownership interests representing more than fifty percent (50%) of the equity or more than fifty percent (50%) of the ordinary voting power or, in the case of a partnership, more than fifty percent (50%) of the general partnership interests are, as of such date, owned, controlled or held, or (ii) that is, as of such date, otherwise controlled, by the parent or one (1) or more subsidiaries of the parent or by the parent and one (1) or more subsidiaries of the parent. Unless otherwise indicated, all references to "Subsidiary" hereunder shall mean a Subsidiary of the Borrower.

"Subsidiary Loan Party" shall mean any Subsidiary that executes or becomes a party to the Guaranty and Security Agreement.

"Successor Rate" has the meaning specified in Section 2.15(b).

"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.

"Synthetic Lease" shall mean a lease transaction under which the parties intend that (i) the lease will be treated as an "operating lease" by the lessee pursuant to ASC Sections 840-10 and 840-20, as amended, and (ii) the lessee will be entitled to various tax and other benefits ordinarily available to owners (as opposed to lessees) of like property.

"Synthetic Lease Obligations" shall mean, with respect to any Person, the sum of (i) all remaining rental obligations of such Person as lessee under Synthetic Leases which are attributable to principal and, without duplication, (ii) all rental and purchase price payment obligations of such Person under such Synthetic Leases assuming such Person exercises the option to purchase the lease property at the end of the lease term.

"Taxes" shall mean any and all present or future taxes, levies, imposts, duties, deductions, withholdings (including backup withholding), assessments, fees or other charges imposed by any Governmental Authority, including any interest, additions to tax or penalties applicable thereto.

"Term SOFR" means:

(a) for any Interest Period with respect to a Term SOFR Loan, the rate per annum equal to the Term SOFR Screen Rate two (2) U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to the commencement of such Interest Period with a term equivalent to such Interest Period; *provided*

that if the rate is not published prior to 11:00 a.m. on such determination date then Term SOFR means the Term SOFR Screen Rate on the first (1st) U.S. Government Securities Business Day immediately prior thereto, in each case, *plus* the SOFR Adjustment for such Interest Period; and

(b) for any interest calculation with respect to a Base Rate Loan on any date, the rate per annum equal to the Term SOFR Screen Rate two (2) U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to such date with a term of one month commencing that day; *provided* that if the rate is not published prior to 11:00 a.m. on such determination date then Term SOFR means the Term SOFR Screen Rate on the first (1st) U.S. Government Securities Business Day immediately prior thereto, in each case, *plus* the SOFR Adjustment for such term;

provided that if Term SOFR determined in accordance with either of the foregoing provisions (a) or (b) of this definition would otherwise be less than zero percent (0%), Term SOFR shall be deemed to be zero percent (0%).

“Term SOFR Loan” means a Loan that bears interest at a rate based on clause (a) of the definition of Term SOFR.

“Term SOFR Replacement Date” has the meaning specified in Section 2.15(b).

“Term SOFR Screen Rate” means the forward-looking SOFR term rate administered by CME (or any successor administrator satisfactory to the Administrative Agent) and published on the applicable Reuters screen page (or such other commercially available source providing such quotations as may be designated by the Administrative Agent from time to time).

“Trading with the Enemy Act” shall mean the Trading with the Enemy Act of the United States of America (50 U.S.C. App. §§ 1 et seq.), as amended and in effect from time to time.

“Transfer Letters” shall mean, collectively, the letters in lieu of transfer orders in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and executed by the Borrower or any Subsidiary executing a Mortgage.

“Triggering Event” shall mean (a) the sale or disposition of Oil and Gas Properties of the Borrower or any Subsidiary that have a positive value in the most recently delivered Reserve Report or in the Reserve Report evaluated for the then effective Borrowing Base, and (b) the novation or assignment (unless novated or assigned to a counterparty with equal or better creditworthiness), unwinding or termination (unless replaced with positions or contracts no less advantageous to the Borrower or the Subsidiary party thereto), or amendment (if such amendment is materially adverse to the Borrower or the Subsidiary party thereto) of a hedge position or Hedging Transaction considered by the Administrative Agent in determining the then effective Borrowing Base, which, in either such case, after giving effect to such event, results in the aggregate amount of all such events (the value of such Oil and Gas Properties subject to such sale or disposition, and the value of such hedge position or Hedging Transaction subject to any such event, to be determined pursuant to Section 2.4(c)) since the most recent Base Date exceeding five percent (5%) of the Borrowing Base then in effect.

“Type”, when used in reference to a Loan or a Borrowing, refers to whether the rate of interest on such Loan, or on the Loans comprising such Borrowing, is determined by reference to the Term SOFR or the Base Rate.

“UCP” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.21(j).

“UK Financial Institution” shall mean any BRRD Undertaking (as such term is defined under the PRA Rulebook (as amended from time to time) promulgated by the United Kingdom Prudential Regulation Authority) or any person falling within IFPRU 11.6 of the FCA Handbook (as amended from time to time) promulgated by the United Kingdom Financial Conduct Authority, which includes certain credit institutions and investment firms, and certain affiliates of such credit institutions or investment firms.

“UK Resolution Authority” shall mean the Bank of England or any other public administrative authority having responsibility for the resolution of any UK Financial Institution.

“Unfunded Pension Liability” of any Plan shall mean the amount, if any, by which the value of the accumulated plan benefits under the Plan, determined on a plan termination basis in accordance with actuarial assumptions at such time consistent with those prescribed by the PBGC for purposes of Section 4044 of ERISA, exceeds the fair market value of all Plan assets allocable to such liabilities under Title IV of ERISA (excluding any accrued but unpaid contributions).

“Uniform Commercial Code” or “UCC” shall mean the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect from time to time in any applicable jurisdiction.

“United States” or “U.S.” shall mean the United States of America.

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

“U.S. Person” shall mean any Person that is a “United States person” as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code.

“U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.19(g)(ii)(B)(iii).

“Withdrawal Liability” 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.

“Withholding Agent” shall mean the Borrower, any other Loan Party or the Administrative Agent, as applicable, and, in the case of U.S. federal withholding Taxes, any applicable withholding agent.

“Write-Down and Conversion Powers” shall mean (a) with respect to any EEA Resolution Authority, the write-down and conversion powers of such EEA Resolution Authority from time to time under the Bail-In Legislation for the applicable EEA Member Country, which write-down and conversion powers are described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule and (b) with respect to the United Kingdom, any powers of the applicable Resolution Authority under the Bail-In Legislation to cancel, reduce, modify or change the form of a liability of any UK Financial Institution or any contract or instrument under which that liability arises, to convert all or part of that liability into shares, securities or obligations of that person or any other person, to provide that any such contract or instrument is to have effect as if a right had been exercised under it or to suspend any obligation in respect of that liability or any of the powers under that Bail-In Legislation that are related to or ancillary to any of those powers.

Section 1.2. Classifications of Loans and Borrowings. For purposes of this Agreement, Loans may be classified and referred to by Type (e.g. “Term SOFR Loan” or “Base Rate Loan”). Borrowings also may be classified and referred to by Type (e.g. “Term SOFR Borrowing”).

Section 1.3. Accounting Terms and Determination. Unless otherwise defined or specified herein, all accounting terms used herein shall be interpreted, all accounting determinations hereunder shall be made, and all financial statements required to be delivered hereunder shall be prepared, in accordance with GAAP as in effect from time to time, applied on a basis consistent with the most recent audited consolidated financial statement of the Borrower delivered pursuant to Section 5.1(a); *provided* that if the Borrower notifies the Administrative Agent that the Borrower wishes to amend any covenant in Article VI to eliminate the effect of any change in GAAP on the operation of such covenant (or if the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower that the Required Lenders wish to amend Article VI for such purpose), then the Borrower's compliance with such covenant shall be determined on the basis of GAAP in effect immediately before the relevant change in GAAP became effective, until either such notice is withdrawn or such covenant is amended in a manner satisfactory to the Borrower and the Required Lenders. Notwithstanding any other provision contained herein, (a) all terms of an accounting or financial nature used herein shall be construed, and all computations of amounts and ratios referred to herein shall be made, without giving effect to any election under ASC Section 825-10 (or any other Financial Accounting Standard having a similar result or effect) to value any Indebtedness or other liabilities of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary of any Loan Party at "fair value", as defined therein and (b) for all purposes of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, including negative covenants, financial covenants and component definitions, GAAP will be deemed to treat operating leases and Capital Leases in a manner consistent with the treatment under GAAP as in effect prior to the issuance by the Financial Accounting Standards Board on February 25, 2016 of Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-02.

Section 1.4. Terms Generally. The definitions of terms herein shall apply equally to the singular and plural forms of the terms defined. Whenever the context may require, any pronoun shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine and neuter forms. The words "include", "includes" and "including" shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase "without limitation". The word "will" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect as the word "shall". In the computation of periods of time from a specified date to a later specified date, the word "from" means "from and including" and the word "to" means "to but excluding". The word "or" is not exclusive. The word "year" shall refer (i) in the case of a leap year, to a year of three hundred sixty-six (366) days, and (ii) otherwise, to a year of three hundred sixty-five (365) days. Unless the context requires otherwise (i) any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument or other document herein shall be construed as referring to such agreement, instrument or other document as it was originally executed or as it may from time to time be amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified (subject to any restrictions on such amendments, supplements or modifications set forth herein), (ii) any reference herein to any Person shall be construed to include such Person's successors and permitted assigns, (iii) the words "hereof", "herein" and "hereunder" and words of similar import shall be construed to refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular provision hereof, (iv) all references to Articles, Sections, Exhibits and Schedules shall be construed to refer to Articles, Sections, Exhibits and Schedules to this Agreement, (v) any reference to any law shall include all statutory and regulatory provisions consolidating, amending, replacing or interpreting such law and any reference to any law or regulation shall, unless otherwise specified, refer to such law or regulation as amended, modified or supplemented from time to time, (vi) the words "asset" and "property" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect and to refer to any and all tangible and intangible assets and properties, including cash, securities, accounts and contract rights, and (vii) the words "renew", "renewal" and variations thereof as used herein with respect to a Letter of Credit means to extend the term of such Letter of Credit or to reinstate an amount drawn under such Letter of Credit or both. References to "proved" in respect of Oil and Gas Properties herein shall mean, at any particular time, Oil and Gas Properties classified as "Proved Reserves" as defined in the Definitions for Oil and Gas Reserves promulgated by the Society of Petroleum Engineers (or any generally recognized successor) as in effect at the time in question. No provision of this Agreement or any other Loan Document shall be interpreted or construed against any Person solely because such Person or its legal representative drafted such provision.

Section 1.5. Time of Day. Unless otherwise specified, all references herein to time of day shall be references to Eastern time (daylight or standard, as applicable).

Section 1.6. Divisions. For all purposes under the Loan Documents, in connection with any division or plan of division under Delaware law (or any comparable event under a different jurisdiction's laws): (a) if any asset, right, obligation or liability of any Person becomes the asset, right, obligation or liability of a different Person, then it shall be deemed to have been transferred from the original Person to the subsequent Person, and (b) if any new Person comes into existence, such new Person shall be deemed to have been organized on the first (1st) date of its existence by the holders of its equity interests at such time.

Section 1.7. Rates. The Administrative Agent does not warrant, nor accept responsibility, nor shall the Administrative Agent have any liability with respect to the administration, submission or any other matter related to any reference rate referred to herein or with respect to any rate (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the selection of such rate and any related spread or other adjustment) that is an alternative or replacement for or successor to any such rate (including, without limitation, any Successor Rate) (or any component of any of the foregoing) or the effect of any of the foregoing, or of any Conforming Changes. The Administrative Agent and its affiliates or other related entities may engage in transactions or other activities that affect any reference rate referred to herein, or any alternative, successor or replacement rate (including, without limitation, any Successor Rate) (or any component of any of the foregoing) or any related spread or other adjustments thereto, in each case, in a manner adverse to the Borrower. The Administrative Agent may select information sources or services in its reasonable discretion to ascertain any reference rate referred to herein or any alternative, successor or replacement rate (including, without limitation, any Successor Rate) (or any component of any of the foregoing), in each case pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, and shall have no liability to the Borrower, any Lender or any other person or entity for damages of any kind, including direct or indirect, special, punitive, incidental or consequential damages, costs, losses or expenses (whether in tort, contract or otherwise and whether at law or in equity), for any error or other action or omission related to or affecting the selection, determination, or calculation of any rate (or component thereof) provided by any such information source or service.

Section 1.8. Letter of Credit Amounts. Unless otherwise specified herein, the amount of a Letter of Credit at any time shall be deemed to be the amount of such Letter of Credit available to be drawn at such time; *provided* that with respect to any Letter of Credit that, by its terms, provides for one (1) or more automatic increases in the available amount thereof, the amount of such Letter of Credit shall be deemed to be the maximum amount of such Letter of Credit after giving effect to all such increases, whether or not such maximum amount is available to be drawn at such time.

ARTICLE II

AMOUNT AND TERMS OF THE COMMITMENTS

Section 2.1. General Description of Facility; Existing Obligations.

(a) **General Description of Facility.** Subject to and upon the terms and conditions herein set forth, (i) the Lenders hereby establish in favor of the Borrower a revolving credit facility pursuant to which each Lender severally agrees (to the extent of such Lender's Commitment) to make Loans to the Borrower in accordance with Section 2.2; (ii) the Issuing Banks may issue Letters of Credit in accordance with Section 2.21; and (iii) each Lender agrees to purchase a participation interest in the Letters of Credit pursuant to the terms and conditions hereof; *provided* that in no event shall the aggregate principal amount of all outstanding Loans and outstanding LC Exposure exceed the Aggregate Commitment Amount in effect from time to time.

(b) Existing Obligations under the Existing Credit Agreement. The parties hereto acknowledge and agree that, effective as of the Closing Date, (i) all outstanding SOFR Loans (as defined in the Existing Credit Agreement) on the date hereof are (and shall be deemed to be) converted to Base Rate Loans under, and as defined in, the Existing Credit Agreement (and (x) the Borrower agrees to pay to each Existing Lender that will not become a Lender hereunder (each, an “Exiting Lender”) such costs and expenses that would have been due under Section 2.18 of the Existing Credit Agreement as a result of such conversion unless waived by such Exiting Lender pursuant to its Exiting Lender Agreement and (y) each Existing Lender that is not an Exiting Lender agrees to waive such costs and expenses that would have been due under Section 2.18 of the Existing Credit Agreement as a result of such conversion), (ii) all outstanding Loans (as defined in the Existing Credit Agreement) under the Existing Credit Agreement are refinanced in full with the proceeds of the initial funding of Loans hereunder, and (iii) the Obligations (as defined in this Agreement) represent, among other things, the assignment, renewal, extension, amendment, restatement, modification and rearrangement of the Obligations (as defined in the Existing Credit Agreement) under the Existing Credit Agreement on the date hereof (the “Existing Obligations”). The outstanding Obligations under, and as defined in, the Existing Credit Agreement shall be assigned, renewed, extended, amended, restated, modified, and rearranged as Obligations outstanding under and pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. On the Closing Date and after giving effect to such extension, amendment, restatement, modification and rearrangement of the Existing Obligations, the Maximum Loan Amount of each Lender shall be as set forth on Schedule I.

Section 2.2. Loans. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, each Lender severally agrees to make Loans, ratably in proportion to its Pro Rata Share of the Aggregate Commitments, to the Borrower, from time to time during the Availability Period, in an aggregate principal amount outstanding at any time that will not result in (a) such Lender’s Credit Exposure exceeding such Lender’s Commitment or (b) the aggregate Credit Exposures of all Lenders exceeding the Aggregate Commitment Amount. During the Availability Period, the Borrower shall be entitled to borrow, prepay and reborrow Loans in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement; *provided* that the Borrower may not borrow or reborrow should there exist a Default or Event of Default.

Section 2.3. Procedure for Borrowings. The Borrower shall give the Administrative Agent written notice (or telephonic notice promptly confirmed in writing) of each Borrowing, substantially in the form of Exhibit 2.3 attached hereto (a “Notice(s) of Borrowing”), (x) prior to 11:00 a.m. one (1) Business Day prior to the requested date of each Base Rate Borrowing and (y) prior to 11:00 a.m. three (3) U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to the requested date of each Term SOFR Borrowing (*provided* that, with respect to any Term SOFR Borrowing on the Closing Date (A) the Borrower shall have until 3:00 p.m. two (2) U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to the Closing Date to deliver the applicable Notice of Borrowing and (B) the Borrower shall deliver to the Administrative Agent a funding indemnity letter in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent for such Term SOFR Borrowing). Each Notice of Borrowing shall be irrevocable and shall specify (i) the aggregate principal amount of such Borrowing, (ii) the date of such Borrowing (which shall be a Business Day), (iii) the Type of such Loan comprising such Borrowing and (iv) in the case of a Term SOFR Borrowing, the duration of the initial Interest Period applicable thereto (subject to the provisions of the definition of Interest Period). Each Borrowing shall consist entirely of Base Rate Loans or Term SOFR Loans, as the Borrower may request. The aggregate principal amount of each Term SOFR Borrowing shall not be less than \$5,000,000 or a larger multiple of \$1,000,000, and the aggregate principal amount of each Base Rate Borrowing shall not be less than \$1,000,000 or a larger multiple of \$100,000; *provided* that the forgoing shall not apply to Base Rate Loans made pursuant to Section 2.21(d). If the Borrower fails to specify a Type of Loan in a Notice of Borrowing, then the applicable Loans shall be made as, or converted to, Base Rate Loans. If the Borrower requests a Borrowing of Term SOFR Loans in any such Notice of Borrowing, but fails to specify

an Interest Period, it will be deemed to have specified an Interest Period of one (1) month. Promptly following the receipt of a Notice of Borrowing in accordance herewith, the Administrative Agent shall advise each Lender of the details thereof and the amount of such Lender's Loan to be made as part of the requested Borrowing. After giving effect to all Borrowings, all conversions of Loans from one Type to the other, and all continuations of Loans as the same Type, there shall not be more than ten (10) Interest Periods in effect in respect of this credit facility.

Section 2.4. Borrowing Base.

(a) Initial Borrowing Base. For the period from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the first (1st) date on which a redetermined or adjusted Borrowing Base becomes effective pursuant to Section 2.4(d), the amount of the Borrowing Base shall be \$585,000,000. The Borrowing Base is subject to periodic redeterminations, mandatory reductions and further adjustments from time to time pursuant to this Agreement.

(b) Scheduled and Interim Redeterminations. The Borrowing Base shall be redetermined semi-annually on each November 1 and May 1, beginning November 1, 2025 (each, a "Scheduled Redetermination"). In addition, the Borrower may, by notifying the Administrative Agent thereof, and the Administrative Agent may, at the direction of the Required Lenders, by notifying the Borrower thereof, each elect to cause the Borrowing Base to be redetermined one (1) time during each of the following periods: (A) between the Closing Date and the November 1, 2025 Scheduled Redetermination, and (B) starting with the November 1, 2025 Scheduled Redetermination, during any period between Scheduled Redeterminations (each, an "Interim Redetermination"), in accordance with this Section 2.4.

(c) Scheduled and Interim Redetermination Procedure.

(i) Each Scheduled Redetermination and each Interim Redetermination shall be effectuated as follows: Upon receipt by the Administrative Agent of (A) the Reserve Report and the certificate required to be delivered by the Borrower to the Administrative Agent, in the case of a Scheduled Redetermination, pursuant to subsections (a) and (c) of Section 5.13, and, in the case of an Interim Redetermination, pursuant to subsections (b) and (c) of Section 5.13, and (B) such other reports, data and supplemental information, including, without limitation, the information provided pursuant to subsection (c) of Section 5.13, as may, from time to time, be reasonably requested by the Required Lenders (the Reserve Report, such certificate and such other reports, data and supplemental information being the "Engineering Reports"), the Administrative Agent shall evaluate the information contained in the Engineering Reports and shall propose a new Borrowing Base which shall be based upon such information from the Engineering Reports and such other information as the Administrative Agent deems appropriate in its sole discretion consistent with its applicable lending criteria as it exists at such time. In no event shall the Proposed Borrowing Base exceed the Aggregate Maximum Loan Amount;

(ii) The Administrative Agent shall notify the Borrower and the Lenders of the Proposed Borrowing Base (the "Proposed Borrowing Base Notice") after the Administrative Agent has received complete Engineering Reports from the Borrower and has had a reasonable opportunity to determine the Proposed Borrowing Base in accordance with Section 2.4(c)(i); and

(iii) Until the Borrowing Base is redetermined in accordance with this Section 2.4, the then-existing Borrowing Base will remain in effect. Any Proposed Borrowing Base that would increase the Borrowing Base then in effect must be approved by all of the Lenders as provided in this Section 2.4(c)(iii); and any Proposed Borrowing Base that would decrease or

maintain the Borrowing Base then in effect must be approved or be deemed to have been approved by the Required Lenders as provided in this Section 2.4(c)(iii). Upon receipt of the Proposed Borrowing Base Notice, each Lender shall have fifteen (15) days to agree with the Proposed Borrowing Base or disagree with the Proposed Borrowing Base by proposing an alternate Borrowing Base. If, at the end of such fifteen (15) days (A) in the case of any Proposed Borrowing Base that would decrease or maintain the Borrowing Base then in effect, any Lender has not communicated its approval or disapproval in writing to the Administrative Agent, such silence shall be deemed to be an approval of the Proposed Borrowing Base and (B) in the case of any Proposed Borrowing Base that would increase the Borrowing Base then in effect, any Lender has not communicated its approval or disapproval in writing to the Administrative Agent, such silence shall be deemed to be a disapproval of the Proposed Borrowing Base. If, at the end of such fifteen (15)-day period, all of the Lenders, in the case of a Proposed Borrowing Base that would increase the Borrowing Base then in effect, or the Required Lenders, in the case of a Proposed Borrowing Base that would decrease or maintain the Borrowing Base then in effect, have approved or, in the case of a decrease or reaffirmation, deemed to have approved, as aforesaid, then the Proposed Borrowing Base shall become the new Borrowing Base effective on the date specified in Section 2.4(d). If, however, at the end of such fifteen (15)-day period, all of the Lenders or the Required Lenders, as applicable, have not approved or, in the case of a decrease or reaffirmation, deemed to have approved, as aforesaid, then the Administrative Agent shall poll the Lenders to ascertain the highest Borrowing Base then acceptable to (x) in the case of a decrease or reaffirmation, a number of Lenders sufficient to constitute the Required Lenders and (y) in the case of an increase, all of the Lenders, and such amount shall become the new Borrowing Base effective on the date specified in Section 2.4(d).

(d) Effectiveness of a Redetermined Borrowing Base. After a redetermined Borrowing Base which maintains or decreases the Borrowing Base is approved or is deemed to have been approved by the Required Lenders and after a redetermined Borrowing Base which increases the Borrowing Base is approved by the Lenders, pursuant to Section 2.4(c)(iii), the Administrative Agent shall notify the Borrower and the Lenders of the amount of the redetermined Borrowing Base (the “New Borrowing Base Notice”), and such amount shall become the new Borrowing Base effective and applicable to the Borrower, the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Banks and the Lenders:

(i) in the case of a Scheduled Redetermination, (A) if the Administrative Agent shall have received the Engineering Reports required to be delivered by the Borrower pursuant to Section 5.13(a) and Section 5.13(c) in a timely and complete manner, then on the May 1 or November 1 (or, in each case, such date promptly thereafter as reasonably practicable), as applicable, following such notice, or (B) if the Administrative Agent shall not have received the Engineering Reports required to be delivered by the Borrower pursuant to subsections (a) and (c) of Section 5.13 in a timely and complete manner, then on the Business Day next succeeding delivery of such notice; and

(ii) in the case of an Interim Redetermination and any other redetermination provided for in this Agreement (other than a Scheduled Redetermination), on the Business Day next succeeding delivery of such notice.

Such amount shall then become the Borrowing Base until the next Scheduled Redetermination Date, the next Interim Redetermination Date, or the next adjustment to the Borrowing Base pursuant to this Agreement, whichever occurs first.

(e) Other Redeterminations. In addition to the Borrowing Base redeterminations provided for otherwise in this Section 2.4 or any other provision of this Agreement, effective immediately upon each occurrence of a Triggering Event, the then-effective Borrowing Base shall automatically reduce on the date of the occurrence of such Triggering Event by the amount of the Borrowing Base value attributable to such disposed Oil and Gas Properties, hedge positions or Hedging Transactions, as applicable, in the calculation of the then-effective Borrowing Base and the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify the Borrower in writing of such reduced Borrowing Base pursuant to this Section 2.4(e). In connection with any automatic reduction of the Borrowing Base under this Section 2.4(e), Borrower shall provide the Administrative Agent and the Lenders with such information regarding Borrower's and its Subsidiaries' business (including, without limitation, its Oil and Gas Properties, the proven reserves, and production relating thereto) as the Administrative Agent or any Lender may request, including an updated Reserve Report prepared by an Approved Petroleum Engineer.

Section 2.5. Funding of Borrowings.

(a) Each Lender will make available each Loan to be made by it hereunder on the proposed date thereof by wire transfer in immediately available funds by 11:00 a.m. to the Administrative Agent at the Payment Office. Upon satisfaction of the applicable conditions set forth in Section 3.2 (or if such Borrowing is on the Closing Date, Section 3.1 and Section 3.2), the Administrative Agent will make such Loans available to the Borrower (i) by promptly crediting the amounts that it receives, in like funds by the close of business on such proposed date, to an account maintained by the Borrower with the Administrative Agent or, at the Borrower's option, or (ii) by effecting a wire transfer of such amounts to an account designated by the Borrower to the Administrative Agent, in each case in accordance with instructions provided to (and reasonably acceptable to) the Administrative Agent by the Borrower; *provided, however*, that if, on the date a Notice of Borrowing is given by the Borrower, there are LC Disbursements outstanding that have not yet been reimbursed by or on behalf of the Borrower, then the proceeds of such Borrowing, first, shall be applied to the payment in full of any such outstanding LC Disbursements, and second, shall be made available to the Borrower as provided above.

(b) Unless the Administrative Agent shall have been notified by any Lender prior to 5:00 p.m. one (1) Business Day prior to the date of a Borrowing in which such Lender is to participate 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 amount available to the Administrative Agent on such date, and the Administrative Agent, in reliance on such assumption, may make available to the Borrower on such date a corresponding amount. If such corresponding amount is not in fact made available to the Administrative Agent by such Lender on the date of such Borrowing, the Administrative Agent shall be entitled to recover such corresponding amount on demand from such Lender together with interest (x) at the Federal Funds Rate until the second (2nd) Business Day after such demand and (y) at the Base Rate at all times thereafter. If such Lender does not pay such corresponding amount forthwith upon the Administrative Agent's demand therefor, the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify the Borrower, and the Borrower shall immediately pay such corresponding amount to the Administrative Agent together with interest at the rate specified for such Borrowing. Nothing in this subsection shall be deemed to relieve any Lender from its obligation to fund its Pro Rata Share of any Borrowing hereunder or to prejudice any rights which the Borrower may have against any Lender as a result of any default by such Lender hereunder.

(c) All Borrowings shall be made by the Lenders on the basis of their respective Pro Rata Shares. No Lender shall be responsible for any default by any other Lender in its obligations

hereunder, and each Lender shall be obligated to make its Loans provided to be made by it hereunder, regardless of the failure of any other Lender to make its Loans hereunder.

Section 2.6. Interest Elections.

(a) Each Borrowing initially shall be of the Type specified in the applicable Notice of Borrowing. Thereafter, the Borrower may elect to convert such Borrowing into a different Type or to continue such Borrowing, 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 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 give the Administrative Agent written notice (or telephonic notice promptly confirmed in writing) of each Borrowing that is to be converted or continued, as the case may be, substantially in the form of Exhibit 2.6 attached hereto (a “Notice of Conversion/Continuation”) (x) prior to 10:00 a.m. one (1) Business Day prior to the requested date of a conversion into a Base Rate Borrowing and (y) prior to 11:00 a.m. three (3) U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to a continuation of or conversion into a Term SOFR Borrowing. Each such Notice of Conversion/Continuation shall be irrevocable and shall specify (i) the Borrowing to which such Notice of Conversion/Continuation applies and, if different options are being elected with respect to different portions thereof, the portions thereof that are to be allocated to each resulting Borrowing (in which case the information to be specified pursuant to clauses (iii) and (iv) shall be specified for each resulting Borrowing), (ii) the effective date of the election made pursuant to such Notice of Conversion/Continuation, which shall be a Business Day, (iii) whether the resulting Borrowing is to be a Base Rate Borrowing or a Term SOFR Borrowing, and (iv) if the resulting Borrowing is to be a Term SOFR Borrowing, the Interest Period applicable thereto after giving effect to such election, which shall be a period contemplated by the definition of “Interest Period”. If any such Notice of Conversion/Continuation requests a Term SOFR Borrowing but does not specify an Interest Period, the Borrower shall be deemed to have selected an Interest Period of one (1) month. The principal amount of any resulting Borrowing shall satisfy the minimum borrowing amount for Term SOFR Borrowings and Base Rate Borrowings set forth in Section 2.3.

(c) If, on the expiration of any Interest Period in respect of any Term SOFR Borrowing, the Borrower shall have failed to deliver a Notice of Conversion/Continuation, then, unless such Borrowing is repaid as provided herein, the Borrower shall be deemed to have elected to convert such Borrowing to a Base Rate Borrowing. Any such automatic conversion to a Base Rate Borrowing shall be effective as of the last day of the Interest Period then in effect with respect to the applicable Term SOFR Borrowing. No Borrowing may be converted into, or continued as, a Term SOFR Borrowing if a Default or an Event of Default exists, unless the Administrative Agent and each of the Lenders shall have otherwise consented in writing. No conversion of any Term SOFR Loan shall be permitted except on the last day of the Interest Period in respect thereof.

(d) Upon receipt of any Notice of Conversion/Continuation, the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify each Lender of the details thereof and of such Lender’s portion of each resulting Borrowing.

Section 2.7. Optional Reduction and Termination of Commitments; Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount.

(a) Scheduled Termination of Commitments. Unless previously terminated, all Commitments and LC Commitments shall terminate on the Commitment Termination Date.

(b) Optional Termination and Reduction of Aggregate Maximum Loan Amount. Upon written notice (or telephonic notice promptly confirmed in writing) received by the Administrative Agent (which notice shall be irrevocable) not later than 11:00 a.m. five (5) Business Days' prior to such reduction or termination, the Borrower may reduce the Aggregate Maximum Loan Amount in part or terminate the Aggregate Maximum Loan Amount (and by virtue thereof, all Commitments) in whole; *provided* that (i) any partial reduction shall apply to reduce proportionately among Lenders (in accordance with their Pro Rata Shares) and permanently the Commitment of each Lender, (ii) any partial reduction pursuant to this Section shall be in an amount of at least \$10,000,000 and any larger multiple of \$1,000,000, and (iii) no such reduction shall be permitted which would reduce the Aggregate Maximum Loan Amount to an amount less than the aggregate outstanding Credit Exposure of all Lenders. Any such reduction in the Aggregate Maximum Loan Amount below the principal amount of the LC Commitment shall result in a dollar-for-dollar reduction in the LC Commitment and no such reduction shall be permitted that would reduce the Aggregate Maximum Loan Amount below the aggregate LC Exposure of all Lenders.

(c) Optional Termination of Commitment of Defaulting Lender. With the written approval of the Administrative Agent, the Borrower may terminate (on a non-ratable basis) the unused amount of the Maximum Loan Amount (and by virtue thereof, all of the Commitment) of a Defaulting Lender, and in such event the provisions of Section 2.24 will apply to all amounts thereafter paid by the Borrower for the account of any such Defaulting Lender under this Agreement (whether on account of principal, interest, fees, indemnity or other amounts); *provided* that such termination will not be deemed to be a waiver or release of any claim that the Borrower, the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank or any other Lender may have against such Defaulting Lender.

(d) Increases, Reductions and Terminations of Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount.

(i) Subject to the conditions set forth in Section 2.7(d)(ii), the Borrower may increase the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount then in effect by increasing the Elected Commitment of one or more existing Lenders (each such Lender, an "Increasing Lender") and/or causing one or more Persons acceptable to the Administrative Agent and that at such time are not Lenders to become a Lender (each such Person that is not at such time a Lender and becomes a Lender, an "Additional Lender"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, in no case shall an Additional Lender be the Borrower, an Affiliate of the Borrower or a natural person.

(ii) Any increase in the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount shall be subject to the following additional conditions:

(A) no increase in the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount shall be permitted if after giving effect thereto the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount exceeds the Borrowing Base then in effect;

(B) (1) the Borrower may not increase the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount more than once between any two (2) redeterminations of the Borrowing Base, whether a Scheduled Redetermination or an Interim Redetermination and (2) the Borrower may not increase the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount more than three (3) times prior to the Commitment Termination Date;

(C) no Lender's Elected Commitment may be increased without the consent of such Lender;

(D) subject to Section 2.7(d)(ix) below, if the Borrower elects to increase the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount by increasing the Elected Commitment of one or more Lenders, the Borrower and each such Increasing Lender shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit 2.7(d)(ii)(D) (an “Elected Commitment Increase Certificate”) and the Borrower shall pay any applicable fees as may have been agreed to between the Borrower, such Increasing Lender and/or the Administrative Agent;

(E) if the Borrower elects to increase the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount by causing one or more Additional Lenders to become a party to this Agreement, then the Borrower and each such Additional Lender shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit 2.7(d)(ii)(E) (an “Additional Lender Certificate”), together with an Administrative Questionnaire for each Additional Lender, and the Borrower shall (1) if requested by any Additional Lender, deliver a promissory note payable to the order of such Additional Lender in a principal amount equal to its Maximum Loan Amount and in a form reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and (2) pay any applicable fees as may have been agreed to between the Borrower, any Additional Lender and/or the Administrative Agent; and

(F) no Default exists.

(iii) Subject to acceptance and recording thereof pursuant to Section 2.7(d)(iv), from and after the effective date specified in the Elected Commitment Increase Certificate or the Additional Lender Certificate: (A) the amount of the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount shall be increased as set forth therein, and (B) in the case of an Additional Lender Certificate, any Additional Lender party thereto shall be a party to this Agreement and have the rights and obligations of a Lender under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents. In addition, each Increasing Lender and Additional Lender shall be deemed to have purchased a pro rata portion of the outstanding Loans (and participations in then outstanding Letters of Credit) of each of the other Lenders (and such Lenders hereby agree to sell and to take all such further action to effectuate such sale) such that each Lender (including any Increasing Lender and any Additional Lender) shall hold its Pro Rata Share of the outstanding Loans and participations in then outstanding Letters of Credit after giving effect to the increase in the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount and the resulting modification of each Lender’s Pro Rata Share and Maximum Loan Amount pursuant to Section 2.7(d)(v). In connection with the foregoing, the Borrower shall pay any break funding costs payable pursuant to Section 2.18.

(iv) Upon its receipt of a duly completed Elected Commitment Increase Certificate or an Additional Lender Certificate, executed by the Borrower and the Increasing Lender or by the Borrower and the Additional Lender party thereto, as applicable, and the Administrative Questionnaire referred to in Section 2.7(d)(ii), the Administrative Agent shall accept such Elected Commitment Increase Certificate or Additional Lender Certificate and record the information contained therein in the Register required to be maintained by the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 10.4(c).

(v) Upon any increase in the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount pursuant to this Section 2.7(d), (A) each Lender’s Pro Rata Share shall be automatically deemed amended to the extent necessary so that each such Lender’s Pro Rata Share equals the percentage of the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount represented by such Lender’s Elected Commitment, in each case after giving effect to such increase, (B) each Lender’s Maximum Loan Amount shall be automatically deemed amended to the extent necessary so that each Lender’s

Maximum Loan Amount equals such Lender's Pro Rata Share, after giving effect to any adjustments thereto pursuant to the foregoing clause (A), of the Aggregate Maximum Loan Amount, and (C) Schedule II to this Agreement shall be deemed amended to reflect the Elected Commitment of any Increasing Lender and any Additional Lender, and any changes in the Lenders' respective Pro Rata Share and Maximum Loan Amounts pursuant to the foregoing clauses (A) and (B), and (C) the Borrower shall execute and deliver promissory notes to the extent requested under Section 2.9(b).

(vi) The Borrower may from time to time terminate or reduce the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount; *provided* that (A) each reduction of the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount shall be in an amount that is an integral multiple of \$500,000 and not less than \$5,000,000 and (B) the Borrower shall not reduce the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount if, after giving effect to any concurrent prepayment of the Loans in accordance with Section 2.10, the total Credit Exposures would exceed the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount as reduced.

(vii) The Borrower shall notify the Administrative Agent of any election to terminate or reduce the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount under Section 2.7(d)(vi) at least three (3) Business Days prior to the effective date of such termination or reduction, specifying such election and the effective date thereof. Promptly following receipt of any notice, the Administrative Agent shall advise the Lenders of the contents thereof. Each reduction of the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount shall be made ratably among the Lenders in accordance with each Lender's Pro Rata Share (and Schedule II shall be deemed amended to reflect such amendments to each Lender's Elected Commitment and the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount).

(viii) Upon any redetermination or other adjustment in the Borrowing Base pursuant to this Agreement that would otherwise result in the Borrowing Base becoming less than the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount, the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount shall be automatically reduced (ratably among the Lenders in accordance with each Lender's Pro Rata Share) so that the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount equals such redetermined Borrowing Base (and Schedule II shall be deemed amended to reflect such amendments to each Lender's Elected Commitment and the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount).

(ix) If (A) the Borrower elects to increase the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount, (B) the Borrower seeks to achieve the increase in the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount by increasing the Elected Commitment of all existing Lenders and (C) each Lender has consented to such increase in its Elected Commitment, then the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount shall be increased (ratably among the Lenders in accordance with each Lender's Pro Rata Share) by the amount requested by the Borrower (subject to the limitations set forth in Section 2.7(d)(ii)(A)) without the requirement that any Lender deliver an Elected Commitment Increase Certificate, and Schedule II shall be deemed amended to reflect such amendments to each Lender's Elected Commitment and the Aggregate Elected Commitment Amount. The Administrative Agent shall record the information regarding such increases in the Register required to be maintained by the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 10.4(c).

Section 2.8. Repayment of Loans. The outstanding principal amount of all Loans shall be due and payable (together with accrued and unpaid interest thereon) on the Commitment Termination Date.

Section 2.9. Evidence of Indebtedness.

(a) Each Lender shall maintain in accordance with its usual practice appropriate records evidencing the Indebtedness of the Borrower to such Lender resulting from each Loan made

by such Lender from time to time, including the amounts of principal and interest payable thereon and paid to such Lender from time to time under this Agreement. The Administrative Agent shall maintain appropriate records in which shall be recorded (i) the Commitment and Maximum Commitment of each Lender, (ii) the amount of each Loan made hereunder by each Lender, the Type thereof and, in the case of each Term SOFR Loan, the Interest Period applicable thereto, (iii) the date of any continuation of any Loan pursuant to Section 2.6, (iv) the date of any conversion of all or a portion of any Loan to another Type pursuant to Section 2.6, (v) the date and amount of any principal or interest due and payable or to become due and payable from the Borrower to each Lender hereunder in respect of the Loans and (vi) both the date and amount of any sum received by the Administrative Agent hereunder from the Borrower in respect of the Loans and each Lender's Pro Rata Share thereof. The entries made in such records shall be *prima facie* evidence of the existence and amounts of the obligations of the Borrower therein recorded; *provided* that the failure or delay of any Lender or the Administrative Agent in maintaining or making entries into any such record or any error therein shall not in any manner affect the obligation of the Borrower to repay the Loans (both principal and unpaid accrued interest) of such Lender in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

(b) This Agreement evidences the obligation of the Borrower to repay the Loans and is being executed as a "noteless" credit agreement. However, at the request of any Lender at any time, the Borrower agrees that it will prepare, execute and deliver to such Lender a promissory note payable to the order of such Lender (or, if requested by such Lender, to such Lender and its registered assigns) and in a form approved by the Administrative Agent. Thereafter, the Loans evidenced by such promissory note and interest thereon shall at all times (including after assignment permitted hereunder) be represented by one (1) or more promissory notes in such form payable to the order of the payee named therein (or, if such promissory note is a registered note, to such payee and its registered assigns).

Section 2.10. Optional Prepayments. The Borrower shall have the right at any time and from time to time to prepay any Borrowing, in whole or in part, without premium or penalty, by giving written notice (or telephonic notice promptly confirmed in writing) to the Administrative Agent no later than (i) in the case of any prepayment of any Term SOFR Borrowing, 11:00 a.m. not less than three (3) U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to the date of such prepayment, and (ii) in the case of any prepayment of any Base Rate Borrowing, not less than one (1) Business Day prior to the date of such prepayment. Each such notice shall be irrevocable and shall specify the proposed date of such prepayment and the principal amount of each Borrowing or portion thereof to be prepaid. Any prepayment of Term SOFR Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$5,000,000 or a whole multiple of \$1,000,000 in excess thereof, and any prepayment of Base Rate Loans shall be in a principal amount of \$500,000 or a whole multiple of \$100,000 in excess thereof or, in each case, if less, the entire principal amount thereof then outstanding. Upon receipt of any such notice, the Administrative Agent shall promptly notify each affected Lender of the contents thereof and of such Lender's Pro Rata Share of any such prepayment. If such notice is given, the aggregate amount specified in such notice shall be due and payable on the date designated in such notice, together with, in the case of any prepayment of any Term SOFR Borrowing, accrued interest to such date on the amount so prepaid in accordance with Section 2.12(c); *provided* that if a Term SOFR Borrowing is prepaid on a date other than the last day of an Interest Period applicable thereto, the Borrower shall also pay all amounts required pursuant to Section 2.18. Each partial prepayment of any Loan shall be in an amount that would be permitted in the case of an advance of a Borrowing of the same Type pursuant to Section 2.2. Each prepayment of a Borrowing shall be applied ratably to the Loans comprising such Borrowing.

Section 2.11. Mandatory Prepayments.

(a) Upon any redetermination of or any other adjustment to the amount of the Borrowing Base in accordance with Section 2.4 (other than in accordance with Section 2.4(e)) or otherwise pursuant to this Agreement, if a Borrowing Base Deficiency exists, then the Borrower shall: (i) at its election (A) prepay the Loans in an aggregate principal amount equal to such Borrowing Base Deficiency, (B) execute documentation reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent to create a first priority perfected Lien in additional Oil and Gas Properties with value and quality satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Required Lenders in their sole discretion not currently subject to a mortgage Lien in favor of the Administrative Agent pursuant to the Collateral Documents of equal or greater value to such Borrowing Base Deficiency, (C) prepay the Loans in five (5) equal monthly installments each equal to one-fifth (1/5) of such Borrowing Base Deficiency, the first of which shall be due on the thirtieth (30th) day following its receipt of the New Borrowing Base Notice in accordance with Section 2.4(d) or the date the adjustment occurs; or (D) exercise any combination of the foregoing and (ii) if any Borrowing Base Deficiency remains after prepaying all of the Loans as a result of an LC Exposure, pay to the Administrative Agent on behalf of the Lenders an amount equal to such Borrowing Base Deficiency to be held as cash collateral as provided in Section 2.21(g). The Borrower shall be obligated to (1) within ten (10) days following its receipt of the New Borrowing Base Notice in accordance with Section 2.4(d) or the date the adjustment occurs, give written notice to the Administrative Agent of its election to cure such Borrowing Base Deficiency pursuant to the applicable subclause (A) – (D) of Section 2.11(a)(i) and (2) make such prepayment, execute such documentation, make all such installment payments and/or deposit of cash collateral on the date which is thirty (30) days (with regards to clauses (i)(A) and (i)(B) of the immediately preceding sentence) or on the date which is one hundred fifty (150) days (with regards to clauses (i)(C) and (i)(D) in the immediately preceding sentence) following its receipt of the New Borrowing Base Notice in accordance with Section 2.4(d) or the date the adjustment occurs; *provided* that all payments required to be made pursuant to this Section 2.11(a) must be made on or prior to the Commitment Termination Date.

(b) Upon each automatic reduction of the Borrowing Base under Section 2.4(e) from the occurrence of a Triggering Event, if a Borrowing Base Deficiency then exists or results therefrom, then, on the date of such reduction, Borrower shall prepay the Loans in an aggregate principal amount equal to such Borrowing Base Deficiency, and if any Borrowing Base Deficiency remains after prepaying all of the Loans as a result of an LC Exposure, pay to the Administrative Agent on behalf of the Lenders an amount equal to such Borrowing Base Deficiency to be held as cash collateral as provided in Section 2.21(g).

(c) Any prepayments made by the Borrower pursuant to subsection (a) or (b) of this Section shall be applied as follows: first, to the Administrative Agent's fees and reimbursable expenses then due and payable pursuant to any of the Loan Documents; second, to all reimbursable expenses of the Lenders and all fees and reimbursable expenses of the Issuing Banks then due and payable pursuant to any of the Loan Documents, *pro rata* to the Lenders and the Issuing Banks based on their respective *pro rata* shares of such fees and expenses; third, to interest and fees then due and payable hereunder, *pro rata* to the Lenders based on their respective *pro rata* shares of such interest and fees; fourth, to the principal balance of the Loans, until the same shall have been paid in full, *pro rata* to the Lenders based on their respective Commitments; and fifth, to Cash Collateralize the Letters of Credit in an amount in cash equal to the LC Exposure as of such date *plus* any accrued and unpaid fees thereon.

(d) If the Consolidated Cash Balance exceeds the Consolidated Cash Balance Limit for ten (10) consecutive Business Days (the amount of such excess on such tenth (10th) Business

Day being “Excess Cash”), then the Borrower shall, on such tenth (10th) Business Day, prepay the Loans (other than any Letters of Credit) in an amount not less than the Excess Cash. Any prepayments made by the Borrower pursuant to this Section 2.11(d) shall be without premium, minimum payment amount or penalty and shall be applied to the principal balance of any Borrowing specified by the Borrower.

Section 2.12. Interest on Loans.

(a) The Borrower shall pay interest on (i) each Base Rate Loan at the Base Rate *plus* the Applicable Margin in effect from time to time and (ii) each Term SOFR Loan at Term SOFR for the applicable Interest Period in effect for such Loan *plus* the Applicable Margin in effect from time to time.

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this Section, at the option of the Required Lenders if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, and automatically after acceleration or with respect to any past due amount hereunder, the Borrower shall pay interest (“Default Interest”) with respect to all Term SOFR Loans at the rate *per annum* equal to 200 basis points above the otherwise applicable interest rate for such Term SOFR Loans for the then-current Interest Period until the last day of such Interest Period, and thereafter, and with respect to all Base Rate Loans and all other Obligations hereunder (other than Loans), at the rate *per annum* equal to 200 basis points above the otherwise applicable interest rate for Base Rate Loans.

(c) Interest on the principal amount of all Loans shall accrue from and including the date such Loans are made to but excluding the date of any repayment thereof. Interest on each Loan shall be due and payable in arrears on each Interest Payment Date applicable thereto and at such other times as may be specified herein. Interest on any Term SOFR Loan which is converted into a Base Rate Loan or which is repaid or prepaid shall be payable on the date of such conversion or on the date of any such repayment or prepayment (on the amount repaid or prepaid) thereof. Interest hereunder shall be due and payable in accordance with the terms hereof before and after judgment, and before and after the commencement of any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law. All Default Interest shall be payable on demand.

(d) The Administrative Agent shall determine each interest rate applicable to the Loans hereunder and shall promptly notify the Borrower and the Lenders of such rate in writing (or by telephone, promptly confirmed in writing). Any such determination shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes, absent manifest error.

(e) With respect to SOFR or Term SOFR, the Administrative Agent will have the right to make Conforming Changes from time to time and, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Loan Document, any amendments implementing such Conforming Changes will become effective without any further action or consent of any other party to this Agreement or any other Loan Document; *provided* that, with respect to any such amendment effected, the Administrative Agent shall post each such amendment implementing such Conforming Changes to the Borrower and the Lenders reasonably promptly after such amendment becomes effective.

Section 2.13. Fees.

(a) The Borrower shall pay to the Administrative Agent for its own account fees in the amounts and at the times previously agreed upon in writing by the Borrower and the Administrative Agent.

(b) The Borrower agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Lender an unused commitment fee, which shall accrue at the Applicable Percentage *per annum* (determined daily in accordance with Schedule I) on the daily amount of the unused Commitment of such Lender during the Availability Period. For purposes of computing the unused commitment fee, the Commitment of each Lender shall be deemed used to the extent of the outstanding Loans and LC Exposure of such Lender.

(c) The Borrower agrees to pay (i) to the Administrative Agent, for the account of each Lender, a letter of credit fee with respect to its participation in each Letter of Credit, which shall accrue at a rate *per annum* equal to the Applicable Margin for Term SOFR Loans then in effect on the daily amount of such Lender's LC Exposure attributable to such Letter of Credit during the period from and including the Closing Date to and including the later of the Commitment Termination Date and the date on which such Lender ceases to have any LC Exposure (including, without limitation, any LC Exposure that remains outstanding after the Commitment Termination Date) and (ii) to the applicable Issuing Bank for its own account a fronting fee, which shall accrue at one hundred twenty-five thousandths percent (0.125%) *per annum* on the daily amount of the LC Exposure of such Issuing Bank (excluding any portion thereof attributable to unreimbursed LC Disbursements) during the period from and including the Closing Date to and including the later of the Commitment Termination Date and the date on which such Issuing Bank ceases to have any obligations (contingent or otherwise) to make any LC Disbursement in respect of any Letter of Credit, as well as such Issuing Bank's standard fees with respect to issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit or processing of drawings thereunder. For purposes of computing the daily amount available to be drawn under any Letter of Credit, the amount of such Letter of Credit shall be determined in accordance with Section 1.8. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Required Lenders elect to increase the interest rate on the Loans to the rate for Default Interest pursuant to Section 2.12(b), the rate *per annum* used to calculate the letter of credit fee pursuant to clause (i) above shall automatically be increased by 200 basis points.

(d) Accrued fees under subsections (b) and (c) of this Section 2.13 shall be payable quarterly in arrears on the last Business Day of each March, June, September and December, commencing on June 30, 2025, and on the Commitment Termination Date (and, if later, the date the Loans and LC Exposure shall be repaid in their entirety); *provided* that any such fees accruing after the Commitment Termination Date shall be payable on demand.

Section 2.14. Computation of Interest and Fees. Interest hereunder based on the Administrative Agent's Base Rate shall be computed on the basis of a year of three hundred sixty-five (365) days (or three hundred sixty-six (366) days in a leap year) and paid for the actual number of days elapsed (including the first (1st) day but excluding the last day). All other interest and all fees hereunder shall be computed on the basis of a year of three hundred sixty (360) days and paid for the actual number of days elapsed (including the first (1st) day but excluding the last day). Each determination by the Administrative Agent of an interest rate or fee hereunder shall be made in good faith and, except for manifest error, shall be final, conclusive and binding for all purposes.

Section 2.15. Inability to Determine Rates; Replacement of Term SOFR or Successor Rate.

(a) Inability to Determine SOFR. If in connection with any request for a Term SOFR Loan or a conversion of Base Rate Loans to Term SOFR Loans or a continuation of any of such Loans, as applicable, (i) the Administrative Agent determines (which determination shall be conclusive absent manifest error) that (A) no Successor Rate has been determined in accordance with Section 2.15(b), and the circumstances under clause (i) of Section 2.15(b) or the Scheduled Unavailability Date has occurred, or (B) adequate and reasonable means do not otherwise exist for

determining Term SOFR for any requested Interest Period with respect to a proposed Term SOFR Loan or in connection with an existing or proposed Base Rate Loan, or (ii) the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders determine that for any reason that Term SOFR for any requested Interest Period with respect to a proposed Loan does not adequately and fairly reflect the cost to such Lenders of funding such Loan, the Administrative Agent will promptly so notify the Borrower and each Lender.

Thereafter, (x) the obligation of the Lenders to make or maintain Term SOFR Loans, or to convert Base Rate Loans to Term SOFR Loans, shall be suspended (to the extent of the affected Term SOFR Loans or Interest Periods), and (y) in the event of a determination described in the preceding sentence with respect to the Term SOFR component of the Base Rate, the utilization of the Term SOFR component in determining the Base Rate shall be suspended, in each case until the Administrative Agent (or, in the case of a determination by the Required Lenders described in clause (ii) of this Section 2.15(a), until the Administrative Agent upon instruction of the Required Lenders) revokes such notice.

Upon receipt of such notice, (i) the Borrower may revoke any pending request for a Borrowing of, or conversion to, or continuation of Term SOFR Loans (to the extent of the affected Term SOFR Loans or Interest Periods) or, failing that, will be deemed to have converted such request into a request for a Borrowing of Base Rate Loans in the amount specified therein and (ii) any outstanding Term SOFR Loans shall be deemed to have been converted to Base Rate Loans immediately at the end of their respective applicable Interest Period.

(b) Replacement of Term SOFR or Successor Rate. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement or any other Loan Documents, if the Administrative Agent determines (which determination shall be conclusive absent manifest error), or the Borrower or Required Lenders notify the Administrative Agent (with, in the case of the Required Lenders, a copy to the Borrower) that the Borrower or Required Lenders (as applicable) have determined, that:

(i) adequate and reasonable means do not exist for ascertaining one month, three month and six month interest periods of Term SOFR, including, without limitation, because the Term SOFR Screen Rate is not available or published on a current basis and such circumstances are unlikely to be temporary; or

(ii) CME or any successor administrator of the Term SOFR Screen Rate or a Governmental Authority having jurisdiction over the Administrative Agent or such administrator with respect to its publication of Term SOFR, in each case acting in such capacity, has made a public statement identifying a specific date after which one month, three month and six month interest periods of Term SOFR or the Term SOFR Screen Rate shall or will no longer be representative or made available, or permitted to be used for determining the interest rate of U.S. dollar denominated syndicated loans, or shall or will otherwise cease, *provided* that, at the time of such statement, there is no successor administrator that is satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, that will continue to provide such representative interest periods of Term SOFR after such specific date (the latest date on which one month, three month and six month interest periods of Term SOFR or the Term SOFR Screen Rate are no longer representative or available permanently or indefinitely, the “Scheduled Unavailability Date”);

then on a date and time determined by the Administrative Agent (any such date, the “Term SOFR Replacement Date”), which date shall be at the end of an Interest Period or on the relevant interest payment date, as applicable, for interest calculated and, solely with respect to clause (ii) above, no later than the Scheduled Unavailability Date, Term SOFR will be replaced hereunder and under

any Loan Document with Daily Simple SOFR *plus* the SOFR Adjustment for any payment period for interest calculated that can be determined by the Administrative Agent, in each case, without any amendment to, or further action or consent of any other party to, this Agreement or any other Loan Document (the “Successor Rate”).

If the Successor Rate is Daily Simple SOFR plus the SOFR Adjustment, all interest payments will be payable on a monthly basis.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, (i) if the Administrative Agent determines that Daily Simple SOFR is not available on or prior to the Term SOFR Replacement Date, or (ii) if the events or circumstances of the type described in Section 2.15(b)(i) or (ii) have occurred with respect to the Successor Rate then in effect, then in each case, the Administrative Agent and the Borrower may amend this Agreement solely for the purpose of replacing Term SOFR or any then current Successor Rate in accordance with this Section 2.15 at the end of any Interest Period, relevant interest payment date or payment period for interest calculated, as applicable, with an alternative benchmark rate giving due consideration to any evolving or then existing convention for similar U.S. dollar denominated credit facilities syndicated and agented in the United States for such alternative benchmark and, in each case, including any mathematical or other adjustments to such benchmark giving due consideration to any evolving or then existing convention for similar U.S. dollar denominated credit facilities syndicated and agented in the United States for such benchmark. For the avoidance of doubt, any such proposed rate and adjustments, shall constitute a “Successor Rate”. Any such amendment shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. on the fifth Business Day after the Administrative Agent shall have posted such proposed amendment to all Lenders and the Borrower unless, prior to such time, Lenders comprising the Required Lenders have delivered to the Administrative Agent written notice that such Required Lenders object to such amendment.

The Administrative Agent will promptly (in one or more notices) notify the Borrower and each Lender of the implementation of any Successor Rate.

Any Successor Rate shall be applied in a manner consistent with market practice; *provided* that to the extent such market practice is not administratively feasible for the Administrative Agent, such Successor Rate shall be applied in a manner as otherwise reasonably determined by the Administrative Agent.

Notwithstanding anything else herein, if at any time any Successor Rate as so determined would otherwise be less than zero percent (0%), the Successor Rate will be deemed to be zero percent (0%) for the purposes of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents.

In connection with the implementation of a Successor Rate, the Administrative Agent will have the right to make Conforming Changes from time to time and, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Loan Document, any amendments implementing such Conforming Changes will become effective without any further action or consent of any other party to this Agreement; *provided* that, with respect to any such amendment effected, the Administrative Agent shall post each such amendment implementing such Conforming Changes to the Borrower and the Lenders reasonably promptly after such amendment becomes effective.

Section 2.16. Illegality. If any Change in Law shall make it unlawful or impossible for any Lender to perform any of its obligations hereunder, to make, maintain or fund any Term SOFR Loan or to determine or charge interest rates based upon SOFR, the Term SOFR Screen Rate or Term SOFR and such Lender shall so notify the Administrative Agent, the Administrative Agent shall promptly give notice thereof to the Borrower and the other Lenders, whereupon until such Lender notifies the Administrative Agent and the Borrower that the circumstances giving rise to such suspension no longer exist, (i) the obligation of such Lender to make Term SOFR Loans, or to continue or convert outstanding Loans as or

into Term SOFR Loans, shall be suspended and (ii) the Base Rate shall, if necessary to avoid such illegality, be determined by the Administrative Agent without reference to clause (c) thereof. In the case of the making of a Term SOFR Borrowing, such Lender's Loan shall be made as a Base Rate Loan as part of the same Borrowing for the same Interest Period and, if the affected Term SOFR Loan is then outstanding, such Loan shall be converted to a Base Rate Loan either (i) on the last day of the then current Interest Period applicable to such Term SOFR Loan if such Lender may lawfully continue to maintain such Loan to such date or (ii) immediately if such Lender shall determine that it may not lawfully continue to maintain such Term SOFR Loan to such date (and in each instance the Base Rate shall, if necessary to avoid such illegality, be determined by the Administrative Agent without reference to clause (c) thereof). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the affected Lender shall, prior to giving such notice to the Administrative Agent, use reasonable efforts to designate a different Applicable Lending Office if such designation would avoid the need for giving such notice and if such designation would not otherwise be disadvantageous to such Lender in the good faith exercise of its discretion. Upon any such prepayment or conversion, the Borrower shall also pay accrued interest on the amount so prepaid or converted, together with any additional amounts required pursuant to Section 2.18.

Section 2.17. Increased Costs.

(a) If any Change in Law shall:

(i) impose, modify or deem applicable any reserve (including pursuant to regulations issued from time to time by the Federal Reserve Board for determining the maximum reserve requirement (including any emergency, special, supplemental or other marginal reserve requirement) with respect to eurocurrency funding (currently referred to as "Eurocurrency liabilities" in Regulation D)), special deposit, compulsory loan, insurance charge or similar requirement against assets of, deposits with or for the account of, or credit extended or participated in by, any Lender or any Issuing Bank; or

(ii) subject any Recipient to any Taxes (other than (A) Indemnified Taxes, (B) Taxes described in clauses (b) through (d) of the definition of Excluded Taxes and (C) Connection Income Taxes) on its loans, loan principal, letters of credit, commitments, or other obligations, or its deposits, reserves, other liabilities or capital attributable thereto; or

(iii) impose on any Lender or any Issuing Bank any other condition, cost or expense (other than Taxes) affecting this Agreement or Loans made by such Lender or any Letter of Credit or any participation in any such Loan or Letter of Credit;

and the result of any of the foregoing is to increase the cost to such Lender of making, converting into, continuing or maintaining any Term SOFR Loan or of maintaining its obligation to make any such Loan or to increase the cost to such Lender or such Issuing Bank of participating in, issuing or maintaining any Letter of Credit (or of maintaining its obligation with respect to Letters of Credit) or to reduce the amount received or receivable by such Lender or Issuing Bank hereunder (whether of principal, interest or any other amount), then, from time to time, such Lender or Issuing Bank may provide the Borrower (with a copy thereof to the Administrative Agent) with written notice and demand with respect to such increased costs or reduced amounts, and within five (5) Business Days after receipt of such notice and demand the Borrower shall pay to such Lender or Issuing Bank, as the case may be, such additional amounts as will compensate such Lender or Issuing Bank for any such additional or increased costs incurred or reduction suffered.

(b) If any Lender or Issuing Bank shall have determined that on or after the date of this Agreement any Change in Law regarding capital or liquidity requirements 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 the Parent Company of such Lender or Issuing Bank) as a consequence of its obligations hereunder or under or in respect of any Letter of Credit to a level below that which such Lender, Issuing Bank or Parent Company could have achieved but for such Change in Law (taking into consideration such Lender's or Issuing Bank's policies or the policies of such Parent Company with respect to capital adequacy and liquidity), then, from time to time, such Lender or Issuing Bank may provide the Borrower (with a copy thereof to the Administrative Agent) with written notice and demand with respect to such reduced amounts, and within five (5) Business Days after receipt of such notice and demand the Borrower shall pay to such Lender or Issuing Bank, as the case may be, such additional amounts as will compensate such Lender, Issuing Bank or such Parent Company for any such reduction suffered.

(c) A certificate of such Lender or Issuing Bank setting forth the amount or amounts necessary to compensate such Lender, Issuing Bank or the Parent Company of such Lender or Issuing Bank, as the case may be, specified in subsection (a) or (b) of this Section shall be delivered to the Borrower (with a copy to the Administrative Agent) and shall be conclusive, absent manifest error.

(d) Failure or delay on the part of any Lender or Issuing Bank to demand compensation pursuant to this Section shall not constitute a waiver of such Lender's or Issuing Bank's right to demand such compensation.

Section 2.18. Funding Indemnity. In the event of (a) the payment of any principal of a Term SOFR Loan other than on the last day of the Interest Period applicable thereto (including as a result of an Event of Default), (b) the conversion or continuation of a Term SOFR Loan other than on the last day of the Interest Period applicable thereto, or (c) the failure by the Borrower to borrow, prepay, convert or continue any Term SOFR Loan on the date specified in any applicable notice (regardless of whether such notice is withdrawn or revoked), then, in any such event, the Borrower shall compensate each Lender, within five (5) Business Days after written demand from such Lender, for any loss, cost or expense attributable to such event. In the case of a Term SOFR Loan, such loss, cost or expense shall be deemed to include an amount determined by such Lender to be the excess, if any, of (A) the amount of interest that would have accrued on the principal amount of such Term SOFR Loan if such event had not occurred at Term SOFR applicable to such Term SOFR Loan for the period from the date of such event to the last day of the then current Interest Period therefor (or, in the case of a failure to borrow, convert or continue, for the period that would have been the Interest Period for such Term SOFR Loan) over (B) the amount of interest that would accrue on the principal amount of such Term SOFR Loan for the same period if Term SOFR were set on the date such Term SOFR Loan was prepaid or converted or the date on which the Borrower failed to borrow, convert or continue such Term SOFR Loan. A certificate as to any additional amount payable under this Section submitted to the Borrower by any Lender (with a copy to the Administrative Agent) shall be conclusive, absent manifest error.

Section 2.19. Taxes.

(a) **Defined Terms.** For purposes of this Section 2.19, the term "Lender" includes each Issuing Bank and the term "applicable law" includes FATCA.

(b) **Payments Free of Taxes.** Any and all payments by or on account of any obligation of any Loan Party under any Loan Document shall be made without deduction or withholding for any Taxes, except as required by applicable law. If any applicable law (as determined in the good faith discretion of an applicable Withholding Agent) requires the deduction or withholding of any Tax from any such payment by a Withholding Agent, then the applicable Withholding Agent shall be entitled to make such deduction or withholding and shall timely pay the full amount deducted

or withheld to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with applicable law and, if such Tax is an Indemnified Tax, then the sum payable by the applicable Loan Party shall be increased as necessary so that after such deduction or withholding has been made (including such deductions and withholdings applicable to additional sums payable under this Section 2.19) the applicable Recipient receives an amount equal to the sum it would have received had no such deduction or withholding been made.

(c) Payment of Other Taxes by the Borrower. The Borrower shall timely pay to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with applicable law, or at the option of the Administrative Agent timely reimburse it for the payment of, any Other Taxes.

(d) Indemnification by the Borrower. The Borrower shall indemnify each Recipient, within ten (10) days after demand therefor, for the full amount of any Indemnified Taxes (including Indemnified Taxes imposed or asserted on or attributable to amounts payable under this Section) payable or paid by such Recipient or required to be withheld or deducted from a payment to such Recipient and any reasonable expenses arising therefrom or with respect thereto, whether or not such Indemnified Taxes were correctly or legally imposed or asserted by the relevant Governmental Authority. A certificate as to the amount of such payment or liability delivered to the Borrower by a Lender (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), or by the Administrative Agent on its own behalf or on behalf of a Lender, shall be conclusive absent manifest error.

(e) Indemnification by the Lenders. Each Lender shall severally indemnify the Administrative Agent, within ten (10) days after demand therefor, for (i) any Indemnified Taxes attributable to such Lender (but only to the extent that the Borrower has not already indemnified the Administrative Agent for such Indemnified Taxes and without limiting the obligation of the Borrower to do so), (ii) any Taxes attributable to such Lender's failure to comply with the provisions of Section 10.4(d) relating to the maintenance of a Participant Register and (iii) any Excluded Taxes attributable to such Lender, in each case, that are payable or paid by the Administrative Agent in connection with any Loan Document, and any reasonable expenses arising therefrom or with respect thereto, whether or not such Taxes were correctly or legally imposed or asserted by the relevant Governmental Authority. A certificate as to the amount of such payment or liability delivered to any Lender by the Administrative Agent shall be conclusive absent manifest error. Each Lender hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to set off and apply any and all amounts at any time owing to such Lender under any Loan Document or otherwise payable by the Administrative Agent to the Lender from any other source against any amount due to the Administrative Agent under this subsection (e).

(f) Evidence of Payments. As soon as practicable after any payment of Taxes by the Borrower or any other Loan Party to a Governmental Authority pursuant to this Section 2.19, the Borrower or other Loan Party shall deliver to the Administrative Agent the original or a certified copy of a receipt issued by such Governmental Authority evidencing such payment, a copy of the return reporting such payment or other evidence of such payment reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

(g) Status of Lenders.

(i) Any Lender that is entitled to an exemption from or reduction of withholding Tax with respect to payments made under any Loan Document shall deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, at the time or times reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent, such properly completed and executed documentation reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent as will permit such payments to be made without withholding or at a reduced rate of withholding. In addition, any Lender, if reasonably

requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent, shall deliver such other documentation prescribed by applicable law or reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent as will enable the Borrower or the Administrative Agent to determine whether or not such Lender is subject to backup withholding or information reporting requirements. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the preceding two (2) sentences, the completion, execution and submission of such documentation (other than such documentation set forth in Section 2.19(g)(ii)(A), Section 2.19(g)(ii)(B) and Section 2.19(g)(ii)(D) below) shall not be required if in the Lender's reasonable judgment such completion, execution or submission would subject such Lender to any material unreimbursed cost or expense or would materially prejudice the legal or commercial position of such Lender.

(ii) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing,

(A) any Lender that is a U.S. Person shall deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent on or prior to the date on which such Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of the Borrower or the Administrative Agent), executed originals of IRS Form W-9 certifying that such Lender is exempt from U.S. federal backup withholding tax;

(B) any Foreign Lender shall, to the extent it is legally entitled to do so, deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent (in such number of copies as shall be requested by the recipient) on or prior to the date on which such Foreign Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of the Borrower or the Administrative Agent), whichever of the following is applicable:

(i) in the case of a Foreign Lender claiming the benefits of an income tax treaty to which the United States is a party (x) with respect to payments of interest under any Loan Document, executed originals of IRS Form W-8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E establishing an exemption from, or reduction of, U.S. federal withholding Tax pursuant to the "interest" article of such tax treaty and (y) with respect to any other applicable payments under any Loan Document, IRS Form W-8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E establishing an exemption from, or reduction of, U.S. federal withholding Tax pursuant to the "business profits" or "other income" article of such tax treaty;

(ii) executed originals of IRS Form W-8ECI;

(iii) in the case of a Foreign Lender claiming the benefits of the exemption for portfolio interest under Section 881(c) of the Code, (x) a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit 2.19A to the effect that such Foreign Lender is not a "bank" within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code, a "10 percent shareholder" of the Borrower within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(B) of the Code, or a "controlled foreign corporation" described in Section 881(c)(3)(C) of the Code (a "U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate") and (y) executed originals of IRS Form W-8BEN; or

(iv) to the extent a Foreign Lender is not the beneficial owner, executed originals of IRS Form W-8IMY, accompanied by IRS Form W-8ECI, IRS Form W-8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E, a U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit 2.19B or Exhibit 2.19C, IRS Form W-9, and/or other certification documents from each beneficial owner, as applicable; *provided* that if the Foreign Lender is a partnership and one (1) or more direct or indirect

partners of such Foreign Lender are claiming the portfolio interest exemption, such Foreign Lender may provide a U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit 2.19D on behalf of each such direct and indirect partner;

(C) any Foreign Lender shall, to the extent it is legally entitled to do so, deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent (in such number of copies as shall be requested by the recipient) on or prior to the date on which such Foreign Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of the Borrower or the Administrative Agent), executed originals of 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

(D) if a payment made to a Lender under any Loan Document would be subject to U.S. federal withholding Tax imposed by FATCA if such Lender were to fail to comply with the applicable reporting requirements of FATCA (including those contained in Section 1471(b) or 1472(b) of the Code, as applicable), such Lender shall deliver to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent at the time or times prescribed by 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 and to determine that such Lender has complied with such Lender's obligations under FATCA or to determine the amount to deduct and withhold from such payment. Solely for purposes of this Section 2.19(g)(ii)(D), "FATCA" shall include any amendments made to FATCA after the date of this Agreement.

Each Lender agrees that if any form or certification it previously delivered expires or becomes obsolete or inaccurate in any respect, it shall update such form or certification or promptly notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent in writing of its legal inability to do so.

(h) Treatment of Certain Refunds. Unless required by applicable laws, at no time shall the Administrative Agent have any obligation to file for or otherwise pursue on behalf of a Lender or an Issuing Bank, or have any obligation to pay to any Lender or any Issuing Bank, any refund of Taxes withheld or deducted from funds paid for the account of such Lender or such Issuing Bank, as the case may be. If any party determines, in its sole discretion exercised in good faith, that it has received a refund of any Taxes as to which it has been indemnified pursuant to this Section 2.19 (including by the payment of additional amounts pursuant to this Section 2.19), it shall pay to the indemnifying party an amount equal to such refund (but only to the extent of indemnity payments made under this Section 2.19 with respect to the Taxes giving rise to such refund), net of all out-of-pocket expenses (including Taxes) of such indemnified party and without interest (other than any interest paid by the relevant Governmental Authority with respect to such refund). Such indemnifying party, upon the request of such indemnified party, shall repay to such indemnified party the amount paid over pursuant to this Section 2.19(h) (*plus* any penalties, interest or other charges imposed by the relevant Governmental Authority) in the event that such indemnified party is required to repay such refund to such Governmental Authority. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 2.19(h), in no event will the indemnified party be required to pay any amount to an indemnifying party pursuant to this Section 2.19(h) the payment of which would place the indemnified party in a less favorable net after-Tax position than the indemnified party would have been in if the Tax subject to indemnification and giving rise to such refund had not been

deducted, withheld or otherwise imposed and the indemnification payments or additional amounts with respect to such Tax had never been paid. This subsection shall not be construed to require any indemnified party to make available its Tax returns (or any other information relating to its Taxes that it deems confidential) to the indemnifying party or any other Person.

(i) Survival. Each party's obligations under this Section 2.19 shall survive the resignation or replacement of the Administrative Agent or any assignment of rights by, or the replacement of, a Lender, the termination of the Commitments and the repayment, satisfaction or discharge of all obligations under any Loan Document.

Section 2.20. Payments Generally; Pro Rata Treatment; Sharing of Set-offs.

(a) The Borrower shall make each payment required to be made by it hereunder (whether of principal, interest, fees or reimbursement of LC Disbursements, or of amounts payable under Section 2.17, Section 2.18 or Section 2.19, or otherwise) prior to 12:00 p.m. on the date when due, in immediately available funds, free and clear of and without condition or deduction for any defenses, rights of set-off, counterclaim, or withholding or deduction of taxes. 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 at the Payment Office, except payments to be made directly to an Issuing Bank as expressly provided herein and except that payments pursuant to Section 2.17, Section 2.18, Section 2.19 and Section 10.3 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. 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 made payable for the period of such extension. All payments hereunder shall be made in Dollars.

(b) If at any time insufficient funds are received by and available to the Administrative Agent to pay fully all amounts of principal, unreimbursed LC Disbursements, interest and fees then due hereunder, such funds shall be applied as follows: first, to all fees and reimbursable expenses of the Administrative Agent then due and payable pursuant to any of the Loan Documents; second, to all reimbursable expenses of the Lenders and all fees and reimbursable expenses of the Issuing Banks then due and payable pursuant to any of the Loan Documents, *pro rata* to the Lenders and the Issuing Banks based on their respective *pro rata* shares of such fees and expenses; third, to all interest and fees then due and payable hereunder, *pro rata* to the Lenders based on their respective *pro rata* shares of such interest and fees; and fourth, to all principal of the Loans and unreimbursed LC Disbursements then due and payable hereunder, *pro rata* to the parties entitled thereto based on their respective *pro rata* shares of such principal and unreimbursed LC Disbursements.

(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 Loans or participations in LC Disbursements that would result in such Lender receiving payment of a greater proportion of the aggregate amount of its Credit Exposure and accrued interest and fees thereon than the proportion received by any other Lender with respect to its Credit Exposure, then the Lender receiving such greater proportion shall purchase (for cash at face value) participations in the Credit Exposure of other Lenders to the extent necessary so that the benefit of all such payments shall be shared by the Lenders ratably in accordance with the aggregate amount of principal of and accrued interest on their respective Credit Exposure; *provided* that (i) if any such participations are purchased and all or any portion of the payment giving rise thereto is recovered, such participations shall be rescinded

and the purchase price restored to the extent of such recovery, without interest, and (ii) the provisions of this subsection 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 (including the application of funds arising from the existence of a Defaulting Lender) or any payment obtained by a Lender as consideration for the assignment of or sale of a participation in any of its Credit Exposure to any assignee or participant, other than to the Borrower or any Subsidiary or Affiliate thereof (as to which the provisions of this subsection shall apply). 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 Issuing Banks 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 Issuing Banks, as the case may be, the amount or amounts due. In such event, if the Borrower has not in fact made such payment, then each of the Lenders or the Issuing Banks, as the case may be, severally agrees to repay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand the amount so distributed to such Lender or the Issuing Banks 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 Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation. With respect to any payment that the Administrative Agent makes for the account of the Lenders as to which the Administrative Agent determines (which determination shall be conclusive absent manifest error) that any of the following applies (such payment referred to as the “Rescindable Amount”): (i) the Borrower has not in fact made such payment; (ii) the Administrative Agent has made a payment in excess of the amount so paid by the Borrower (whether or not then owed); or (iii) the Administrative agent has for any reason otherwise erroneously made such payment; then each of the Lenders severally agrees to repay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand the Rescindable Amount so distributed to such Lender, in immediately available funds with interest thereon, for each day from and including the date such amount is distributed to it to but excluding the date of payment to the Administrative Agent, at the greater of the Federal Funds Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation. A notice of the Administrative Agent to any Lender or the Borrower with respect to any amount owing under this subsection (d) shall be conclusive, absent manifest error.

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

(f) The obligations of the Lenders hereunder to make Loans, to fund participations in Letters of Credit and to make payments pursuant to Section 10.3(d) are several and not joint. The failure of any Lender to make any Loan, to fund any such participation or to make any payment under Section 10.3(d) on any date required hereunder shall not relieve any other Lender of its corresponding obligation to do so on such date, and no Lender shall be responsible for the failure

of any other Lender to so make its Loan, to purchase its participation or to make its payment under Section 10.3(d).

Section 2.21. Letters of Credit.

(a) General.

(i) During the Availability Period, each Issuing Bank, in reliance (among other things) upon the agreements of the other Lenders pursuant to subsections (d) and (e) of this Section, may, in its sole discretion, issue, at the request of the Borrower, Letters of Credit for the account of the Borrower or, subject to Section 2.21(m), any Subsidiary Loan Party (as specified by the Borrower in the request for such Letter of Credit) on the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth; *provided* that (1) each Letter of Credit shall expire on the earlier of (A) the date one (1) year after the date of issuance of such Letter of Credit (or, in the case of any extension of the expiration date thereof, whether automatic or by amendment, one (1) year after the then current expiration of such Letter of Credit) and (B) the date that is five (5) Business Days prior to the Commitment Termination Date; (2) each Letter of Credit shall be in a stated amount of at least \$5,000; and (3) the Borrower may not request the issuance, extension, reinstatement or other amendment of any Letter of Credit if, after giving effect to such issuance, extension, reinstatement or other amendment (A) the aggregate LC Exposure would exceed the LC Commitment or (B) the aggregate Credit Exposure of all Lenders would exceed the Aggregate Commitment Amount.

(ii) Each Lender shall be deemed to, and hereby irrevocably and unconditionally agrees to, purchase from the applicable Issuing Bank without recourse a participation in each Letter of Credit issued by such Issuing Bank equal to such Lender's Pro Rata Share of the aggregate amount available to be drawn under such Letter of Credit (i) on the Closing Date with respect to all Existing Letters of Credit and (ii) on the date of issuance. Each issuance of a Letter of Credit shall be deemed to utilize the Commitment of each Lender by an amount equal to the amount of such participation.

(iii) Additionally, an Issuing Bank shall not be under any obligation to issue any Letter of Credit if:

(A) 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, or request that such Issuing Bank refrain from, or any Law applicable to such Issuing Bank shall prohibit the issuance of letters of credit generally or such Letter of Credit in particular, any such order, judgment or decree, or Requirement of Law shall impose upon such Issuing Bank with respect to such Letter of Credit any restriction, reserve or capital or liquidity requirement (for which such Issuing Bank is not otherwise compensated hereunder) not in effect on the Closing Date, or shall impose upon such Issuing Bank any unreimbursed loss, cost or expense that was not applicable on the Closing Date and that such Issuing Bank in good faith deems material to it;

(B) the issuance of such Letter of Credit would violate one or more policies of such Issuing Bank applicable to letters of credit generally; or

(C) the proceeds of such Letter of Credit would be made available to any Person (x) to fund any activity or business of or with any Sanctioned Person or in any Sanctioned Countries, that, at the time of such funding, is the subject of any Sanctions or (y) in any manner that would result in a violation of any Sanctions by any party to this Agreement.

An Issuing Bank shall be under no obligation to issue any amendment to any Letter of Credit if such Issuing Bank would have no obligation at such time to issue the Letter of Credit in its amended form under the terms hereof.

(b) Requests for Issuance, Extension, Reinstatement or Other Amendment. To request the issuance of a Letter of Credit (or the amendment of the terms and conditions, extension of the terms and conditions, extension of the expiration date, or reinstatement of amounts paid, or renewal of an outstanding Letter of Credit), the Borrower shall deliver (or transmit by electronic communication, if arrangements for doing so have been approved by the applicable Issuing Bank) to the Issuing Bank and to the Administrative Agent irrevocable written notice at least three (3) Business Days prior to the proposed date of such issuance, extension, reinstatement or other amendment, and specifying the date (which shall be a Business Day) such Letter of Credit is to be issued (or amended, extended, reinstated or amended as the case may be), the expiration date of such Letter of Credit (which shall comply with Section 2.21(a)(i)), the amount of such Letter of Credit, the name and address of the beneficiary thereof, the purpose and nature of the requested Letter of Credit, whether such Letter of Credit shall be issued on the account of the Borrower or a Subsidiary Loan Party, and such other information as shall be necessary to prepare, extend, reinstate or otherwise amend such Letter of Credit. In addition to the satisfaction of the conditions in Article III, the issuance of such Letter of Credit (or any amendment which increases the amount of such Letter of Credit) will be subject to the further conditions that such Letter of Credit shall be in such form and contain such terms as the applicable Issuing Bank shall approve and that the Borrower and/or the applicable Subsidiary Loan Party shall have executed and delivered any additional applications, agreements and instruments relating to such Letter of Credit as such Issuing Bank shall reasonably require or request; *provided* that in the event of any inconsistency between the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the terms and conditions of any form of letter of credit application and reimbursement agreement or other agreement submitted by the Borrower and/or the applicable Subsidiary Loan Party to, or entered into by the Borrower and/or the applicable Subsidiary Loan Party with, an Issuing Bank relating to any Letter of Credit, the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall control.

(c) Process for Issuance. At least two (2) Business Days prior to the issuance of any Letter of Credit, the applicable Issuing Bank will confirm with the Administrative Agent (by telephone or in writing) that the Administrative Agent has received such notice, and, if not, such Issuing Bank will provide the Administrative Agent with a copy thereof. Unless the applicable Issuing Bank has received notice from the Administrative Agent, on or before the Business Day immediately preceding the date such Issuing Bank is to issue the requested Letter of Credit, directing such Issuing Bank not to issue the Letter of Credit because such issuance is not then permitted hereunder because of the limitations set forth in subsection (a) of this Section or that one (1) or more conditions specified in Article III are not then satisfied, then, subject to the terms and conditions hereof, such Issuing Bank shall, on the requested date, issue such Letter of Credit in accordance with such Issuing Bank's usual and customary business practices.

(d) Disbursement Procedures. Each Issuing Bank shall examine all documents purporting to represent a demand for payment under a Letter of Credit promptly following its receipt thereof. The applicable Issuing Bank shall notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent of such demand for payment and whether such Issuing Bank has made or will make a LC Disbursement thereunder; *provided* that such notice need not be given prior to payment by such Issuing Bank and 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 Lenders with respect to such LC Disbursement. The Borrower shall be irrevocably and unconditionally obligated to reimburse each Issuing Bank for any LC Disbursements paid by such Issuing Bank in respect of such drawing,

without presentment, demand or other formalities of any kind. Unless the Borrower shall have notified the applicable Issuing Bank and the Administrative Agent prior to 11:00 a.m. on the Business Day immediately prior to the date on which such drawing is honored that the Borrower intends to reimburse such Issuing Bank for the amount of such drawing in funds other than from the proceeds of Loans, the Borrower shall be deemed to have timely given a Notice of Borrowing to the Administrative Agent requesting the Lenders to make a Base Rate Borrowing on the date on which such drawing is honored in an exact amount due to such Issuing Bank; *provided* that for purposes solely of such Borrowing, the conditions precedent set forth in Section 3.2 shall not be applicable. The Administrative Agent shall notify the Lenders of such Borrowing in accordance with Section 2.3, and each Lender shall make the proceeds of its Base Rate Loan included in such Borrowing available to the Administrative Agent for the account of the applicable Issuing Bank in accordance with Section 2.5. The proceeds of such Borrowing shall be applied directly by the Administrative Agent to reimburse the applicable Issuing Bank for such LC Disbursement.

(e) Reimbursement by Lenders. If for any reason a Base Rate Borrowing may not be (as determined in the sole discretion of the Administrative Agent), or is not, made in accordance with the foregoing provisions, then each Lender (other than the applicable Issuing Bank) shall be obligated to fund the participation that such Lender purchased pursuant to subsection (a) of this Section in an amount equal to its Pro Rata Share of such LC Disbursement on and as of the date which such Base Rate Borrowing should have occurred. Each Lender's obligation to fund its participation shall be absolute and unconditional and shall not be affected by any circumstance, including, without limitation, (i) any set-off, counterclaim, recoupment, defense or other right that such Lender or any other Person may have against the applicable Issuing Bank or any other Person for any reason whatsoever, (ii) the existence of a Default or an Event of Default or the termination of the Aggregate Commitments, (iii) any adverse change in the condition (financial or otherwise) of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, (iv) any breach of this Agreement by the Borrower or any other Lender, (v) any amendment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit or (vi) any other circumstance, happening or event whatsoever, whether or not similar to any of the foregoing. On the date that such participation is required to be funded, each Lender shall promptly transfer, in immediately available funds, the amount of its participation to the Administrative Agent for the account of the applicable Issuing Bank. Whenever, at any time after an Issuing Bank has received from any such Lender the funds for its participation in a LC Disbursement, such Issuing Bank (or the Administrative Agent on its behalf) receives any payment on account thereof, the Administrative Agent or such Issuing Bank, as the case may be, will distribute to such Lender its Pro Rata Share of such payment; *provided* that if such payment is required to be returned for any reason to the Borrower or to a trustee, receiver, liquidator, custodian or similar official in any bankruptcy proceeding, such Lender will return to the Administrative Agent or the applicable Issuing Bank any portion thereof previously distributed by the Administrative Agent or such Issuing Bank to it.

(f) Interim Interest. To the extent that any Lender shall fail to pay any amount required to be paid pursuant to subsection (d) or (e) of this Section on the due date therefor, such Lender shall pay interest to the applicable Issuing Bank (through the Administrative Agent) on such amount from such due date to the date such payment is made at a rate *per annum* equal to the Federal Funds Rate; *provided* that if such Lender shall fail to make such payment to such Issuing Bank within three (3) Business Days of such due date, then, retroactively to the due date, such Lender shall be obligated to pay interest on such amount at the Base Rate.

(g) Cash Collateralization. If any Event of Default shall occur and be continuing, on the Business Day that the Borrower receives notice from the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders demanding that its reimbursement obligations with respect to the Letters of Credit be Cash

Collateralized pursuant to this subsection, the Borrower shall deposit in an account with the Administrative Agent, in the name of the Administrative Agent and for the benefit of the Issuing Banks and the Lenders, an amount in cash equal to one hundred five percent (105%) of the aggregate LC Exposure of all Lenders as of such date *plus* any accrued and unpaid fees thereon; *provided* that such obligation to Cash Collateralize the reimbursement obligations of the Borrower with respect to the Letters of Credit shall become effective immediately, and such deposit shall become immediately due and payable, without demand or notice of any kind, upon the occurrence of any Event of Default with respect to the Borrower described in Section 8.1(g) or (h). Such deposit shall be held by the Administrative Agent as collateral for the payment and performance of the obligations of the Borrower under this Agreement. The Administrative Agent shall have exclusive dominion and control, including the exclusive right of withdrawal, over such account. The Borrower agrees to execute any documents and/or certificates to effectuate the intent of this subsection. Other than any interest earned on the investment of such deposits, which investments shall be made at the option and sole discretion of the Administrative Agent and at the Borrower's risk and expense, such deposits shall not bear interest. Interest and profits, if any, on such investments shall accumulate in such account. Moneys in such account shall be applied by the Administrative Agent to reimburse the Issuing Banks for LC Disbursements for which it had 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 LC Exposure at such time or, if the maturity of the Loans has been accelerated, with the consent of the Required Lenders, be applied to satisfy other obligations of the Borrower under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents. If the Borrower is required to Cash Collateralize its reimbursement obligations with respect to the Letters of Credit as a result of the occurrence of an Event of Default, such cash collateral so posted (to the extent not so applied as aforesaid) shall be returned to the Borrower within three (3) Business Days after all Events of Default have been cured or waived.

(h) Letter of Credit Reports. Upon the request of any Lender, but no more frequently than quarterly, each Issuing Bank shall deliver (through the Administrative Agent) to each Lender and the Borrower a report describing the aggregate Letters of Credit issued by such Issuing Bank that are then outstanding. Upon the request of any Lender from time to time, the applicable Issuing Bank shall deliver to such Lender any other information reasonably requested by such Lender with respect to each Letter of Credit issued by such Issuing Bank then outstanding.

(i) Obligations Absolute. The Borrower's obligation to reimburse LC Disbursements hereunder shall be absolute, unconditional and irrevocable and shall be performed strictly in accordance with the terms of this Agreement under all circumstances whatsoever and irrespective of any of the following circumstances:

(i) any lack of validity or enforceability of any Letter of Credit or this Agreement;

(ii) the existence of any claim, set-off, defense or other right which the Borrower or any Subsidiary or Affiliate of the Borrower may have at any time against a beneficiary or any transferee of any Letter of Credit (or any Persons or entities for whom any such beneficiary or transferee may be acting), any Lender (including any Issuing Bank) or any other Person, whether in connection with this Agreement or the Letter of Credit or any document related hereto or thereto or any unrelated transaction;

(iii) 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;

(iv) payment by an Issuing Bank under a Letter of Credit against presentation of a draft or other document to such Issuing Bank that does not comply with the terms of such Letter of Credit;

(v) 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 set-off against, the Borrower's obligations hereunder; or

(vi) the existence of a Default or an Event of Default.

None of the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank, any Lender or any Related Party of any of the foregoing shall have any liability or responsibility by reason of or in connection with the issuance or transfer of any Letter of Credit by the respective Issuing Bank 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, document, notice or other communication under or relating to any Letter of Credit (including any document required to make a drawing thereunder), any error in interpretation of technical terms, any error in translation or any consequence arising from causes beyond the control of the respective Issuing Bank; *provided* that the foregoing shall not be construed to excuse an 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 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 an Issuing Bank (as finally determined by a court of competent jurisdiction), an Issuing Bank shall be deemed to have exercised care in each such determination, and that:

(i) an Issuing Bank may replace a purportedly lost, stolen, or destroyed original Letter of Credit or amendment thereto with a replacement marked as such or waive a requirement for its presentation;

(ii) an Issuing Bank may accept documents that appear on their face to be in substantial compliance with the terms and conditions of a Letter of Credit without responsibility for further investigation, regardless of any notice or information to the contrary, and may make payment upon presentation of documents that appear on their face to be in substantial compliance with the terms and conditions of such Letter of Credit (even if not in strict compliance with the terms and conditions of such Letter of Credit) and without regard to any non-documentary condition in such Letter of Credit;

(iii) an Issuing Bank shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to decline to accept such documents and to make such payment if such documents are not in strict compliance with the terms and conditions of such Letter of Credit; and

(iv) this Section 2.21(i) shall establish the standard of care to be exercised by an Issuing Bank when determining whether drafts and other documents presented under a Letter of Credit comply with the terms thereof (and the parties hereto hereby waive, to the extent permitted by applicable law, any standard of care stricter than the foregoing).

Without limiting the foregoing, none of the Administrative Agent, the Lenders, any Issuing Bank, or any of their respective Related Parties shall have any liability or responsibility by reason of (i) any presentation that includes forged or fraudulent documents or that is otherwise affected by the fraudulent, bad faith, or

illegal conduct of the beneficiary or other Person, (ii) an Issuing Bank declining to take up documents and make payment (A) against documents that are fraudulent, forged, or for other reasons by which that it is entitled not to honor or (B) following a Borrower's waiver of discrepancies with respect to such documents or request for honor of such documents or (iii) an Issuing Bank retaining proceeds of a Letter of Credit based on an apparently applicable attachment order, blocking regulation, or third-party claim notified to such Issuing Bank.

An Issuing Bank shall have all of the benefits and immunities (but not the obligations) (A) provided to the Administrative Agent in Article IX with respect to any acts taken or omissions suffered by such Issuing Bank in connection with Letters of Credit issued by it or proposed to be issued by it and LC Documents pertaining to such Letters of Credit as fully as if the term "Administrative Agent" as used in Article IX included such Issuing Bank with respect to such acts or omissions, and (B) as additionally provided herein with respect to the such Issuing Bank.

(j) ISP/UCP. Unless otherwise expressly agreed by an Issuing Bank and the Borrower when a Letter of Credit is issued by such Issuing Bank and subject to applicable laws, (i) each standby Letter of Credit shall be governed by the "International Standby Practices 1998" (ISP98) (or such later revision as may be published by the Institute of International Banking Law & Practice on any date any Letter of Credit may be issued) (the "ISP"), (ii) each documentary Letter of Credit shall be governed by the Uniform Customs and Practices for Documentary Credits (2007 Revision), International Chamber of Commerce Publication No. 600 (or such later revision as may be published by the International Chamber of Commerce on any date any Letter of Credit may be issued) (the "UCP") and (iii) the Borrower shall specify the foregoing in each letter of credit application submitted for the issuance of a Letter of Credit. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no Issuing Bank shall be responsible to the Borrower for, and such Issuing Bank's rights and remedies against the Borrower shall not be impaired by, any action or inaction of such Issuing Bank required or permitted under any law, order, or practice that is required or permitted to be applied to any Letter of Credit or this Agreement, including the laws or any order of a jurisdiction where such Issuing Bank or the beneficiary is located, the practice stated in the ISP or UCP, as applicable, or in the decisions, opinions, practice statements, or official commentary of the International Chamber of Commerce Banking Commission, the Bankers Association for Finance and Trade (BAFT), or the Institute of International Banking Law & Practice, whether or not any Letter of Credit chooses such Laws or practice rules.

(k) Resignation of Issuing Bank. Any Issuing Bank may resign as an "Issuing Bank" hereunder upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the Borrower; *provided* that on or prior to the expiration of such thirty (30)-day period with respect to such resignation, the relevant Issuing Bank shall have identified a successor Issuing Bank reasonably acceptable to the Borrower willing to accept its appointment as successor Issuing Bank, and the effectiveness of such resignation shall be conditioned upon such successor assuming the rights and duties of the resigning Issuing Bank. In the event of any such resignation as Issuing Bank, the Borrower shall be entitled to appoint from among the Lenders a successor Issuing Bank hereunder; *provided* that no failure by the Borrower to appoint any such successor shall affect the resignation of the resigning Issuing Bank except as expressly provided above. The Borrower may terminate the appointment of any Issuing Bank as an "Issuing Bank" hereunder by providing a written notice thereof to such Issuing Bank, with a copy to the Administrative Agent. Any such termination shall become effective upon the earlier of (i) such Issuing Bank acknowledging receipt of such notice and (ii) the third (3rd) Business Day following the date of the delivery thereof; *provided* that no such termination shall become effective until and unless the LC Exposure attributable to Letters of Credit issued by such Issuing Bank (or its Affiliates) shall have been reduced to zero (0). At the time any such resignation or termination shall become effective, the

Borrower shall pay all unpaid fees accrued for the account of the resigning or terminated Issuing Bank pursuant to Section 2.13(c). Notwithstanding the effectiveness of any such resignation or termination, the resigning or terminated Issuing Bank shall remain a party hereto and shall continue to have all the rights of an Issuing Bank under this Agreement with respect to Letters of Credit issued by it prior to such resignation or termination, but shall not be required to issue any additional Letters of Credit or to extend, reinstate, or otherwise amend any then-existing Letter of Credit.

(l) Replacement of Issuing Bank. Immediately prior to the occurrence of the Closing Date, Truist Bank resigned as “Issuing Bank” under the Existing Credit Agreement. Notwithstanding such resignation, Truist Bank shall continue to have the rights and obligations of an Issuing Bank under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents with respect to the Existing Letters of Credit, but shall not be required to issue additional Letters of Credit or to extend, reinstate, renew or increase any Existing Letter of Credit.

(m) Letters of Credit Issued for account of Subsidiary Loan Parties. Notwithstanding that a Letter of Credit issued or outstanding hereunder is in support of any obligations of, or is for the account of, a Subsidiary Loan Party, the Borrower shall be obligated as a primary obligor to reimburse the applicable Issuing Bank hereunder for any and all drawings under such Letter of Credit and irrevocably waives any defenses that might otherwise be available to it as a guarantor or surety of obligations of such Subsidiary Loan Party. The Borrower hereby acknowledges that the issuance of Letters of Credit for the account of Subsidiary Loan Parties inures to the benefit of the Borrower, and that the Borrower’s business derives substantial benefits from the businesses of such Subsidiary Loan Parties.

Section 2.22. Mitigation of Obligations. If any Lender requests compensation under Section 2.17, 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 2.19, 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 sole judgment of such Lender, such designation or assignment (i) would eliminate or reduce amounts payable under Section 2.17 or Section 2.19, as the case may be, in the future and (ii) would not subject such Lender to any unreimbursed cost or expense and would not otherwise be disadvantageous to such Lender. The Borrower hereby agrees to pay all costs and expenses incurred by any Lender in connection with such designation or assignment.

Section 2.23. Replacement of Lenders. If (a) any Lender requests compensation under Section 2.17, 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 2.19, or (b) any Lender is a Defaulting Lender or a Non-Consenting Lender, then the Borrower may, at its sole expense and effort, upon notice to such Lender and the Administrative Agent, require such Lender to assign and delegate (and such Lender shall be obligated to assign and delegate), without recourse (in accordance with and subject to the restrictions set forth in Section 10.4(b)), all of its interests, rights (other than its existing rights to payments pursuant to Section 2.17 or Section 2.19, as applicable) and obligations under this Agreement and the related Loan Documents to an Eligible 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, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, (ii) the Borrower shall have paid to the Administrative Agent the assignment fee (if any) specified in Section 10.4(b), (iii) such Lender shall have received payment of an amount equal to the outstanding principal amount of all Loans owed to it, accrued interest thereon, accrued fees and all other amounts payable to it hereunder and under the other Loan Documents from the assignee (in the case of such outstanding principal, accrued interest and fees) and from the Borrower (in the case of all other amounts), (iv) in the case of any

such assignment resulting from a claim for compensation under Section 2.17 or payments required to be made pursuant to Section 2.19, such assignment will result in a reduction in such compensation or payments, (v) such assignment does not conflict with applicable laws and (vi) in the case of an assignment resulting from a Lender becoming a Non-Consenting Lender, the applicable assignee shall have consented to the applicable amendment, waiver or consent. A Lender shall not be required to make any such assignment and delegation if, prior thereto, as a result of a waiver by such Lender or otherwise, the circumstances entitling the Borrower to require such assignment and delegation cease to apply. Each party hereto agrees that (A) an assignment required pursuant to this Section may be effected pursuant to an Assignment and Acceptance executed by the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and the assignee and (B) the Lender required to make such assignment need not be a party thereto in order for such assignment to be effective and shall be deemed to have consented to and be bound by the terms thereof; *provided* that, following the effectiveness of any such assignment, the other parties to such assignment agree to execute and deliver such documents necessary to evidence such assignment as reasonably requested by the applicable Lender, *provided, further* that any such documents shall be without recourse to or warranty by the parties thereto. Notwithstanding anything in this Section to the contrary, (A) any Lender that acts as an Issuing Bank may not be replaced as an Issuing Bank hereunder at any time it has any Letter of Credit outstanding hereunder unless arrangements satisfactory to such Lender (including the furnishing of a back-stop standby letter of credit in form and substance, and issued by an issuer, reasonably satisfactory to such Issuing Bank or the depositing of cash collateral into a cash collateral account in amounts and pursuant to arrangements reasonably satisfactory to such Issuing Bank) have been made with respect to such outstanding Letter of Credit and (B) the Lender that acts as the Administrative Agent may not be replaced under this Section.

Section 2.24. Defaulting Lenders.

(a) Cash Collateral.

(i) At any time that there shall exist a Defaulting Lender, within one (1) Business Day following the written request of the Administrative Agent or any Issuing Bank (with a copy to the Administrative Agent) the Borrower shall Cash Collateralize the Issuing Banks' LC Exposure with respect to such Defaulting Lender (determined after giving effect to Section 2.24(b)(iv) and any Cash Collateral provided by such Defaulting Lender) in an amount not less than one hundred five percent (105%) of the Issuing Banks' LC Exposure with respect to such Defaulting Lender.

(ii) The Borrower, and to the extent provided by any Defaulting Lender, such Defaulting Lender, hereby grants to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Issuing Banks, and agrees to maintain, a first priority security interest in all such Cash Collateral as security for the Defaulting Lenders' obligation to fund participations in respect of Letters of Credit, to be applied pursuant to Section 2.24(a)(iii) below. If at any time the Administrative Agent determines that Cash Collateral is subject to any right or claim of any Person other than the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Banks as herein provided, or that the total amount of such Cash Collateral is less than the minimum amount required pursuant to Section 2.24(a)(i) above, the Borrower will, promptly upon demand by the Administrative Agent, pay or provide to the Administrative Agent additional Cash Collateral in an amount sufficient to eliminate such deficiency (after giving effect to any Cash Collateral provided by the Defaulting Lender).

(iii) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, Cash Collateral provided under this Section 2.24(a) or Section 2.24(b) in respect of Letters of Credit shall be applied to the satisfaction of the Defaulting Lender's obligation to fund participations in respect of Letters of Credit or LC Disbursements (including, as to Cash Collateral provided by a

Defaulting Lender, any interest accrued on such obligation) for which the Cash Collateral was so provided, prior to any other application of such property as may otherwise be provided for herein.

(iv) Cash Collateral (or the appropriate portion thereof) provided to reduce any Issuing Bank's LC Exposure shall no longer be required to be held as Cash Collateral pursuant to this Section 2.24(a) following (A) the elimination of the applicable LC Exposure (including by the termination of Defaulting Lender status of the applicable Lender), or (B) the determination by the Administrative Agent and each Issuing Bank that there exists excess Cash Collateral; *provided* that, subject to Section 2.24(b) through (d) the Person providing Cash Collateral and each Issuing Bank may agree that Cash Collateral shall be held to support future anticipated LC Exposure or other obligations and *provided, further*, that to the extent that such Cash Collateral was provided by the Borrower, such Cash Collateral shall remain subject to the security interest granted pursuant to the Loan Documents.

(b) 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) 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 definition of Required Lenders and in Section 10.2.

(ii) 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, pursuant to Article VIII or otherwise) or received by the Administrative Agent from a Defaulting Lender pursuant to Section 10.7 shall be applied at such time or times as may be determined by the Administrative Agent as follows: first, to the payment of any amounts owing by such Defaulting Lender to the Administrative Agent hereunder; second, to the payment on a pro rata basis of any amounts owing by such Defaulting Lender to any Issuing Bank hereunder; third, to Cash Collateralize the Issuing Banks' LC Exposure with respect to such Defaulting Lender in accordance with Section 2.24(a); fourth, as the Borrower may request (so long as no Default or Event of Default exists), to the funding of any Loan in respect of which such Defaulting Lender has failed to fund its portion thereof as required by this Agreement, as determined by the Administrative Agent; fifth, if so determined by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, to be held in a 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 LC Exposure with respect to such Defaulting Lender with respect to future Letters of Credit issued under this Agreement, in accordance with Section 2.24(a); sixth, 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 any Issuing Bank against such Defaulting Lender as a result of such Defaulting Lender's breach of its obligations under this Agreement; seventh, so long as no Default or Event of Default exists, to the payment of any amounts owing to the Borrower as a result of any judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction obtained by the Borrower against such Defaulting Lender as a result of such Defaulting Lender's breach of its obligations under this Agreement; and eighth, to such Defaulting Lender or as otherwise directed by a court of competent jurisdiction; *provided* that if (x) such payment is a payment of the principal amount of any Loans or LC Disbursements in respect of which such Defaulting Lender has not fully funded its appropriate share, and (y) such Loans were made or the related Letters of Credit were issued at a time when the conditions set forth in Section 3.2 were satisfied or waived, such payment shall be applied solely to pay the Loans of, and LC Disbursements owed to, all Non-Defaulting Lenders on a pro rata basis prior to being applied to

the payment of any Loans of, or LC Disbursements owed to, such Defaulting Lender until such time as all Loans and funded and unfunded participations in LC Exposure are held by the Lenders pro rata in accordance with their Commitments without giving effect to subsection (b)(iv) below. 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 2.24(b)(ii) shall be deemed paid to and redirected by such Defaulting Lender, and each Lender irrevocably consents hereto.

(iii) (A) No Defaulting Lender shall be entitled to receive any unused commitment fee pursuant to Section 2.13(b) for any period during which that Lender is a Defaulting Lender (and the Borrower shall not be required to pay any such fee that otherwise would have been required to have been paid to that Defaulting Lender).

(B) Each Defaulting Lender shall be entitled to receive letter of credit fees pursuant to Section 2.13(c) for any period during which that Lender is a Defaulting Lender only to the extent allocable to that portion of its LC Exposure for which it has provided Cash Collateral pursuant to Section 2.24(a).

(C) With respect to any unused commitment fee or letter of credit fee not required to be paid to any Defaulting Lender pursuant to Section 2.24(b)(iii)(A) or Section 2.24(b)(iii)(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 Section 2.24(b)(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 LC Exposure with respect to such Defaulting Lender, and (z) not be required to pay the remaining amount of any such fee.

(iv) 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 Shares of the Commitments (calculated without regard to such Defaulting Lender's Commitment) but only to the extent that (x) the conditions set forth in Section 3.2 are satisfied at the time of such reallocation (and, unless the Borrower shall have otherwise notified the Administrative Agent at such time, the Borrower shall be deemed to have represented and warranted that such conditions are satisfied at such time), and (y) such reallocation does not cause the aggregate Credit Exposure of any such Non-Defaulting Lender to exceed such Non-Defaulting Lender's 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) If the reallocation described in subsection (b)(iv) above cannot, or can only partially, be effected, the Borrower shall, without prejudice to any right or remedy available to it hereunder or under law, Cash Collateralize the Issuing Banks' LC Exposure with respect to such Defaulting Lender in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 2.24(a).

(c) 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 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 the applicable Commitments (without giving effect to Section 2.24(b)(iv)), whereupon such Lender will cease to be a Defaulting Lender; *provided* that no adjustments will be made retroactively with respect to fees accrued or payments made by or on behalf of the Borrower while that Lender was a Defaulting Lender; and *provided, further*, that except to the extent otherwise expressly agreed by the affected parties, no change hereunder from Defaulting Lender to Lender will constitute a waiver or release of any claim of any party hereunder arising from that Lender's having been a Defaulting Lender.

(d) New Letters of Credit. So long as any Lender is a Defaulting Lender, no Issuing Bank shall be required to issue, extend, renew or increase any Letter of Credit unless it is satisfied that it will have no LC Exposure after giving effect thereto.

ARTICLE III

CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO LOANS AND LETTERS OF CREDIT

Section 3.1. Conditions to Effectiveness. The amendment and restatement of the Existing Credit Agreement, the obligations of the Lenders to make Loans and the obligation of the Issuing Bank to issue any Letters of Credit hereunder shall not become effective until the date on which each of the following conditions is satisfied (or waived in accordance with Section 10.2):

(a) The Administrative Agent shall have received payment of all fees, expenses and other amounts due and payable on or prior to the Closing Date, including reimbursement or payment of all out-of-pocket expenses of the Administrative Agent, the Lead Arranger and their Affiliates (including reasonable fees, charges and disbursements of counsel to the Administrative Agent) required to be reimbursed or paid by the Borrower hereunder, under any other Loan Document and under any agreement with the Administrative Agent and/or the Joint Lead Arrangers.

(b) The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received the following, each to be in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and each of the Lenders:

(i) a counterpart of this Agreement and each Existing Lender Agreement signed by or on behalf of each party hereto or thereto, as applicable, or written evidence satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (which may include facsimile transmission of a signed signature page of this Agreement or such Existing Lender Agreement, as applicable) that such party has signed a counterpart of this Agreement or such Existing Lender Agreement, as applicable;

(ii) a certificate of the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of each Loan Party dated as of the Closing Date, attaching and certifying copies of its bylaws, or partnership agreement or limited liability company agreement, and of the resolutions of its board of directors or other equivalent governing body, or comparable organizational documents and authorizations, authorizing the execution, delivery and performance of the Loan Documents to which it is a party and certifying the name, title and true signature of each officer of such Loan Party executing the Loan Documents to which it is a party;

(iii) certified copies of the articles or certificate of incorporation, certificate of organization or limited partnership, or other registered organizational documents of each Loan Party, together with certificates of good standing or existence, as may be available from the Secretary of State of the jurisdiction of organization of such Loan Party and each other jurisdiction

where such Loan Party is required to be qualified to do business as a foreign corporation, each dated as of a recent date;

(iv) a favorable written opinion of Jones & Keller, P.C., as New York, Nevada and Texas counsel to the Loan Parties dated as of the Closing Date, addressed to the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and each of the Lenders, and covering such matters relating to the Loan Parties, the Loan Documents and the transactions contemplated therein as the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders shall reasonably request (which opinions will expressly permit reliance by permitted successors and assigns of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders);

(v) a certificate dated the Closing Date and signed by a Responsible Officer, certifying that after giving effect to the funding of any initial Borrowing, (x) no Default or Event of Default exists, (y) all representations and warranties of each Loan Party set forth in the Loan Documents are true and correct and (z) since the date of the financial statements of the Borrower described in Section 4.4, there shall have been no change which has had or could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;

(vi) a duly executed Notice of Borrowing for the initial Borrowing of Loans under this Agreement;

(vii) a duly executed funds disbursement agreement, dated as of the Closing Date together with a report setting forth the sources and uses of the proceeds hereof;

(viii) a certificate dated the Closing Date and signed by a Responsible Officer, (A) certifying that (1) all consents, approvals, authorizations, registrations and filings and orders ("Consents") required or advisable to be made or obtained under any Requirement of Law, or by any Contractual Obligation of any Loan Party, in connection with the execution, delivery, performance, validity and enforceability of the Loan Documents or any of the transactions contemplated thereby have been obtained, (2) such Consents, are in full force and effect and all applicable waiting periods have expired, and no investigation or inquiry by any governmental authority regarding the Commitments or any transaction being financed with the proceeds thereof is ongoing and (3) attached thereto is a true and correct copy of all such Consents or (B) certifying that no such Consents are required;

(ix) a certificate, dated as of the Closing Date and signed by the chief financial officer of each Loan Party, (A) confirming that each Loan Party is Solvent before and after giving effect to the funding of the initial Borrowing and (B) demonstrating pro forma compliance with the financial covenants set forth in Article VI of this Agreement (and setting forth in reasonable detail such calculations);

(x) a certificate, as to the Initial Reserve Report, dated as of the Closing Date and signed by a Responsible Officer of Borrower, in the form required by Section 5.13;

(xi) the Guaranty and Security Agreement, duly executed by the Borrower and each of its Subsidiaries, together with (A) UCC financing statements and other applicable documents under the laws of all necessary or appropriate jurisdictions with respect to the perfection of the Liens granted under the Guaranty and Security Agreement, as requested by the Administrative Agent in order to perfect such Liens, duly authorized by the Loan Parties, (B) copies of favorable UCC, tax, judgment and fixture lien search reports in all necessary or appropriate jurisdictions and under all legal and trade names of the Loan Parties, as requested by the Administrative Agent, indicating that there are no prior Liens on any of the Collateral other than Excepted Liens and Liens to be released on the Closing Date, (C) original certificates evidencing

all issued and outstanding shares of Capital Stock of all Subsidiaries owned directly by any Loan Party (for any such Subsidiaries that are certificated), together with stock or membership interest powers or other appropriate instruments of transfer executed in blank and (D) acknowledgements with respect to pledged equity interests other than stock of a corporation, duly executed by the issuer of such equity interests and the Borrower;

(xii) Control Account Agreements for any Controlled Account, duly executed by each bank or other financial institution with whom any Loan Party maintains such Controlled Account and the applicable Loan Party;

(xiii) Mortgages (and, as applicable, reaffirmations and amendments of existing Mortgages) covering such Oil and Gas Properties of the Loan Parties as requested by the Administrative Agent (which in any event will represent at least eighty-five percent (85%) of the total value of the Oil and Gas Properties evaluated by the Initial Reserve Report), duly executed by each applicable Loan Party and evidence satisfactory to the Administrative Agent that such Mortgages (including, as applicable, existing Mortgages being reaffirmed and amended) create a first priority Lien (*provided* that Excepted Liens of the type described in clauses (i) to (iii) and (v) of the definition thereof may exist, but subject to the provisos at the end of such definition) on the Oil and Gas Properties of the Loan Parties covered by such Mortgages (it being understood that any filing or recordation may occur after the Closing Date so long as the Administrative Agent has the authority to make such filings and recordations on the Closing Date);

(xiv) Transfer Letters as may be required by the Administrative Agent, duly executed by each Loan Party that executes a Mortgage;

(xv) title information so that, together with title information previously delivered to the Administrative Agent, the Administrative Agent has received satisfactory title information on at least eighty-five percent (85%) of the total value of the Oil and Gas Properties of the Borrower covered by the Initial Reserve Report;

(xvi) to the extent not previously delivered to the Administrative Agent, true, accurate and complete copies of all Material Agreements requested by the Administrative Agent;

(xvii) certificates of insurance, in form and detail acceptable to the Administrative Agent, describing the types and amounts of insurance (property and liability) maintained by any of the Loan Parties, in each case naming the Administrative Agent as loss payee or additional insured, as the case may be, together with a lender's loss payable endorsement in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent;

(xviii) at least five (5) Business Days prior to the Closing Date, all documentation and other information required by bank regulatory authorities or reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent or any Lender under or in respect of applicable "know your customer" and anti-money laundering Legal Requirements including the Patriot Act and, if Borrower qualifies as a "legal entity customer" under the Beneficial Ownership Regulation, a Beneficial Ownership Certification in relation to Borrower;

(xix) (A) an Agency Resignation, Appointment and Assumption Agreement duly executed and delivered by Truist Bank, as existing administrative agent and issuing bank under the Existing Credit Agreement, the Loan Parties and the Required Lenders (as defined in the Existing Credit Agreement), evidencing that all Liens securing obligations under the Existing Credit Agreement will be assigned to the Administrative Agent and (B) such other releases,

amendment or termination statements, assignments, acknowledgements, customary documents, instruments and agreements and information as may be reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent as are necessary in order to effect the matters contemplated by such Agency Resignation, Appointment and Assumption Agreement; and

(xx) evidence satisfactory to the Administrative Agent that the Borrower has, for the twenty-four (24) month period following the Closing Date, entered into Hedging Transactions in the form of swap agreements, puts, calls in connection with puts and/or collars (but not three way collars) at prices reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent (and, in the case of collars, on terms reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent) in respect of crude oil and natural gas, on not less than fifty-five (55%) of the projected production from the Loan Parties' proved, developed, producing Oil and Gas Properties (as reflected in the Initial Reserve Report).

(c) Since December 31, 2024, there has been no event or condition that has had or could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Without limiting the generality of the provisions of this Section, for purposes of determining compliance with the conditions specified in this Section, each Lender that has signed this Agreement shall be deemed to have consented to, approved of, accepted or been satisfied with each document or other matter required thereunder to be consented to, approved by or acceptable or satisfactory to a Lender unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from such Lender prior to the proposed Closing Date specifying its objection thereto.

Section 3.2. Conditions to Each Credit Event. The obligation of each Lender to make a Loan on the occasion of any Borrowing and of each Issuing Bank to issue, amend, renew or extend any Letter of Credit is subject to Section 2.24(d) and the satisfaction of the following conditions:

(a) at the time of and immediately after giving effect to such Borrowing or the issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of such Letter of Credit, as applicable, no Default, Event of Default or Borrowing Base Deficiency shall exist;

(b) at the time of and immediately after giving effect to such Borrowing or the issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of such Letter of Credit, as applicable, all representations and warranties of each Loan Party set forth in the Loan Documents shall be true and correct in all material respects (other than those representations and warranties that are expressly qualified by a Material Adverse Effect or other materiality, in which case such representations and warranties shall be true and correct in all respects);

(c) in the case of a Borrowing, the Borrower shall have delivered the required Notice of Borrowing;

(d) the Administrative Agent shall have received such other documents, certificates, information or legal opinions as the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders may reasonably request, all in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders; and

(e) in the case of a Borrowing, after giving pro forma effect to the use of proceeds from such Borrowing, such Borrowing would not otherwise cause the Loan Parties to have any Excess Cash.

Each Borrowing and each issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit shall be deemed to constitute a representation and warranty by the Borrower on the date thereof as to the matters specified in subsections (a), (b) and (c) of this Section.

Section 3.3. Delivery of Documents. All of the Loan Documents, certificates, legal opinions and other documents and papers referred to in this Article, unless otherwise specified, shall be delivered to the Administrative Agent for the account of each of the Lenders and in sufficient counterparts or copies for each of the Lenders and shall be in form and substance satisfactory in all respects to the Administrative Agent.

ARTICLE IV

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

The Borrower represents and warrants to the Administrative Agent, each Lender and each Issuing Bank as follows:

Section 4.1. Existence; Power. The Borrower and each of its Subsidiaries (i) is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing as a corporation, partnership or limited liability company under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, (ii) has all requisite power and authority to carry on its business as now conducted, and (iii) is duly qualified to do business, and is in good standing, in each jurisdiction where such qualification is required, except where a failure to be so qualified could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 4.2. Organizational Power; Authorization. The execution, delivery and performance by each Loan Party of the Loan Documents to which it is a party are within such Loan Party's organizational powers and have been duly authorized by all necessary organizational and, if required, shareholder, partner or member action. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the Borrower and constitutes, and each other Loan Document to which any Loan Party is a party, when executed and delivered by such Loan Party, will constitute, valid and binding obligations of the Borrower or such Loan Party (as the case may be), enforceable against it in accordance with their respective terms, except as may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and by general principles of equity.

Section 4.3. Governmental Approvals; No Conflicts. The execution, delivery and performance by each Loan Party of the Loan Documents to which it is a party (a) do not require any consent or approval of, registration or filing with, or any action by, any Governmental Authority, except those as have been obtained or made and are in full force and effect and except for filings necessary to perfect or maintain perfection of the Liens created under the Loan Documents, (b) will not violate any Requirement of Law applicable to the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries or any judgment, order or ruling of any Governmental Authority, (c) will not violate or result in a default under any Contractual Obligation of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries or any of its assets or give rise to a right thereunder to require any payment to be made by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries and (d) will not result in the creation or imposition of any Lien on any asset of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, except Liens (if any) created under the Loan Documents.

Section 4.4. Financial Statements. The Borrower has furnished to each Lender the audited consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of December 31, 2024, and the related audited consolidated statements of income, shareholders' equity and cash flows for the Fiscal Year then ended, reviewed by Grant Thornton LLP, certified by a Responsible Officer. Such financial statements fairly present the consolidated financial condition of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the dates of such financial statements and the consolidated results of operations for such periods in conformity with

GAAP consistently applied. Since December 31, 2024, there have been no changes with respect to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries which have had or could reasonably be expected to have, either individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 4.5. Litigation and Environmental Matters.

(a) No litigation, investigation or proceeding of or before any arbitrators or Governmental Authorities is pending against or, to the knowledge of the Borrower, threatened in writing against or affecting the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries (i) as to which there is a reasonable possibility of an adverse determination that, if adversely determined, could reasonably be expected to have, either individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect or (ii) which in any manner draws into question the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or any other Loan Document.

(b) Except for the matters set forth on Schedule 4.5 or as could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect:

(i) each Loan Party and its Properties and operations thereon are, and within all applicable statute of limitation periods have been, in compliance with all applicable Environmental Laws;

(ii) each Loan Party has obtained all Environmental Permits required for its operations and each of its Properties, with all such Environmental Permits being currently in full force and effect, and no Loan Party has received any written notice or otherwise has knowledge that any such existing Environmental Permit will be revoked or that any application for any new Environmental Permit or renewal of any existing Environmental Permit will be protested or denied;

(iii) there are no claims, demands, suits, orders, inquiries, or proceedings concerning any violation of, or any Environmental Liability (including as a potentially responsible party) under, any applicable Environmental Laws that is pending or, to any Loan Party's knowledge, threatened against any Loan Party or any of its Properties or as a result of any operations at such Properties;

(iv) none of the Properties of the Loan Parties contain or to any Loan Party's knowledge, in the past five (5) years, have contained any: (A) underground storage tanks requiring Environmental Permits which have not been obtained; (B) asbestos-containing materials present in violation of applicable Environmental Laws; (C) landfills or dumps requiring an Environmental Permit which have not been obtained or which are in violation of applicable Environmental Laws; (D) hazardous waste management units as defined pursuant to RCRA or any comparable state law which are in violation of applicable Environmental Laws; or (E) sites on, or to the Borrower's knowledge nominated for, the National Priority List promulgated pursuant to CERCLA or any state remedial priority list promulgated or published pursuant to any comparable state law;

(v) there has been no Release or, to any Loan Party's knowledge, threatened Release, of Hazardous Materials at, on, under or from any Loan Party's Properties, there are no investigations (to the Borrower's knowledge), remediations, abatements, removals, or monitorings of Hazardous Materials required of the Borrower under applicable Environmental Laws at such Properties and, to the knowledge of each Loan Party, none of such Properties are adversely affected by any Release or threatened Release of a Hazardous Material originating or emanating from any other real property;

(vi) no Loan Party has received any written notice asserting an alleged Environmental Liability or obligation under any applicable Environmental Laws with respect to the investigation, remediation, abatement, removal, or monitoring of any Hazardous Materials at, under, or Released or threatened to be Released from any real properties offsite from any Loan Party's Properties and, to Borrower's knowledge, there are no conditions or circumstances that could reasonably be expected to result in the receipt of such written notice;

(vii) to the knowledge of each Loan Party, there has been no exposure of any Person or Property to any Hazardous Materials as a result of or in connection with the operations and businesses of any Loan Party's Properties that could reasonably be expected to form the basis for a claim for Environmental Liability; and

(viii) each Loan Party has provided to the Administrative Agent complete and correct copies of all material environmental site assessment reports, investigations, studies, analyses, and correspondence on environmental matters (including matters relating to any alleged non-compliance with or liability under Environmental Laws) that are in any Loan Party's possession or control and relating to their respective Properties or operations thereon and that have been requested by the Administrative Agent.

Section 4.6. Compliance with Laws and Agreements. The Borrower and each of its Subsidiaries is in compliance with (a) all Requirements of Law and all judgments, decrees and orders of any Governmental Authority and (b) all indentures, agreements or other instruments binding upon it or its properties, except where non-compliance, either individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 4.7. Investment Company Act. Neither the Borrower nor any of its Subsidiaries is (a) an "investment company" or is "controlled" by an "investment company", as such terms are defined in, or subject to regulation under, the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended and in effect from time to time, or (b) otherwise subject to any other regulatory scheme limiting its ability to incur debt or requiring any approval or consent from, or registration or filing with, any Governmental Authority in connection therewith.

Section 4.8. Taxes. The Borrower and its Subsidiaries and each other Person for whose taxes the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries could become liable have timely filed or caused to be filed all Federal income tax returns and all other material tax returns that are required to be filed by them, and have paid all taxes shown to be due and payable on such returns or on any assessments made against it or its property and all other taxes, fees or other charges imposed on it or any of its property by any Governmental Authority, except where the same are currently being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings and for which the Borrower or such Subsidiary, as the case may be, has set aside on its books adequate reserves in accordance with GAAP. The charges, accruals and reserves on the books of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in respect of such taxes are adequate in all material respects, and as of the date hereof no tax liabilities that could be materially in excess of the amount so provided are anticipated. Neither the Borrower nor any of its Subsidiaries has any obligation to pay or to its knowledge has any liability with respect to any of their Affiliates' tax liability (other than Borrower or its Subsidiaries and other than applicable withholding obligations as required by applicable law). No tax Lien has been filed and, to the knowledge of any Loan Party, no claim is being asserted with respect to any such tax or other such governmental charge.

Section 4.9. Margin Regulations. None of the proceeds of any of the Loans or Letters of Credit will be used, directly or indirectly, for "purchasing" or "carrying" any "margin stock" within the respective meanings of each of such terms under Regulation U or for any purpose that violates the

provisions of Regulation T, Regulation U or Regulation X. Neither the Borrower nor any of its Subsidiaries is engaged principally, or as one of its important activities, in the business of extending credit for the purpose of purchasing or carrying “margin stock”.

Section 4.10. ERISA. Except for matters that could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, each Plan is in substantial compliance in form and operation with its terms and with ERISA and the Code (including, without limitation, the Code provisions compliance with which is necessary for any intended favorable tax treatment) and all other applicable laws and regulations. Each Plan (and each related trust, if any) which is intended to be qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code has received a favorable determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service to the effect that it meets the requirements of Sections 401(a) and 501(a) of the Code covering all applicable tax law changes, or is comprised of a master or prototype plan that has received a favorable opinion letter from the Internal Revenue Service, and nothing has occurred since the date of such determination that would adversely affect such determination (or, in the case of a Plan with no determination, nothing has occurred that would adversely affect the issuance of a favorable determination letter or otherwise adversely affect such qualification), except as could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. No ERISA Event has occurred or is reasonably expected to occur. There exists no Unfunded Pension Liability with respect to any Plan. None of the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or any ERISA Affiliate is making or accruing an obligation to make contributions, or has, within any of the five (5) calendar years immediately preceding the date this assurance is given or deemed given, made or accrued an obligation to make, contributions to any Multiemployer Plan. There are no actions, suits or claims pending against or involving a Plan (other than routine claims for benefits) or, to the knowledge of the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or any ERISA Affiliate, threatened, which would reasonably be expected to be asserted successfully against any Plan and, if so asserted successfully, would reasonably be expected either singly or in the aggregate to result in liability to the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries. The Borrower, each of its Subsidiaries and each ERISA Affiliate have made all contributions to or under each Plan and Multiemployer Plan required by law within the applicable time limits prescribed thereby, by the terms of such Plan or Multiemployer Plan, respectively, or by any contract or agreement requiring contributions to a Plan or Multiemployer Plan. No Plan which is subject to Section 412 of the Code or Section 302 of ERISA has applied for or received an extension of any amortization period within the meaning of Section 412 of the Code or Section 303 or 304 of ERISA, except as could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. None of the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or any ERISA Affiliate have ceased operations at a facility so as to become subject to the provisions of Section 4068(a) of ERISA, withdrawn as a substantial employer so as to become subject to the provisions of Section 4063 of ERISA or ceased making contributions to any Plan subject to Section 4064(a) of ERISA to which it made contributions, except as could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 4.11. Ownership of Property; Insurance.

(a) Each Loan Party has good and Defensible Title to the Oil and Gas Properties evaluated in the most recently delivered Reserve Report (except for those Oil and Gas Properties that have been disposed of since the date of such Reserve Report in accordance with this Agreement or leases which have expired in accordance with their terms) and good title to, or valid leasehold interests in, all of its personal Properties in all material respects necessary or used in the ordinary course of its business, in each case free and clear of Liens prohibited by this Agreement under Section 7.2. After giving full effect to the Excepted Liens, each Loan Party specified as the owner owns the net interests in production attributable to the Hydrocarbon Interests as reflected in the most recently delivered Reserve Report, and the ownership of such Oil and Gas Properties shall not in any material respect obligate such Loan Party to bear the costs and expenses relating to the maintenance, development and operations of each such Oil and Gas Property in an amount in excess of the working interest of such Property set forth in the most recently delivered Reserve Report that

is not offset by a corresponding proportionate increase in such Loan Party's net revenue interest in such Oil and Gas Property.

(b) All material leases and agreements necessary for the conduct of the business of each Loan Party are valid and subsisting, in full force and effect, and there exists no material default or event or circumstance which with the giving of notice or the passage of time or both would give rise to a material default under any such lease or agreement.

(c) The rights and Properties presently owned, leased or licensed by each Loan Party including, without limitation, all easements and rights of way, include all rights and Properties necessary to permit each Loan Party to conduct its business in all material respects in the same manner as its business has been conducted prior to the date hereof.

(d) Except as could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, the Oil and Gas Properties (and Properties unitized therewith) of each Loan Party have been maintained, operated and developed in a good and workmanlike manner and in conformity with all Requirements of Law and in conformity with the provisions of all leases, subleases or other contracts comprising a part of the Hydrocarbon Interests and other contracts and agreements forming a part of the Oil and Gas Properties of such Loan Party. Specifically in connection with the foregoing, except as could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, (i) no Oil and Gas Property of any Loan Party is subject to having allowable production reduced below the full and regular allowable (including the maximum permissible tolerance) because of any overproduction (whether or not the same was permissible at the time) and (ii) none of the wells comprising a part of the Oil and Gas Properties (or Properties unitized therewith) of any Loan Party is deviated from the vertical more than the maximum permitted by Requirements of Law, and such wells are, in fact, bottomed under and are producing from, and the well bores are wholly within, the Oil and Gas Properties (or in the case of wells located on Properties unitized therewith, such unitized Properties) of such Loan Party. All pipelines, wells, gas processing plants, platforms and other material improvements, fixtures and equipment owned in whole or in part by each Loan Party that are necessary to conduct normal operations are being reasonably maintained in a state adequate to conduct normal operations in all material respects, and with respect to such of the foregoing which are operated by such Loan Party, in a manner consistent with such Loan Party's past practices.

(e) Each Loan Party owns, or is licensed or otherwise has the right to use, all patents, trademarks, service marks, trade names, copyrights and other intellectual property material to its business, and the use thereof by such Loan Party does not infringe in any material respect on the rights of any other Person. Each Loan Party either owns or has valid licenses or other rights to use all databases, geological data, geophysical data, engineering data, seismic data, maps, interpretations and other technical information used in its business as presently conducted, subject to the limitations contained in the agreements governing the use of the same, which limitations are customary for companies engaged in the business of the exploration and production of Hydrocarbons.

(f) Each Loan Party has (i) all insurance policies sufficient for the compliance by it with all Requirements of Law and all material agreements including Flood Insurance, if required and (ii) insurance coverage in at least amounts and against such risk (including, without limitation, public liability) that are usually insured against by companies similarly situated and engaged in the same or a similar business for the assets and operations of such Loan Party. The Administrative Agent and the Lenders have been named as additional insureds in respect of such liability insurance

policies and the Administrative Agent has been named as loss payee with respect to Property loss insurance.

Section 4.12. Disclosure.

(a) To the Borrower's knowledge, it has disclosed to the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the Issuing Banks all agreements, instruments, and corporate or other restrictions to which the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries is subject, and all other matters known to any of them, that, either individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. None of the reports (including, without limitation, all reports that the Borrower is required to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission), financial statements, certificates or other information furnished by or on behalf of the Borrower to the Administrative Agent, any Lender or any Issuing Bank in connection with the negotiation or syndication of this Agreement or any other Loan Document or delivered hereunder or thereunder (as modified or supplemented by any other information so furnished) contains any material misstatement of fact or omits to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein, taken as a whole in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not materially misleading as of the date such information is dated or certified; *provided* that, with respect to projected financial information, the Borrower represents only that such information was prepared in good faith based upon assumptions believed to be reasonable at the time furnished (it being understood that such projections are subject to significant uncertainties and contingencies and that no assurance can be given that any particular projection will be realized and that actual results may differ and such differences may be material).

(b) As of (i) the Closing Date and (ii) as of the date delivered, the information included in each Beneficial Ownership Certification delivered pursuant to Section 5.20 is true and correct in all respects.

Section 4.13. Labor Relations. There are no strikes, lockouts or other material labor disputes or grievances against the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, or, to the Borrower's knowledge, threatened against or affecting the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, and no significant unfair labor practice charges or grievances are pending against the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, or, to the Borrower's knowledge, threatened against any of them before any Governmental Authority. All payments due from the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries pursuant to the provisions of any collective bargaining agreement have been paid or accrued as a liability on the books of the Borrower or any such Subsidiary, except where the failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 4.14. Subsidiaries. Schedule 4.14 sets forth the name of, the ownership interest of the applicable Loan Party in, the jurisdiction of incorporation or organization of, and the type of each Subsidiary of the Borrower and the other Loan Parties and identifies each Subsidiary that is a Subsidiary Loan Party, in each case as of the Closing Date. Each Subsidiary of a Loan Party is a wholly owned Subsidiary.

Section 4.15. Solvency. After giving effect to the execution and delivery of the Loan Documents and the making of the Loans under this Agreement, each Loan Party is Solvent.

Section 4.16. Deposit and Disbursement Accounts. Schedule 4.16 lists all banks and other financial institutions at which any Loan Party maintains deposit accounts, lockbox accounts, disbursement accounts, investment accounts or other similar accounts as of the Closing Date, and such Schedule correctly identifies the name, address and telephone number of each financial institution, the name in which the account is held, the type of the account, and the complete account number therefor.

Section 4.17. Collateral Documents.

(a) The Guaranty and Security Agreement is effective to create in favor of the Administrative Agent for the ratable benefit of the Secured Parties a legal, valid and enforceable security interest in the Collateral (as defined therein), and when UCC financing statements in appropriate form are filed in the offices specified on Schedule 3 to the Guaranty and Security Agreement, the Guaranty and Security Agreement shall constitute a fully perfected Lien (to the extent that such Lien may be perfected by the filing of a UCC financing statement) on, and security interest in, all right, title and interest of the grantors thereunder in such Collateral, in each case prior and superior in right to any other Person, other than with respect to Liens expressly permitted by Section 7.2. When the certificates evidencing all Capital Stock pledged pursuant to the Guaranty and Security Agreement are delivered to the Administrative Agent, together with appropriate stock powers or other similar instruments of transfer duly executed in blank, the Liens in such Capital Stock shall be fully perfected first priority security interests, perfected by “control” as defined in the UCC.

(b) Each Mortgage, when duly executed and delivered by the relevant Loan Party, will be effective to create in favor of the Administrative Agent for the ratable benefit of the Secured Parties a legal, valid and enforceable Lien on all of such Loan Party’s right, title and interest in and to the Mortgaged Property of such Loan Party covered thereby and the proceeds thereof, and when such Mortgage is filed in the real estate records where the respective Mortgaged Property is located, such Mortgage shall constitute a fully perfected Lien on, and security interest in, all right, title and interest of such Loan Party in such Mortgaged Property and the proceeds thereof, in each case prior and superior in right to any other Person, other than with respect to Liens expressly permitted by Section 7.2.

(c) No Loan Party owns any Building (as defined in the applicable Flood Insurance Law) or Manufactured (Mobile) Home (as defined in the applicable Flood Insurance Law) for which such Loan Party has not delivered to the Administrative Agent evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent that (i) such Loan Party maintains Flood Insurance for such Building or Manufactured (Mobile) Home or (ii) such Building or Manufactured (Mobile) Home is not located in a Special Flood Hazard Area.

Section 4.18. Restriction on Liens. No Loan Party is a party to any agreement or arrangement (other than Capital Leases creating Liens permitted by Section 7.2(d)), but then only on the Property subject of such Capital Lease), or subject to any order, judgment, writ or decree, which either restricts or purports to restrict its ability to grant Liens to the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties on or in respect of its Properties to secure the Obligations and the Loan Documents.

Section 4.19. Material Agreements. As of the Closing Date, all Material Agreements are in full force and effect. The Borrower does not have any knowledge of any pending material amendments or threatened termination of any of the Material Agreements. As of the Closing Date, the Borrower has delivered to the Administrative Agent a true, complete and correct copy of each Material Agreement (including all schedules, exhibits, amendments, supplements, modifications, assignments and all other documents delivered pursuant thereto or in connection therewith) requested by the Administrative Agent.

Section 4.20. Sanctions and Anti-Corruption Laws.

(a) None of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries or any of their respective directors, officers, employees, agents or Affiliates is a Sanctioned Person.

(b) Borrower, its Subsidiaries and their respective directors, officers and employees and, to the knowledge of the Borrower, the agents of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, are in compliance with applicable Anti-Corruption Laws and applicable Sanctions. The Borrower and its Subsidiaries have instituted and maintain policies and procedures designed to ensure continued compliance with applicable Sanctions and Anti-Corruption Laws.

Section 4.21. Patriot Act. Neither any Loan Party nor any of its Subsidiaries is an “enemy” or an “ally of the enemy” within the meaning of Section 2 of the Trading with the Enemy Act or any enabling legislation or executive order relating thereto. Neither any Loan Party nor any of its Subsidiaries is in violation of (a) the Trading with the Enemy Act, (b) any of the foreign assets control regulations of the United States Treasury Department (31 C.F.R., Subtitle B, Chapter V, as amended) or any enabling legislation or executive order relating thereto or (c) the Patriot Act. None of the Loan Parties (i) is a blocked person described in Section 1 of the Anti-Terrorism Order or (ii) to the best of its knowledge, engages in any dealings or transactions, or is otherwise associated, with any such blocked person.

Section 4.22. Gas Imbalances; Prepayments. Except as set forth on Schedule 4.22 or on the most recent certificate delivered pursuant to Section 5.13(c), on a net basis there are no gas imbalances, take or pay or other prepayments which would require the Loan Parties to deliver Hydrocarbons produced from their Oil and Gas Properties at some future time without then or thereafter receiving full payment therefor exceeding one percent (1%) of the value of the proved, developed, producing Oil and Gas Properties as set forth on the most recent Reserve Report delivered pursuant to the terms of this Agreement in the aggregate.

Section 4.23. Marketing of Production. Except for contracts listed and in effect on the date hereof on Schedule 4.23, and thereafter either disclosed in writing to the Administrative Agent or included in the most recently delivered Reserve Report (with respect to all of which contracts each Loan Party represents it is receiving a price for all production sold thereunder which is computed substantially in accordance with the terms of the relevant contract and are not having deliveries curtailed substantially below the subject Property’s delivery capacity), no material agreements exist (which are not cancelable on sixty (60) days’ notice or less without penalty or detriment) for the sale of production from any Loan Party’s Hydrocarbons (including, without limitation, calls on or other rights to purchase, production, whether or not the same are currently being exercised) that (a) pertain to the sale of production at a fixed price and (b) have a maturity or expiry date of longer than six (6) months from the date hereof.

Section 4.24. Hedging Transactions and Qualified ECP Guarantor. Schedule 4.24, as of the date hereof, and after the date hereof, each report required to be delivered by the Borrower pursuant to Section 5.1(d), sets forth, a true and complete list of all Hedging Transactions of each Loan Party, the material terms thereof (including the type, term, effective date, termination date and notional amounts or volumes), the net mark to market value thereof, all credit support agreements relating thereto (including any margin required or supplied) and the counterparty to each such agreement. The Borrower and each Guarantor is a Qualified ECP Guarantor.

Section 4.25. Affected Financial Institutions. Neither the Borrower nor any Subsidiary is an Affected Financial Institution.

Section 4.26. Covered Entity. Neither the Borrower nor any Subsidiary is a Covered Entity.

ARTICLE V

AFFIRMATIVE COVENANTS

The Borrower covenants and agrees that so long as any Lender has a Commitment hereunder or any Obligation remains unpaid or outstanding:

Section 5.1. Financial Statements and Other Information. The Borrower will deliver to the Administrative Agent, each Lender and each Issuing Bank:

(a) as soon as available and in any event within ninety (90) days after the end of each Fiscal Year of the Borrower, a copy of the annual audited report for such Fiscal Year for the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, containing a consolidated balance sheet of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the end of such Fiscal Year and the related consolidated statements of income, stockholders' equity and cash flows (together with all notes thereto) of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for such Fiscal Year, setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the previous Fiscal Year, all in reasonable detail and reported on by Grant Thornton LLP or other independent public accountants of nationally recognized standing (without a "going concern" or like qualification, exception or explanation and without any qualification or exception as to the scope of such audit) to the effect that such financial statements present fairly in all material respects the financial condition and the results of operations of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for such Fiscal Year on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP;

(b) as soon as available and in any event within forty-five (45) days after the end of the first three Fiscal Quarters of the Borrower, an unaudited consolidated and consolidating balance sheet of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the end of such Fiscal Quarter and the related unaudited consolidated and consolidating statements of income and cash flows of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for such Fiscal Quarter and the then elapsed portion of such Fiscal Year, setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the corresponding Fiscal Quarter and the corresponding portion of the Borrower's previous Fiscal Year;

(c) concurrently with the delivery of the financial statements referred to in subsections (a) and (b) of this Section 5.1, a Compliance Certificate signed by the principal executive officer or the principal financial officer of the Borrower (i) certifying as to whether there exists a Default or Event of Default on the date of such certificate and, if a Default or an Event of Default then exists, specifying the details thereof and the action which the Borrower has taken or proposes to take with respect thereto, (ii) setting forth in reasonable detail calculations demonstrating compliance with the financial covenants set forth in Article VI, (iii) specifying any change in the identity of the Subsidiaries as of the end of such Fiscal Year or Fiscal Quarter from the Subsidiaries identified to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders on the Closing Date or as of the most recent Fiscal Year or Fiscal Quarter, as the case may be, and (iv) stating whether any change in GAAP or the application thereof has occurred since the date of the mostly recently delivered audited financial statements of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, and, if any change has occurred, specifying the effect of such change on the financial statements accompanying such Compliance Certificate;

(d) concurrently with the delivery of the financial statements referred to in subsection (b) of this Section, a certificate signed by the principal executive officer or the principal financial officer of the Borrower setting forth as of a recent date, a true and complete list of all Hedging Transactions of the Loan Parties, the material terms thereof (including the type, term, effective date, termination date and notional amounts or volumes), the net mark-to-market value therefor, any new credit support agreements relating thereto not listed on Schedule 4.24, any margin required or supplied under any credit support document, and the counterparty to each such agreement;

(e) concurrently with the delivery of the financial statements referred to in subsection (b) of this Section, a certificate signed by the principal executive officer or the principal financial officer of the Borrower setting forth information as to quantities or production from the Loan

Parties' Oil and Gas Properties, volumes of production sold, pricing, purchasers of production, gross revenues, lease operating expenses, and such other information as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request with respect to the relevant quarterly period;

(f) promptly following the written request of the Administrative Agent, a list of all Persons purchasing Hydrocarbons from any Loan Party; and

(g) promptly following any request therefor, (i) such other information regarding the results of operations, business affairs and financial condition of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries as the Administrative Agent, any Lender or any Issuing Bank may reasonably request and (ii) information and documentation reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent, any Lender or any Issuing Bank for purposes of compliance with applicable "know your customer" requirements under the Patriot Act or other applicable anti-money laundering laws.

Section 5.2. Notices of Material Events. The Borrower will furnish to the Administrative Agent, each Lender and each Issuing Bank prompt written notice of the following:

(a) the occurrence known to the Borrower of any Default or Event of Default which has occurred and is continuing;

(b) the filing or commencement of, or any material development in, any action, suit or proceeding by or before any arbitrator or Governmental Authority against or, to the knowledge of the Borrower, affecting the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries which, if adversely determined, could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect;

(c) the occurrence of any event or any other development by which the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries (i) receives notice or becomes aware that it fails to comply with any Environmental Law or to obtain, maintain or comply with any permit, license or other approval required under any Environmental Law, (ii) receives notice or becomes aware that it is subject to any Environmental Liability, (iii) receives notice of any claim with respect to any Environmental Liability, or (iv) becomes aware of any basis for any Environmental Liability, in each case which, either individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect;

(d) promptly and in any event within fifteen (15) days after (i) the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or any ERISA Affiliate knows or has reason to know that any ERISA Event has occurred, a certificate of the chief financial officer of the Borrower describing such ERISA Event and the action, if any, proposed to be taken with respect to such ERISA Event and a copy of any notice filed with the PBGC or the IRS pertaining to such ERISA Event and any notices received by the Borrower, such Subsidiary or such ERISA Affiliate from the PBGC or any other governmental agency with respect thereto, and (ii) becoming aware (1) that there has been an increase in Unfunded Pension Liabilities (not taking into account Plans with negative Unfunded Pension Liabilities) since the date the representations hereunder are given or deemed given, or from any prior notice, as applicable, (2) of the existence of any Withdrawal Liability, (3) of the adoption of, or the commencement of contributions to, any Plan subject to Section 412 of the Code by the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or any ERISA Affiliate, or (4) of the adoption of any amendment to a Plan subject to Section 412 of the Code which results in a material increase in contribution obligations of the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or any ERISA Affiliate, a detailed written description thereof from the chief financial officer of the Borrower;

(e) the occurrence of any default or event of default known to the Borrower, or the receipt by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries of any written notice of an alleged default or

event of default, which has occurred and is continuing, with respect to any Material Indebtedness of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries;

(f) any material amendment or modification to any Material Agreement (together with a copy thereof), and prompt notice of any termination, expiration or loss of any Material Agreement;

(g) any other development (other than matters of a general economic or industry specific nature which do not disproportionately impact the Borrower in relation to other companies similarly situated in its industry) that results in, or could reasonably be expected to result in, a Material Adverse Effect; and

(h) any change in the information provided in the Beneficial Ownership Certification that would result in a change to the list of beneficial owners identified in parts (c) or (d) of such certification.

The Borrower will furnish to the Administrative Agent, each Lender and each Issuing Bank the following:

(x) promptly and in any event at least thirty (30) days prior thereto, notice of any change (i) in any Loan Party's legal name, (ii) in any Loan Party's chief executive office, its principal place of business, any office in which it maintains books or records or any office or facility at which Collateral owned by it is located (including the establishment of any such new office or facility), (iii) in any Loan Party's identity or legal structure, (iv) in any Loan Party's federal taxpayer identification number or organizational number or (v) in any Loan Party's jurisdiction of organization; and

(y) as soon as available and in any event within thirty (30) days after receipt thereof, a copy of any environmental site assessment report obtained by or for the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries after the Closing Date on any Oil and Gas Property, that identifies conditions or circumstances which would reasonably be expected to result in a material Environmental Liability.

Each notice or other document delivered under this Section shall be accompanied by a written statement of a Responsible Officer setting forth the details of the event or development requiring such notice or other document and any action taken or proposed to be taken with respect thereto.

Section 5.3. Existence; Conduct of Business. The Borrower will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, do or cause to be done all things necessary to (a) preserve, renew and maintain in full force and effect (i) its legal existence and (ii) except where the failure to do so would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, its respective rights, licenses, permits (including Environmental Permits), privileges, franchises, patents, copyrights, trademarks and trade names material to the conduct of its business and (b) maintain, if necessary, its qualification to do business in each other jurisdiction in which its Oil and Gas Properties are located or the ownership of its Properties requires such qualification; *provided* that nothing in this Section shall prohibit any merger, consolidation, liquidation or dissolution permitted under Section 7.3.

Section 5.4. Compliance with Laws. The Borrower will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, comply with all laws, rules, regulations and requirements of any Governmental Authority applicable to its business and properties, including, without limitation, all Environmental Laws, ERISA and OSHA, except where the failure to do so, either individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. The Borrower will maintain in effect and enforce policies and procedures designed to promote and achieve compliance by the Borrower, its Subsidiaries and their

respective directors, officers, employees and agents with applicable Anti-Corruption Laws and applicable Sanctions.

Section 5.5. Payment of Obligations. The Borrower will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, pay and discharge at or before maturity all of its obligations and liabilities (including, without limitation, all taxes, assessments and other governmental charges, levies and all other claims that could result in a statutory Lien) before the same shall become delinquent or in default, except where (a) the validity or amount thereof is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings, (b) the Borrower or such Subsidiary has set aside on its books adequate reserves with respect thereto in accordance with GAAP and (c) the failure to make payment pending such contest could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 5.6. Books and Records. The Borrower will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, keep proper books of record and account in which full, true and correct entries in all material respects shall be made of all dealings and transactions in relation to its business and activities to the extent necessary to prepare the consolidated financial statements of the Borrower in conformity with GAAP.

Section 5.7. Visitation and Inspection. The Borrower will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, permit any representative of the Administrative Agent, any Lender or any Issuing Bank to visit and inspect its Properties (including its Oil and Gas Properties), to examine its books and records and to make copies and take extracts therefrom, and to discuss its affairs, finances and accounts with any of its officers and with its independent certified public accountants (subject to such accountants' customary policies and procedures), all at such reasonable times and as often as the Administrative Agent, any Lender or any Issuing Bank may reasonably request after reasonable prior notice to the Borrower; *provided* that if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, no prior notice shall be required.

Section 5.8. Maintenance of Properties; Insurance. The Borrower will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to:

(a) operate its Oil and Gas Properties and other material Properties or cause such Oil and Gas Properties and other Properties to be operated in a careful and prudent manner in accordance with the practices of the industry and in compliance with all applicable contracts and agreements binding on it and/or its Properties and in compliance with all Requirements of Law, including, without limitation, applicable proration requirements and Environmental Laws, and all applicable laws, rules and regulations of every other Governmental Authority from time to time constituted to regulate the development and operation of its Oil and Gas Properties and the production and sale of Hydrocarbons and other minerals therefrom, except in each such case as would not result in a Material Adverse Effect;

(b) maintain and keep in good repair, working order and efficiency (ordinary wear and tear excepted) all of its Oil and Gas Properties and other Properties, including, without limitation, all equipment, machinery and facilities, except in each such case as would not result in a Material Adverse Effect;

(c) promptly pay and discharge, or cause to be paid and discharged, all delay rentals, royalties, expenses and indebtedness accruing under the leases or other agreements affecting or pertaining to its Oil and Gas Properties and will do all other things necessary to keep unimpaired their rights with respect thereto and prevent any forfeiture thereof or default thereunder, except in each such case as would not result in a Material Adverse Effect;

(d) promptly perform or cause to be performed, in accordance with industry standards, the obligations required by each and all of the assignments, deeds, leases, sub-leases, contracts and

agreements affecting its interests in its Oil and Gas Properties and other material Properties, except in each such case as would not result in a Material Adverse Effect;

(e) maintain with financially sound and reputable insurance companies which are not Affiliates of the Borrower (i) insurance with respect to its properties and business, and the properties and business of its Subsidiaries, against loss or damage of the kinds customarily insured against by companies in the same or similar businesses operating in the same or similar locations (including, to the extent applicable, flood insurance) and (ii) all insurance required to be maintained pursuant to the Collateral Documents or any applicable Requirement of Law, and will, upon request of the Administrative Agent, furnish to each Lender and each Issuing Bank at reasonable intervals a certificate of a Responsible Officer setting forth the nature and extent of all insurance maintained by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in accordance with this Section;

(f) at all times shall name the Administrative Agent as additional insured on all liability policies of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries and as loss payee (pursuant to a loss payee endorsement approved by the Administrative Agent) on all casualty and property insurance policies of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries and cause such policies to provide that the insurer will give at least thirty (30) days prior notice of any cancellation to the Administrative Agent; and

(g) to the extent a Loan Party is not the operator of any Property, the Borrower shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the operator to comply with this Section 5.8.

Section 5.9. Use of Proceeds; Margin Regulations. The Borrower will use the proceeds of all Loans to pay amounts due under the Existing Credit Agreement on the Closing Date, to finance working capital needs and for other general corporate purposes of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries. No part of the proceeds of any Loan will be used, whether directly or indirectly, for any purpose in contravention of Section 4.9 or for any purpose that would violate any rule or regulation of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, including Regulation T, Regulation U or Regulation X. All Letters of Credit will be used for general corporate purposes.

Section 5.10. Casualty and Condemnation. The Borrower (a) will furnish to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders prompt written notice of any casualty or other insured damage to any material portion of any Collateral or the commencement of any action or proceeding for the taking of any material portion of any Collateral or any part thereof or interest therein under power of eminent domain or by condemnation or similar proceeding and (b) will cause the net cash proceeds of any such event (whether in the form of insurance proceeds, condemnation awards or otherwise) to be collected and applied in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Agreement and the Collateral Documents.

Section 5.11. Cash Management. The Borrower shall, and shall cause its Subsidiaries to:

(a) maintain all cash management and treasury business with the bank or other financial institution that is Administrative Agent or a Permitted Third Party Bank, including, without limitation, all deposit accounts, disbursement accounts, investment accounts and lockbox accounts (other than zero-balance accounts for the purpose of managing local disbursements, payroll, withholding and other fiduciary accounts, all of which the Loan Parties may maintain without restriction) (each such deposit account, disbursement account, investment account and lockbox account, a “Controlled Account”); each Controlled Account shall be a cash collateral account, with all cash, checks and other similar items of payment in such account securing payment of the Obligations, and in which the Borrower and each of its Subsidiaries shall have granted a first priority Lien to the Administrative Agent, on behalf of the Secured Parties, perfected either

automatically under the UCC (with respect to Controlled Accounts at the bank or other financial institution that is Administrative Agent) or subject to Control Account Agreements;

(b) deposit promptly, and in any event no later than ten (10) Business Days after the date of receipt thereof, all cash, checks, drafts or other similar items of payment relating to or constituting payments made in respect of any and all accounts and other Collateral into Controlled Accounts, in each case except for cash and Permitted Investments the aggregate value of which does not exceed \$200,000 at any time; and

(c) at any time after the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, at the request of the Required Lenders, the Borrower will, and will cause each other Loan Party to, cause all payments constituting proceeds of accounts or other Collateral to be directed into lockbox accounts under agreements in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

Section 5.12. Additional Subsidiaries and Collateral.

(a) In the event that, subsequent to the Closing Date, any Person becomes a Subsidiary of a Loan Party, whether pursuant to formation, acquisition or otherwise, (x) the Borrower shall notify the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the Issuing Banks not less than ten (10) Business Days prior to the formation or acquisition of such Subsidiary and (y) within five (5) Business Days after such Person becomes a Subsidiary of a Loan Party, the Borrower shall cause such Subsidiary (i) to become a new Guarantor and to grant Liens in favor of the Administrative Agent in all of its personal property by executing and delivering to the Administrative Agent a supplement to the Guaranty and Security Agreement in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, and authorizing and delivering, at the request of the Administrative Agent, such UCC financing statements or similar instruments required by the Administrative Agent to perfect the Liens in favor of the Administrative Agent and granted under any of the Loan Documents, (ii) to grant Liens in favor of the Administrative Agent in such Oil and Gas Properties as requested by the Administrative Agent by executing and delivering to the Administrative Agent such Mortgages as the Administrative Agent shall require, and (iii) to deliver all such other documentation (including, without limitation, certified organizational documents, resolutions, lien searches, environmental reports and legal opinions) and to take all such other actions as such Subsidiary would have been required to deliver and take pursuant to Section 3.1 if such Subsidiary had been a Loan Party on the Closing Date or that such Subsidiary would be required to deliver pursuant to Section 5.13 with respect to any Oil and Gas Properties. In addition, within five (5) Business Days after the date any Person becomes a Subsidiary of a Loan Party, the Borrower shall, or shall cause the applicable Loan Party to (i) pledge all of the Capital Stock of such Subsidiary to the Administrative Agent as security for the Obligations by executing and delivering a supplement to the Guaranty and Security Agreement in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, and (ii) if the Capital Stock of such Subsidiary is certificated, deliver the original certificates evidencing such pledged Capital Stock to the Administrative Agent, together with appropriate powers executed in blank.

(b) The Borrower agrees that, following the delivery of any Collateral Documents required to be executed and delivered by this Section 5.12, the Administrative Agent shall have a valid and enforceable, first priority perfected Lien on the property required to be pledged pursuant to subsection (a) (to the extent that such Lien can be perfected by execution, delivery and/or recording of the Collateral Documents or UCC financing statements, or possession of such Collateral), free and clear of all Liens other than Liens expressly permitted by Section 7.2. All actions to be taken pursuant to this Section shall be at the expense of the Borrower or the applicable Loan Party, and shall be taken to the reasonable satisfaction of the Administrative Agent.

Section 5.13. Reserve Reports.

(a) On or before April 1 and October 1 of each year, commencing October 1, 2025, the Borrower shall furnish to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders a Reserve Report evaluating the Oil and Gas Properties of Borrower and its Subsidiaries as of the immediately preceding January 1 (with respect to the Reserve Report due April 1) and July 1 (with respect to the Reserve Report due October 1). The Reserve Report due April 1 of each year shall be prepared by one (1) or more Approved Petroleum Engineers, and the Reserve Report due October 1 of each year shall be prepared by or under the supervision of the chief engineer of the Borrower who shall certify such Reserve Report to be true and accurate and to have been prepared in accordance with the procedures used in the Reserve Report most recently prepared by the Approved Petroleum Engineers.

(b) In the event of an Interim Redetermination, the Borrower shall furnish to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders a Reserve Report prepared by or under the supervision of the chief engineer of the Borrower who shall certify such Reserve Report to be true and accurate and to have been prepared in accordance with the procedures used in the Reserve Report most recently prepared by the Approved Petroleum Engineers. For any Interim Redetermination requested by the Administrative Agent or the Borrower pursuant to Section 2.4(b), the Borrower shall provide such Reserve Report with an “as of” date as required by the Administrative Agent as soon as possible, but in any event no later than thirty (30) days following the receipt of such request.

(c) With the delivery of each Reserve Report, the Borrower shall provide to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders a certificate from its principal executive officer or the principal financial officer certifying that in all material respects: (i) the information contained in the Reserve Report and any other information delivered in connection therewith is true and correct in all material respects, (ii) the Borrower and its Subsidiaries owns good and Defensible Title to the Oil and Gas Properties evaluated in such Reserve Report and such Properties are free of all Liens except for Liens permitted by Section 7.2 and Liens securing the Obligations, (iii) except as set forth on an exhibit to the certificate, on a net basis there are no gas imbalances, take or pay or other prepayments in excess of the volume specified in Section 4.22 with respect to its Oil and Gas Properties evaluated in such Reserve Report which would require the Borrower or its Subsidiaries to deliver Hydrocarbons either generally or produced from such Oil and Gas Properties at some future time without then or thereafter receiving full payment therefor, (iv) none of their Oil and Gas Properties have been sold since the date of the last Borrowing Base determination except as set forth on an exhibit to the certificate, which certificate shall list all of its Oil and Gas Properties sold and in such detail as reasonably required by the Administrative Agent, (v) attached to the certificate is a list of all marketing agreements entered into subsequent to the later of the date hereof or the most recently delivered Reserve Report which the Borrower or its Subsidiaries could reasonably be expected to have been obligated to list on Schedule 4.24 had such agreement been in effect on the date hereof and (vi) attached thereto is a schedule of the Oil and Gas Properties evaluated by such Reserve Report that are Mortgaged Properties and demonstrating the percentage of the total value of the Oil and Gas Properties evaluated in such Reserve Report that the value of such Mortgaged Properties represent in compliance with Section 5.15.

Section 5.14. Title Information.

(a) On or before the delivery to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders of each Reserve Report required by Section 5.13(a), the Borrower will deliver title information in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent covering the Oil and Gas Properties evaluated by such Reserve Report as requested by the Administrative Agent (which in any event

shall cover, together with title information previously delivered to the Administrative Agent, at least eighty-five percent (85%) of the total value of the Oil and Gas Properties evaluated by such Reserve Report).

(b) If the Borrower has provided title information under Section 5.14(a), the Borrower shall, or shall cause the applicable Loan Party to, within sixty (60) days after notice from the Administrative Agent that title defects or exceptions exist with respect to such additional Properties (or such longer period as the Administrative Agent may agree in its sole discretion), either (i) cure any such title defects or exceptions (including defects or exceptions as to priority) which are not permitted by Section 7.2 raised by such information, (ii) substitute acceptable Mortgaged Properties with no title defects or exceptions except for Excepted Liens (other than Excepted Liens described in clauses (iv), (vi) and (vii) of such definition) having an equivalent value or (iii) deliver title information in form and substance acceptable to the Administrative Agent so that the Administrative Agent shall have received, together with title information previously delivered to the Administrative Agent, satisfactory title information on at least eighty-five percent (85%) of the total value of the Oil and Gas Properties evaluated by such Reserve Report.

(c) If the Borrower or such Loan Party is unable to cure any title defect requested by the Administrative Agent or the Lenders to be cured within the sixty (60)-day period or the Borrower does not comply with the requirements under Section 5.14(a) (or such longer period as the Administrative Agent may agree in its sole discretion), such default shall not be a Default, but instead the Administrative Agent and/or the Required Lenders shall have the right to exercise the following remedy in their sole discretion from time to time, and any failure to so exercise this remedy at any time shall not be a waiver as to future exercise of the remedy by the Administrative Agent or the Lenders. To the extent that the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders are not satisfied with title to any Mortgaged Property after such sixty (60)-day period has elapsed, such unacceptable Mortgaged Property shall not count towards compliance with the requirements of Section 5.14(a), and the Administrative Agent may send a notice to the Borrower and the Lenders that the then outstanding Borrowing Base shall be reduced by an amount as determined by the Required Lenders to cause the Borrower to be in compliance with the requirements of Section 5.14(a). This new Borrowing Base shall become effective immediately after receipt of such notice.

Section 5.15. Additional Mortgaged Property. In connection with each redetermination of the Borrowing Base, the Borrower shall, and shall cause its Subsidiaries to, within thirty (30) days (or such longer period as the Administrative Agent may agree in its sole discretion) following the request of the Administrative Agent, grant to the Administrative Agent as security for the Obligations, a first priority Lien (*provided that Excepted Liens of the type described in clauses (i) to (iii) and (v) of the definition thereof may exist, but subject to the provisos at the end of such definition*) on additional Oil and Gas Properties of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries not already subject to a Lien of the Collateral Documents (which in any event, when combined with all other Mortgaged Properties, will represent at least eighty-five percent (85%) of the total value of the Oil and Gas Properties evaluated by such Reserve Report). All such Liens will be created and perfected by and in accordance with the provisions of mortgages, deeds of trust, security agreements and financing statements or other Collateral Documents, all in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and in sufficient executed (and acknowledged where necessary or appropriate) counterparts for recording purposes. In order to comply with the foregoing, if any Subsidiary places a Lien on its Oil and Gas Properties and such Subsidiary is not a Guarantor, then it shall become a Guarantor and comply with Section 5.12(a).

Section 5.16. Further Assurances. The Borrower will, and will cause each other Loan Party to, 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), which may be required under any applicable law, or which the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders may reasonably request, to effectuate the transactions contemplated by the Loan Documents or to grant, preserve, protect or perfect the Liens created by the Collateral Documents or the validity or priority of any such Lien, all at the expense of the Loan Parties. The Borrower also agrees to provide to the Administrative Agent, from time to time upon request, evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent as to the perfection and priority of the Liens created or intended to be created by the Collateral Documents. The Borrower hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to file one (1) or more financing or continuation statements, and amendments thereto, relative to all or any part of the Mortgaged Property without the signature of the Borrower or any other Loan Party where permitted by law. A carbon, photographic or other reproduction of the Collateral Documents or any financing statement covering the Mortgaged Property or any part thereof shall be sufficient as a financing statement where permitted by law. The Borrower acknowledges and agrees that any such financing statement may describe the collateral as “all assets” of the applicable Loan Party or words of similar effect as may be required by the Administrative Agent.

Section 5.17. Environmental Matters.

(a) Except where the failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, the Borrower shall at its sole expense: (i) comply, and shall cause its Properties and operations and each Loan Party and each Loan Party’s Properties and operations to comply, in all material respects, with all applicable Environmental Laws; (ii) not Release or threaten to Release, and shall cause each Loan Party not to Release or threaten to Release, any Hazardous Material on, under, about or from any of Loan Party’s Properties or any other property offsite the Property to the extent caused by such Loan Party’s operations except in compliance with applicable Environmental Laws; (iii) timely obtain or file, and shall cause each Subsidiary to timely obtain or file, all Environmental Permits, if any, required under applicable Environmental Laws to be obtained or filed in connection with the operation or use of any Loan Party’s Properties; (iv) promptly commence and diligently prosecute to completion, and shall cause each Subsidiary to promptly commence and diligently prosecute to completion, any assessment, evaluation, investigation, monitoring, containment, cleanup, removal, repair, restoration, remediation or other remedial obligations (collectively, the “Remedial Work”) in the event any Remedial Work is required or reasonably necessary under applicable Environmental Laws because of or in connection with the actual or suspected past, present or future Release or threatened Release of any Hazardous Material on, under, about or from any of any Loan Party’s Properties; (v) conduct, and cause its Subsidiaries to conduct, their respective operations and businesses in a manner that will not expose any Property or Person to Hazardous Materials that could reasonably be expected to form the basis for a material claim for damages or compensation; and (vi) establish and implement, and shall cause each Subsidiary to establish and implement, such procedures as may be necessary to continuously determine and assure that each Loan Party’s obligations under this Section 5.17(a) are timely and fully satisfied.

(b) The Borrower will promptly, but in no event later than five (5) days after any Loan Party obtains knowledge thereof, notify the Administrative Agent and the Lenders in writing of any threatened action, investigation or inquiry by any Governmental Authority or any threatened demand or lawsuit by any Person against any Loan Party or their Properties of which the Borrower has knowledge in connection with any Environmental Laws if such Loan Party could reasonably anticipate that such action will result in liability (whether individually or in the aggregate) in excess of \$2,500,000, not fully covered by insurance, subject to normal deductibles.

(c) The Borrower will, and will cause each Loan Party to, provide environmental assessments, audits and tests reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent and the Lenders in connection with any future acquisitions of Oil and Gas Properties or other Properties.

Section 5.18. Commodity Exchange Act Keepwell Provisions. The Borrower hereby guarantees the payment and performance of all Obligations of each Loan Party (other than the Borrower) and absolutely, unconditionally and irrevocably undertakes to provide such funds or other support as may be needed from time to time to each Loan Party (other than the Borrower) in order for such Loan Party to honor its obligations under the Guarantee and Security Agreement including obligations with respect to Hedging Obligations secured by the Collateral Documents. The obligations of the Borrower under this Section 5.18 shall remain in full force and effect until all Obligations are paid in full to the Lenders, the Administrative Agent and all other Secured Parties, and all of the Lenders' Commitments are terminated. The Borrower intends that this Section 5.18 constitute, and this Section 5.18 shall be deemed to constitute, a "keepwell, support, or other agreement" for the benefit of each other Loan Party for all purposes of Section 1a(18)(A)(v)(II) of the Commodity Exchange Act.

Section 5.19. Minimum Hedging. The Borrower will maintain on a rolling twenty-four (24) month basis, Hedging Transactions in the form of swap agreements, puts, calls in connection with puts and/or collars (but not three way collars) at prices reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent (and, in the case of collars, on terms reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent) in respect of crude oil and natural gas, on not less than fifty percent (50%) (such percentage, as adjusted from time to time pursuant to the proviso at the end of this sentence, the "Required Hedging Percentage") of the projected production from the Loan Parties' proved, developed, producing Oil and Gas Properties (as reflected in the most recently delivered Reserve Report (and, for the avoidance of doubt, from the Closing Date until the date the first Reserve Report is delivered pursuant to this Agreement, the Initial Reserve Report shall be deemed to be the "most recently delivered Reserve Report")); *provided*, that, (a) if on any Hedge Testing Date (i) the Borrowing Base Utilization Percentage as of such Hedge Testing Date is less than twenty-five percent (25%) and (ii) the Leverage Ratio (as reflected in the Compliance Certificate delivered on such Hedge Testing Date) is not greater than 1.25 to 1.00, the Required Hedging Percentage for months thirteen (13) through twenty-four (24) of the rolling twenty-four (24) month period provided for in this Section 5.19 shall be zero percent (0%) from such Hedge Testing Date to the next succeeding Hedge Testing Date, and (b) if on any Hedge Testing Date (i) the Borrowing Base Utilization Percentage as of such Hedge Testing Date is equal to or greater than twenty-five percent (25%), but less than fifty percent (50%) and (ii) the Leverage Ratio (as reflected in the Compliance Certificate delivered on such Hedge Testing Date) is not greater than 1.25 to 1.0, the Required Hedging Percentage for months thirteen (13) through twenty-four (24) of the rolling twenty-four (24) month period provided for in this Section 5.19 shall be twenty-five percent (25%) from such Hedge Testing Date to the next succeeding Hedge Testing Date (the "Required Hedging Partial Suspension Right"). If the Borrower fails to timely deliver financial statements pursuant to Section 5.1(a) or Section 5.1(b), an accompanying Compliance Certificate pursuant to Section 5.1(c) and a certificate pursuant to Section 5.1(d) at any time the Required Hedging Partial Suspension Right is utilized, the Required Hedging Percentage shall (unless the Administrative Agent otherwise consents, which consent shall be in the Administrative Agent's sole discretion) be set at fifty percent (50%) for the entirety of the rolling twenty-four (24) month period provided for in this Section 5.19 from the date such financial statements, Compliance Certificate and certificate were due until the next succeeding Hedge Testing Date. If the Borrower seeks to utilize the Required Hedging Partial Suspension Right for any Hedge Testing Date associated with a Fiscal Quarter ending December 31 prior to the date that the financial statements pursuant to Section 5.1(a) (and an accompanying Compliance Certificate) have been delivered, the Borrower shall deliver financial statements of the type described in Section 5.1(b) for such Fiscal Quarter (and an accompanying Compliance Certificate).

Section 5.20. Additional Beneficial Ownership Certifications. At least five (5) days prior to any Person becoming a Loan Party, if requested by the Administrative Agent, any Lender or any Issuing Bank (and provided that such Person making such request provides the Borrower a form of Beneficial Ownership Certification as part of such request), the Borrower shall cause any such Person that (a) qualifies as a “legal entity customer” under the Beneficial Ownership Regulation and (b) has not previously delivered a Beneficial Ownership Certification, to deliver a Beneficial Ownership Certification to the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Banks and the Lenders.

ARTICLE VI

FINANCIAL COVENANTS

The Borrower covenants and agrees that so long as any Lender has a Commitment hereunder or any Obligation remains unpaid or outstanding:

Section 6.1. Leverage Ratio. Beginning with the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2025, the Borrower will not permit its Leverage Ratio to be greater than 3.0 to 1.0.

Section 6.2. Current Ratio. Beginning with the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2025, the Borrower will not permit, as of the last day of any fiscal quarter, its ratio of Current Assets to Current Liabilities to be less than 1.0 to 1.0.

ARTICLE VII

NEGATIVE COVENANTS

The Borrower covenants and agrees that so long as any Lender has a Commitment hereunder or any Obligation remains outstanding:

Section 7.1. Indebtedness and Preferred Equity. The Borrower will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Indebtedness, except:

(a) Indebtedness created pursuant to the Loan Documents;

(b) Indebtedness of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries existing on the date hereof and set forth on Schedule 7.1 and extensions, renewals and replacements of any such Indebtedness that do not increase the outstanding principal amount thereof (immediately prior to giving effect to such extension, renewal or replacement) or shorten the maturity or the weighted average life thereof;

(c) Indebtedness of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries incurred to finance the acquisition, construction or improvement of any fixed or capital assets, including Capital Lease Obligations, and any Indebtedness assumed in connection with the acquisition of any such assets or secured by a Lien on any such assets prior to the acquisition thereof (*provided* that such Indebtedness is incurred prior to or within ninety (90) days after such acquisition or the completion of such construction or improvements), and extensions, renewals or replacements of any such Indebtedness that do not increase the outstanding principal amount thereof (immediately prior to giving effect to such extension, renewal or replacement) or shorten the maturity or the weighted average life thereof; *provided* that the aggregate principal amount of such Indebtedness does not exceed \$10,000,000 at any time outstanding;

(d) Indebtedness of the Borrower owing to any Subsidiary and of any Subsidiary owing to the Borrower or any other Subsidiary; *provided* that (i) any such Indebtedness shall be

subject to Section 7.4, (ii) such Indebtedness is not held, assigned, transferred, negotiated or pledged to any Person other than a Loan Party, and (iii) any such Indebtedness shall be subordinated to the Obligations on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Administrative Agent;

(e) Guarantees by the Borrower of Indebtedness of any Subsidiary and by any Subsidiary Loan Party of Indebtedness of the Borrower or any other Subsidiary; *provided* that such Indebtedness is otherwise permitted by this Agreement;

(f) Indebtedness of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries associated with bonds or surety obligations required by Governmental Authorities in connection with the operation of the Oil and Gas Properties;

(g) Hedging Obligations permitted by Section 7.10;

(h) Indebtedness owing to insurance providers and arising in connection with the financing of insurance premium payments in the ordinary course of business; and

(i) other unsecured Indebtedness of the Borrower or its Subsidiaries in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed, (i) during the period from the Closing Date until the earlier of (A) the date on which the \$10,000,000 deferred payment (the "Deferred Payment") is due pursuant to the Purchase Agreement and (B) the date on which the Deferred Payment is made by Borrower pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of the Purchase Agreement, \$15,000,000 at any time outstanding, and (ii) thereafter, \$10,000,000 at any time outstanding.

The Borrower will not, and will not permit any Subsidiary to, issue any preferred stock or other preferred equity interest that (i) matures or is mandatorily redeemable in cash pursuant to a sinking fund obligation or otherwise, (ii) is or may become redeemable or repurchaseable in cash by the Borrower or such Subsidiary at the option of the holder thereof, in whole or in part, (iii) requires cash payments of coupons, dividends or distributions or (iv) is convertible or exchangeable at the option of the holder thereof for Indebtedness or preferred stock or any other preferred equity interest described in this paragraph, prior to, in the case of clause (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv), the date that is thirteen (13) months after the Commitment Termination Date ("Disqualified Capital Stock").

Section 7.2. Liens. The Borrower will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Lien on any of its assets or property now owned or hereafter acquired, except:

(a) Liens securing the Obligations; *provided* that no Liens may secure Hedging Obligations or Bank Product Obligations without securing all other Obligations on a basis at least *pari passu* with such Hedging Obligations or Bank Product Obligations and subject to the priority of payments set forth in Section 2.20 and Section 8.2;

(b) Excepted Liens;

(c) Liens on any property or asset of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries existing on the date hereof and set forth on Schedule 7.2; *provided* that such Liens shall not apply to any other property or asset of the Borrower or any Subsidiary;

(d) purchase money Liens upon or in any fixed or capital assets to secure the purchase price or the cost of construction or improvement of such fixed or capital assets or to secure Indebtedness incurred solely for the purpose of financing the acquisition, construction or improvement of such fixed or capital assets (including Liens securing any Capital Lease

Obligations); *provided* that (i) such Lien secures Indebtedness permitted by Section 7.1(c), (ii) such Lien attaches to such asset concurrently or within ninety (90) days after the acquisition or the completion of the construction or improvements thereof, (iii) such Lien does not extend to any other asset, and (iv) the Indebtedness secured thereby does not exceed the cost of acquiring, constructing or improving such fixed or capital assets;

(e) Title defects that exist with respect to Mortgaged Property that is described in and subject to the procedures set forth in Section 5.14(c); and

(f) extensions, renewals, or replacements of any Lien referred to in subsections (b) through (d) of this Section; *provided* that the principal amount of the Indebtedness secured thereby is not increased and that any such extension, renewal or replacement is limited to the assets originally encumbered thereby.

Section 7.3. Fundamental Changes.

(a) The Borrower will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, merge into or consolidate into any other Person, or permit any other Person to merge into or consolidate with it, or sell, lease, transfer or otherwise dispose of (in a single transaction or a series of transactions) all or substantially all of its assets (in each case, whether now owned or hereafter acquired) or all or substantially all of the stock of any of its Subsidiaries (in each case, whether now owned or hereafter acquired) or liquidate or dissolve; *provided* that if, at the time thereof and immediately after giving effect thereto, no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, (i) the Borrower or any other Loan Party may merge with a Loan Party if the Borrower (or such Loan Party if the Borrower is not a party to such merger) is the surviving Person and (ii) any Subsidiary may sell, transfer, lease or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of its assets to another Loan Party.

(b) The Borrower will not, and will not permit any Loan Party to, allow any material change to be made in the character of its business as an independent oil and gas exploration and production company. From and after the date hereof, the Borrower will not, and will not permit any Loan Party to, acquire or make any other expenditure (whether such expenditure is capital, operating or otherwise) in or related to any Oil and Gas Properties not located within the geographical boundaries of the United States of America.

(c) The Borrower will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, form or acquire any Subsidiary other than a wholly owned Subsidiary.

Section 7.4. Investments, Loans. The Borrower will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, purchase, hold or acquire (including pursuant to any merger with any Person that was not a wholly owned Subsidiary prior to such merger) any Capital Stock, evidence of Indebtedness or other securities (including any option, warrant, or other right to acquire any of the foregoing) of, make or permit to exist any loans or advances to, Guarantee any obligations of, or make or permit to exist any investment or any other interest in, any other Person (all of the foregoing being collectively called "Investments"), or purchase or otherwise acquire (in one (1) transaction or a series of transactions) any assets of any other Person that constitute a business unit, or create or form any Subsidiary, except:

(a) Investments (other than Permitted Investments) existing on the date hereof and set forth on Schedule 7.4 (including Investments in Subsidiaries);

(b) Permitted Investments;

(c) Guarantees by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries constituting Indebtedness permitted by Section 7.1;

(d) Investments made by the Borrower in or to any Subsidiary and by any Subsidiary to the Borrower or in or to another Subsidiary;

(e) loans or advances to employees, officers or directors of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business for travel, relocation and related expenses; *provided* that the aggregate amount of all such loans and advances does not exceed \$1,000,000 at any time outstanding;

(f) Hedging Transactions permitted by Section 7.10;

(g) Investments by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in ownership interests in additional Oil and Gas Properties located within the geographic boundaries of the United States of America; and

(h) other Investments which in the aggregate do not exceed \$7,500,000 in any Fiscal Year.

Section 7.5. Restricted Payments. The Borrower will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, declare or make, or agree to pay or make, directly or indirectly, any Restricted Payment, except:

(a) dividends payable by the Borrower solely in interests of any class of its common equity;

(b) Restricted Payments made by any Subsidiary to the Borrower or to another Subsidiary;

(c) to the extent constituting Restricted Payments, the Borrower may make Investments permitted by Section 7.4;

(d) Restricted Payments by the Borrower up to the amount calculated in clause (iii); *provided*, that at the time of such Restricted Payment and after giving pro forma effect to such Restricted Payment, and to any Borrowing hereunder to be made on the date of or prior to such Restricted Payment (i) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, or would exist upon making such Restricted Payment, (ii) the pro forma Leverage Ratio upon making such Restricted Payment does not exceed 2.00 to 1.00, (iii) the amount of such Restricted Payment does not exceed Available Free Cash Flow as of such date, (iv) at the time of and after giving effect to such Restricted Payment the Borrowing Base Utilization Percentage is not greater than eighty percent (80%) and (v) not greater than five (5) Business Days nor less than one (1) Business Day prior to such Restricted Payment, the Borrower shall deliver a certificate signed by a Responsible Officer certifying and reflecting computations reasonably satisfactory to Administrative Agent that the conditions set forth in the foregoing clauses (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) have been satisfied; and

(e) other Restricted Payments by the Borrower; *provided*, that at the time of such Restricted Payment and after giving pro forma effect to such Restricted Payment, and to any Borrowing hereunder to be made on the date of or prior to such Restricted Payment (i) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, or would exist upon making such Restricted Payment, (ii) the pro forma Leverage Ratio upon making such Restricted Payment does not exceed 1.50 to 1.00, (iii) at the time of and after giving effect to such Restricted Payment the Borrowing

Base Utilization Percentage is not greater than seventy-five percent (75%) and (iv) not greater than five (5) Business Days nor less than one (1) Business Day prior to such Restricted Payment, the Borrower shall deliver a certificate signed by a Responsible Officer certifying and reflecting computations reasonably satisfactory to Administrative Agent that the conditions set forth in the foregoing clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) have been satisfied.

Section 7.6. Sale of Properties; Termination of Hedging Transactions. The Borrower will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, convey, sell, lease, assign, farm-out, transfer or otherwise dispose of any of its assets, business or Property or, in the case of any Subsidiary, any shares of such Subsidiary's Capital Stock, in each case whether now owned or hereafter acquired, to any Person other than the Borrower or any other Loan Party, or terminate or otherwise monetize any Hedging Transaction in respect of commodities except:

(a) the sale or other disposition for fair market value of obsolete or worn out equipment that is no longer necessary for operations disposed of in the ordinary course of business;

(b) the sale of Hydrocarbons and Permitted Investments in the ordinary course of business;

(c) the sale or other disposition (including casualty events) of any Oil and Gas Property by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries or any interest therein and the termination or monetization of any Hedging Transaction in respect of commodities; *provided that:*

(i) no Default or Borrowing Base Deficiency exists or, after giving effect to Section 2.11(b), results from such sale or disposition of Oil and Gas Property or termination or monetization of any Hedging Transaction in respect of commodities;

(ii) the Borrower notifies the Administrative Agent and the Lenders not less than ten (10) Business Days prior to such sale or disposition of Oil and Gas Property or termination or monetization of any Hedging Transaction in respect of commodities;

(iii) one hundred percent (100%) of the consideration received in respect of such sale or other disposition or termination shall be cash;

(iv) the consideration received in respect of such sale or other disposition or termination or monetization of any Hedging Transaction in respect of commodities shall be equal to or greater than the fair market value of the Oil and Gas Property, interest therein or Subsidiary subject of such sale or other disposition, or Hedging Transaction subject of such termination or monetization (as reasonably determined by the board of directors (or comparable governing body) of the Borrower and, if requested by the Administrative Agent, the Borrower shall deliver a certificate of the principal executive officer or the principal financial officer of the Borrower certifying to that effect); and

(v) (A) such event is not a Triggering Event or (B) such event is a Triggering Event and the Borrowing Base is automatically reduced pursuant to Section 2.4(e) and (C) the Borrower shall have made the payments, if any, required under Section 2.11(b).

Section 7.7. Transactions with Affiliates. The Borrower will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, sell, lease or otherwise transfer any property or assets to, or purchase, lease or otherwise acquire any property or assets from, or otherwise engage in any other transactions with, any of its Affiliates, except:

(a) in the ordinary course of business at prices and on terms and conditions not less favorable to the Borrower or such Subsidiary than could be obtained on an arm's-length basis from unrelated third parties;

(b) transactions between or among the Loan Parties;

(c) issuances of Capital Stock of the Borrower to the extent otherwise permitted by this Agreement;

(d) employment and severance arrangements and health, disability and similar insurance or benefit plans between the Borrower and the Subsidiaries and their respective future, current or former directors, officers, employees or consultants (including management and employee benefit plans or agreements, subscription agreements or similar agreements pertaining to the repurchase of Equity Interests pursuant to put/call rights or similar rights with future, current or former employees, officers, directors or consultants and equity option or incentive plans and other compensation arrangements) in the ordinary course of business; and

(e) any Restricted Payment permitted by Section 7.5.

Section 7.8. Restrictive Agreements. The Borrower will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly, enter into, incur or permit to exist any agreement that prohibits, restricts or imposes any condition upon (a) the ability of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries to create, incur or permit any Lien upon any of its assets or properties, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, or (b) the ability of any of its Subsidiaries to pay dividends or other distributions with respect to its Capital Stock, to make or repay loans or advances to the Borrower or any other Subsidiary thereof, to Guarantee Indebtedness of the Borrower or any other Subsidiary thereof or to transfer any of its property or assets to the Borrower or any other Subsidiary thereof; *provided* that (i) the foregoing shall not apply to restrictions or conditions imposed by law or by this Agreement or any other Loan Document and (ii) clause (a) shall not apply to restrictions or conditions imposed by any agreement relating to secured Indebtedness permitted by this Agreement if such restrictions and conditions apply only to the property or assets securing such Indebtedness.

Section 7.9. Sale and Leaseback Transactions. The Borrower will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, enter into any arrangement, directly or indirectly, whereby it shall sell or transfer any property, real or personal, used or useful in its business, whether now owned or hereinafter acquired, and thereafter rent or lease such property or other property that it intends to use for substantially the same purpose or purposes as the property sold or transferred.

Section 7.10. Hedging Transactions.

(a) The Borrower will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, enter into or be a party to any Hedging Transaction, other than:

(i) Subject to subsection (b) of this Section 7.10, Hedging Transactions by the Borrower with a Lender-Related Hedge Provider in respect of commodities entered into not for speculative purposes the notional volumes for which (when aggregated with other commodity Hedging Transactions then in effect other than basis differential swaps on volumes already hedged pursuant to other Hedging Transactions) do not exceed, as of the date such Hedging Transaction is entered into, (A) for the period from one (1) to thirty-six (36) months following the date of execution of the Hedging Transaction, (1) eighty-five percent (85%) of the reasonably anticipated production of crude oil, (2) eighty-five percent (85%) of the reasonably anticipated production of

natural gas and (3) eighty-five percent (85%) of the reasonably anticipated production of natural gas liquids and condensate, in each case, as such production is projected from the Borrower's and its Subsidiaries' proved Oil and Gas Properties as set forth on the most recent Reserve Report delivered pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, and (B) for the period thirty-seven (37) to sixty (60) months following the date of execution for such Hedging Transaction, (1) eighty-five percent (85%) of the reasonably anticipated production of crude oil, (2) eighty-five percent (85%) of the reasonably anticipated production of natural gas and (3) eighty-five percent (85%) of the reasonably anticipated production of natural gas liquids and condensate, in each case, as such production is projected from the Borrower's and its Subsidiaries' proved, developed, producing Oil and Gas Properties as set forth on the most recent Reserve Report delivered pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. It is understood that Hedging Transactions in respect of commodities which may, from time to time, "hedge" the same volumes, but different elements of commodity risk thereof, shall not be aggregated together when calculating the foregoing limitations on notional volumes.

(ii) Hedging Transactions effectively converting interest rates from floating to fixed, the notional amounts of which (when aggregated with all other Hedging Transactions of the Borrower then in effect effectively converting interest rates from floating to fixed) do not exceed fifty percent (50%) of the then outstanding principal amount of the Loan Parties' Indebtedness for borrowed money which bears interest at a floating rate, and which Hedging Transactions shall not, in any case, have a tenor beyond the maturity date of such Indebtedness.

(b) In no event shall any Hedging Transaction contain any requirement, agreement or covenant for any Loan Party to post collateral or margin to secure their obligations under such Hedging Transaction or to cover market exposures

(c) The Borrower will not terminate or monetize any Hedging Transaction in respect of commodities without the prior written consent of the Required Lenders, except to the extent such terminations are permitted pursuant to Section 7.6.

Section 7.11. Amendment to Material Documents. The Borrower will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, amend, modify or waive any of its rights under (a) its certificate of incorporation, bylaws or other organizational documents or (b) any Material Agreements, except in any manner that would not have a material adverse effect on the Lenders, the Administrative Agent, the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries.

Section 7.12. Sale or Discount of Receivables. Except for receivables obtained by any Loan Party out of the ordinary course of business or the settlement of joint interest billing accounts in the ordinary course of business or discounts granted to settle collection of accounts receivable or the sale of defaulted accounts arising in the ordinary course of business in connection with the compromise or collection thereof and not in connection with any financing transaction, the Borrower will not, and will not permit any Subsidiary to, discount or sell (with or without recourse) any of its notes receivable or accounts receivable.

Section 7.13. Accounting Changes. The Borrower will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, make any significant change in accounting treatment or reporting practices, except as required by GAAP, or change the fiscal year of the Borrower or of any of its Subsidiaries, except to change the fiscal year of a Subsidiary to conform its fiscal year to that of the Borrower.

Section 7.14. Lease Obligations. The Borrower will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, create or suffer to exist any obligations for the payment under operating leases or agreements to lease (but excluding any obligations under leases required to be classified as Capital Leases under GAAP having a term of five (5) years or more and leases of Hydrocarbon Interests) which would

cause the present value of the direct or contingent liabilities of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries under such leases or agreements to lease, on a consolidated basis, to exceed \$3,500,000 in the aggregate in any Fiscal Year.

Section 7.15. Sanctions and Anti-Corruption Laws. The Borrower will not, and will not permit any Subsidiary to, request any Loan or Letter of Credit or, directly or indirectly, use the proceeds of any Loan or any Letter of Credit, or lend, contribute or otherwise make available such proceeds to any subsidiary, joint venture partner or other Person (i) to fund any activities or business of or with any Person, or in any country or territory, that, at the time of such funding, is the subject of Sanctions, (ii) in any other manner that would result in a violation of Sanctions by any Person (including any Person participating in the Loans or Letters of Credit, whether as the Administrative Agent, any Lender, any Issuing Bank, underwriter, advisor, investor or otherwise), or (iii) in furtherance of an offer, payment, promise to pay or authorization of the payment or giving of money or anything else of value to any Person in violation of applicable Anti-Corruption Laws.

Section 7.16. Gas Imbalances, Take-or-Pay or Other Prepayments. The Borrower will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, allow gas imbalances, take-or-pay or other prepayments with respect to the Oil and Gas Properties of any Loan Party that would require such Loan Party to deliver Hydrocarbons at some future time without then or thereafter receiving full payment therefor to exceed one percent (1%) of the value of the proved, developed, producing Oil and Gas Properties as set forth on the most recent Reserve Report delivered pursuant to the terms of this Agreement in the aggregate.

Section 7.17. Marketing Activities. The Borrower will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, enter into any contracts for the sale of Hydrocarbons other than (a) contracts for the sale of Hydrocarbons reasonably estimated to be produced from the Borrower's or its Subsidiaries' proved Oil and Gas Properties during the period of such contract and (b) contracts for the sale of Hydrocarbons scheduled or reasonably estimated to be produced from proved Oil and Gas Properties of third parties during the period of such contract associated with the Oil and Gas Properties of the Borrower or one (1) of its Subsidiaries that the Borrower or one (1) of its Subsidiaries has the right to sell on behalf of such third parties.

Section 7.18. Non-Qualified ECP Guarantors. The Borrower shall not permit any Loan Party that is not a Qualified ECP Guarantor to own, at any time, any Oil and Gas Properties or any Capital Stock in any Subsidiaries.

Section 7.19. Environmental Matters. The Borrower will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, cause or permit any of its material Property to be in any material violation of, or do anything or permit anything to be done which will subject any such Property to a Release or threatened Release of Hazardous Materials in violation of or to any Remedial Work required under, any Environmental Laws.

ARTICLE VIII

EVENTS OF DEFAULT

Section 8.1. Events of Default. If any of the following events (each, an "Event of Default") shall occur:

- (a) the Borrower shall fail to pay any principal of any Loan or of any reimbursement obligation in respect of any LC Disbursement, when and as the same shall become due and payable, whether at the due date thereof or at a date fixed for prepayment or otherwise; or
- (b) the Borrower shall fail to pay any interest on any Loan or any fee or any other amount (other than an amount payable under subsection (a) of this Section or an amount related to

a Bank Product Obligation) payable under this Agreement or any other Loan Document, when and as the same shall become due and payable, and such failure shall continue unremedied for a period of three (3) Business Days; or

(c) any representation or warranty made or deemed made by or on behalf of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries in or in connection with this Agreement or any other Loan Document (including the Schedules attached hereto and thereto), or in any amendments or modifications hereof or waivers hereunder, or in any certificate, report, financial statement or other document submitted to the Administrative Agent or the Lenders by any Loan Party or any representative of any Loan Party pursuant to or in connection with this Agreement or any other Loan Document shall prove to be incorrect in any material respect (other than any representation or warranty that is expressly qualified by a Material Adverse Effect or other materiality, in which case such representation or warranty shall prove to be incorrect in any respect) when made or deemed made or submitted; or

(d) the Borrower shall fail to observe or perform any covenant or agreement contained in Section 5.2(a), or Section 5.3(a)(i) (with respect to the Borrower's legal existence) or Article VI or Article VII; or

(e) any Loan Party shall fail to observe or perform any covenant or agreement contained in this Agreement (other than those referred to in subsections (a), (b) and (d) of this Section) or any other Loan Document or related to any Bank Product Obligation, and such failure shall remain unremedied for thirty (30) days (or, with respect to (x) Section 5.1(a) and Section 5.1(b) and (y) Section 5.1(c) as it pertains to the Compliance Certificate required to be delivered concurrently with the financial statements required by Section 5.1(a) and Section 5.1(b), fifteen (15) days) after the earlier of (i) any officer of the Borrower becomes aware of such failure, or (ii) notice thereof shall have been given to the Borrower by the Administrative Agent or any Lender; or

(f) (i) the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries (whether as primary obligor or as guarantor or other surety) shall fail to pay any principal of, or premium or interest on, any Material Indebtedness (other than any Hedging Obligation) that is outstanding, when and as the same shall become due and payable (whether at scheduled maturity, required prepayment, acceleration, demand or otherwise), and such failure shall continue after the applicable grace period, if any, specified in the agreement or instrument evidencing or governing such Material Indebtedness; or any other event shall occur or condition shall exist under any agreement or instrument relating to any Material Indebtedness and shall continue after the applicable grace period, if any, specified in such agreement or instrument, if the effect of such event or condition is to accelerate, or permit the acceleration of, the maturity of such Material Indebtedness; or any Material Indebtedness shall be declared to be due and payable, or required to be prepaid or redeemed (other than by a regularly scheduled required prepayment or redemption), purchased or defeased, or any offer to prepay, redeem, purchase or defease such Material Indebtedness shall be required to be made, in each case prior to the stated maturity thereof or (ii) there occurs under any Hedging Transaction an Early Termination Date (as defined in such Hedging Transaction) resulting from (A) any event of default under such Hedging Transaction as to which the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries is the Defaulting Party (as defined in such Hedging Transaction) and the Hedge Termination Value owed by the Borrower or such Subsidiary as a result thereof is greater than \$1,000,000 or (B) any Termination Event (as so defined) under such Hedging Transaction as to which the Borrower or any Subsidiary is an Affected Party (as so defined) and the Hedge Termination Value owed by the Borrower or such Subsidiary as a result thereof is greater than \$1,000,000 and is not paid; or

(g) the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries shall (i) commence a voluntary case or other proceeding or file any petition seeking liquidation, reorganization or other relief under any federal, state or foreign bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law now or hereafter in effect or seeking the appointment of a custodian, trustee, receiver, liquidator or other similar official of it or any substantial part of its property, (ii) consent to the institution of, or fail to contest in a timely and appropriate manner, any proceeding or petition described in subsection (i) of this Section, (iii) apply for or consent to the appointment of a custodian, trustee, receiver, liquidator or other similar official for the Borrower or any such Subsidiary or for a substantial part of its assets, (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) take any action for the purpose of effecting any of the foregoing; or

(h) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed seeking (i) liquidation, reorganization or other relief in respect of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries or its debts, or any substantial part of its assets, under any federal, state or foreign bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law now or hereafter in effect or (ii) the appointment of a custodian, trustee, receiver, liquidator or other similar official for the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries or for a substantial part of its assets, and in any such case, such proceeding or petition shall remain undismissed for a period of sixty (60) days or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered; or

(i) the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries shall become unable to pay, shall admit in writing its inability to pay, or shall fail to pay, its debts as they become due; or

(j) (i) an ERISA Event shall have occurred that, in the opinion of the Required Lenders, when taken together with other ERISA Events that have occurred, could reasonably be expected to result in liability to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in an aggregate amount exceeding \$5,000,000, (ii) there is or arises an Unfunded Pension Liability (not taking into account Plans with negative Unfunded Pension Liability) in an aggregate amount exceeding \$5,000,000, or (iii) there is or arises any potential Withdrawal Liability in an aggregate amount exceeding \$5,000,000; or

(k) any final judgment or order for the payment of money, less any insurance proceeds covering such judgment or order which are received or as to which the insurance carriers admit liability, in excess of \$10,000,000 in the aggregate, shall be rendered against the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries which judgment or order is not satisfied, vacated, discharged or effectively waived or stayed, and either (i) (A) enforcement proceedings shall have been commenced by any creditor upon such judgment or order as a result of non-payment of such judgment or order in a timely manner and (B) such enforcement proceedings have not been stayed by reason of a pending appeal or otherwise, or (ii) there shall be a period of sixty (60) consecutive days during which a stay of enforcement of such judgment or order, by reason of a pending appeal or otherwise, shall not be in effect; or

(l) any non-monetary judgment or order shall be rendered against the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries that could reasonably be expected, either individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect, and there shall be a period of thirty (30) consecutive days during which a stay of enforcement of such judgment or order, by reason of a pending appeal or otherwise, shall not be in effect; or

(m) a Change in Control shall occur or exist; or

(n) any provision of this Agreement, the Guaranty and Security Agreement or any other Collateral Document shall for any reason cease to be valid and binding on, or enforceable

against, any Loan Party, or any Loan Party shall so state in writing, or any Loan Party shall seek to terminate its obligation under this Agreement, the Guaranty and Security Agreement or any other Collateral Document (other than the release of any guaranty or collateral to the extent permitted pursuant to Section 9.11); or

(o) any Lien purported to be created under any Collateral Document shall fail or cease to be by an act of any Loan Party, or shall be asserted by any Loan Party not to be, a valid and perfected Lien on any material portion of the Collateral, with the priority required by the applicable Collateral Documents, subject to the exceptions set forth herein or therein;

then, and in every such event (other than an event with respect to the Borrower described in (g), (h) or (i)) and at any time thereafter during the continuance of such event, the Administrative Agent may, and upon the written 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 the Commitments, whereupon the Commitment of each Lender shall terminate immediately, (ii) declare the principal of and any accrued interest on the Loans, and all other Obligations owing hereunder, to be, whereupon the same shall become, due and payable immediately, without presentment, demand, protest, notice of intent to accelerate, notice of acceleration, or other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby waived by the Borrower, (iii) exercise all remedies contained in any other Loan Document, (iv) require that the Borrower Cash Collateralize the LC Exposure (in an amount equal to one hundred five percent (105%) of the LC Exposure) and (v) exercise any other remedies available at law or in equity; *provided that*, if an Event of Default specified in (g), (h) or (i) shall occur, the Commitments shall automatically terminate and the principal of the Loans then outstanding, together with accrued interest thereon, all fees and all other Obligations shall automatically become due and payable, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby waived by the Borrower, and the obligation of the Borrower to Cash Collateralize the LC Exposure (in an amount equal to one hundred five percent (105%) of the LC Exposure) shall be automatically effective. Notwithstanding anything herein or otherwise to the contrary, any Event of Default occurring hereunder shall continue to exist (and shall be deemed to be continuing) until such time as such Event of Default is waived in writing in accordance with the terms of Section 10.2 notwithstanding (x) any attempted cure or other action taken by the Borrower or any other Person subsequent to the occurrence of such Event of Default or (y) any action taken or omitted to be taken by the Administrative Agent or any Lender prior to or subsequent to the occurrence of such Event of Default (other than the granting of a waiver in writing in accordance with the terms of Section 10.2).

Section 8.2. Application of Proceeds from Collateral. All proceeds from each sale of, or other realization upon, all or any part of the Collateral by any Secured Party after an Event of Default arises shall be applied as follows:

(a) first, to the reimbursable expenses of the Administrative Agent incurred in connection with such sale or other realization upon the Collateral, until the same shall have been paid in full;

(b) second, to the fees and other reimbursable expenses and indemnities of the Administrative Agent, the Joint Lead Arrangers and the Issuing Banks then due and payable pursuant to any of the Loan Documents, until the same shall have been paid in full;

(c) third, to all reimbursable expenses, if any, of the Lenders then due and payable pursuant to any of the Loan Documents, until the same shall have been paid in full;

(d) fourth, to the fees and interest then due and payable under the terms of this Agreement, until the same shall have been paid in full;

(e) fifth, to the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the Loans, the LC Exposure, the Bank Product Obligations and the Hedging Obligations that constitute Obligations, until the same shall have been paid in full, allocated *pro rata* among the Secured Parties based on their respective *pro rata* shares of the aggregate amount of such Loans, LC Exposure, Bank Product Obligations and such Hedging Obligations;

(f) sixth, to additional cash collateral for the aggregate amount of all outstanding Letters of Credit until the aggregate amount of all cash collateral held by the Administrative Agent pursuant to this Agreement is at least one hundred five percent (105%) of the LC Exposure after giving effect to the foregoing clause fifth; and

(g) seventh, to the extent any proceeds remain, to the Borrower or as otherwise provided by a court of competent jurisdiction.

All amounts allocated pursuant to the foregoing clauses third through fifth to the Lenders as a result of amounts owed to the Lenders under the Loan Documents shall be allocated among, and distributed to, the Lenders *pro rata* based on their respective Pro Rata Shares; *provided* that all amounts allocated to that portion of the LC Exposure comprised of the aggregate undrawn amount of all outstanding Letters of Credit pursuant to clauses fifth and sixth shall be distributed to the Administrative Agent, rather than to the Lenders, and held by the Administrative Agent in an account in the name of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Issuing Banks and the Lenders as cash collateral for the LC Exposure, such account to be administered in accordance with Section 2.21(g). All cash collateral for LC Exposure shall be applied to satisfy drawings under the Letters of Credit as they occur; if any amount remains on deposit on cash collateral after all letters of credit have either been fully drawn or expired, such remaining amount shall be applied to other Obligations, if any, in the order set forth above.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, (a) no amount received from any Guarantor (including any proceeds of any sale of, or other realization upon, all or any part of the Collateral owned by such Guarantor) shall be applied to any Excluded Swap Obligation of such Guarantor and (b) Bank Product Obligations and Hedging Obligations shall be excluded from the application described above if the Administrative Agent has not received written notice thereof, together with such supporting documentation as the Administrative Agent may request, from the Bank Product Provider or the Lender-Related Hedge Provider, as the case may be; *provided* that the Administrative Agent shall give each Bank Product Provider and each Lender-Related Hedge Provider at least five (5) Business Days' prior written notice of the date it intends to apply proceeds and other amounts pursuant to the application described in Section 8.2 above. Each Bank Product Provider or Lender-Related Hedge Provider that has given the notice contemplated by the preceding sentence shall, by such notice, be deemed to have acknowledged and accepted the appointment of the Administrative Agent pursuant to the terms of Article IX hereof for itself and its Affiliates as if a "Lender" party hereto.

ARTICLE IX

THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT

Section 9.1. Appointment of the Administrative Agent.

(a) Each Lender and each Issuing Bank irrevocably appoints Bank of America, N.A., as the Administrative Agent and authorizes it to take such actions on its behalf and to exercise such powers as are delegated to the Administrative Agent under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, together with all such actions and powers that are reasonably incidental thereto. The provisions of this Article IX are solely for the benefit of the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and

the Issuing Banks, and neither the Borrower nor any other Loan Party shall have rights as a third party beneficiary of any of such provisions.

(b) Each Issuing Bank shall act on behalf of the Lenders with respect to any Letters of Credit issued by it and the documents associated therewith until such time and except for so long as the Administrative Agent may agree at the request of the Required Lenders to act for such Issuing Bank with respect thereto; *provided* that each Issuing Bank shall have all the benefits and immunities (i) provided to the Administrative Agent in this Article with respect to any acts taken or omissions suffered by such Issuing Bank in connection with Letters of Credit issued by it or proposed to be issued by it and the application and agreements for letters of credit pertaining to the Letters of Credit as fully as if the term “Administrative Agent” as used in this Article included the Issuing Banks with respect to such acts or omissions and (ii) as additionally provided in this Agreement with respect to the Issuing Banks.

(c) It is understood and agreed that the use of the term “agent” herein or in any other Loan Document (or any similar term) with reference to the Administrative Agent is not intended to connote any fiduciary or other implied (or express) obligations arising under agency doctrine of any applicable law. Instead such term is used as a matter of market custom and is intended to create or reflect only an administrative relationship between contracting parties.

Section 9.2. Nature of Duties of the Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent shall not have any duties or obligations except those expressly set forth in this Agreement and the other Loan Document, and its duties hereunder and thereunder shall be purely administrative in nature. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, (a) the Administrative Agent shall not be subject to any fiduciary or other implied duties, regardless of whether a Default or an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, (b) the Administrative Agent shall not have any duty to take any discretionary action or exercise any discretionary powers, except those discretionary rights and powers expressly contemplated by the Loan Documents that the Administrative Agent is required to exercise in writing by the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary under the circumstances as provided in Section 10.2), *provided* that the Administrative Agent shall not be required to take any action that, in its opinion or the opinion of its counsel, may expose the Administrative Agent to liability or that is contrary to any Loan Document or applicable law, including for the avoidance of doubt any action that may be in violation of the automatic stay under any Debtor Relief Law or that may effect a forfeiture, modification or termination of property of a Defaulting Lender in violation of any Debtor Relief Law; and (c) except as expressly set forth in the Loan Documents, the Administrative Agent shall not have any duty to disclose, and shall not be liable for the failure to disclose, any information relating to the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries that is communicated to or obtained by the Administrative Agent or any of its branches or Affiliates in any capacity. The Administrative Agent shall not be liable for any action taken or not taken by it, its sub-agents or its attorneys-in-fact with the consent or at the request of the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary, or as the Administrative Agent shall believe in good faith shall be necessary, under the circumstances as provided in Section 10.2 and Section 8.1) or in the absence of its own gross negligence or willful misconduct as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction by final and non-appealable judgment. The Administrative Agent shall not be responsible for the negligence or misconduct of any sub-agents or attorneys-in-fact except to the extent that a court of competent jurisdiction determines in a final non-appealable judgment that the Administrative Agent acted with gross negligence or willful misconduct in the selection of such sub-agent or attorneys-in-fact. The Administrative Agent shall not be deemed to have knowledge of any Default or Event of Default unless and until written notice thereof (which notice shall include an express reference to such event being a “Default” or “Event of Default” hereunder) is given to the Administrative Agent by the Borrower or any Lender, and the Administrative Agent shall not be responsible for or have any duty to ascertain or inquire into (i) any statement, warranty or representation made in or in connection with any Loan Document, (ii)

the contents of any certificate, report or other document delivered hereunder or thereunder or in connection herewith or therewith, (iii) the performance or observance of any of the covenants, agreements, or other terms and conditions set forth in any Loan Document, (iv) the validity, enforceability, effectiveness or genuineness of any Loan Document or any other agreement, instrument or document, or the creation, perfection or priority of any Lien purported to be created by the Collateral Documents, (v) the value or the sufficiency of any Collateral or (vi) the satisfaction of any condition set forth in Article III or elsewhere in any Loan Document, other than to confirm receipt of items expressly required to be delivered to the Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent may consult with legal counsel (including counsel for the Borrower), independent accountants and other experts selected by it, and shall not be liable for any action taken or not taken by it in accordance with the advice of any such counsel, account or experts.

Section 9.3. Lack of Reliance on the Administrative Agent and the Joint Lead Arrangers.

Each Lender and each Issuing Bank expressly acknowledges that none of the Administrative Agent nor the Lead Arranger has made any representation or warranty to it, and that no act by the Administrative Agent or the Lead Arranger hereafter taken, including any consent to, and acceptance of any assignment or review of the affairs of any Loan Party of any Affiliate thereof, shall be deemed to constitute any representation or warranty by the Administrative Agent or the Lead Arranger to any Lender or each Issuing Bank as to any matter, including whether the Administrative Agent or the Lead Arranger have disclosed material information in their (or their Related Parties') possession. Each Lender and each Issuing Bank represents to the Administrative Agent and the Lead Arranger that it has, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent, any Joint Lead Arranger, any Issuing Bank or any other Lender or any of their Related Parties and based on such documents and information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own credit analysis of, appraisal of, and investigation into, the business, prospects, operations, property, financial and other condition and creditworthiness of the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries, and all applicable bank or other regulatory laws relating to the transactions contemplated hereby, and made its own decision to enter into this Agreement and to extend credit to the Borrower hereunder. Each of the Lenders and the Issuing Banks also acknowledge that it will, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent, the Joint Lead Arrangers, the Issuing Banks, any other Lender or any of their Related Parties and based on such documents and information as it has deemed appropriate, continue to make its own credit analysis, appraisals and decisions in taking or not taking any action under or based on this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any related agreement or any document furnished hereunder or thereunder, and to make such investigations as it deems necessary to inform itself as to the business, prospects, operations, property, financial and other condition and creditworthiness of the Loan Parties. Each Lender and each Issuing Bank represents and warrants that (i) the Loan Documents set forth the terms of a commercial lending facility and certain other facilities set forth herein and (ii) it is engaged in making, acquiring or holding commercial loans, issuing or participating in letters of credit or providing other similar facilities in the ordinary course and is entering into this Agreement as a Lender or Issuing Bank for the purpose of making, acquiring or holding commercial loans, issuing or participating in letters of credit and providing other facilities set forth herein as may be applicable to such Lender or Issuing Bank, and not for the purpose of purchasing, acquiring or holding any other type of financial instrument, and each Lender and each Issuing Bank agrees not to assert a claim in contravention of the foregoing. Each Lender and each Issuing Bank represents and warrants that it is sophisticated with respect to decisions to make, acquire and/or hold commercial loans, issue or participate in letters of credit and to provide other facilities set forth herein, as may be applicable to such Lender or such Issuing Bank, and either it, or the Person exercising discretion in making its decision to make, acquire and/or hold such commercial loans, issue or participate in letters of credit or to provide such other facilities, is experienced in making, acquiring or holding such commercial loans, issue or participate in letters of credit or providing such other facilities.

Section 9.4. Certain Rights of the Administrative Agent. If the Administrative Agent shall request instructions from the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary, or as the Administrative Agent shall believe in good faith shall be necessary, under the

circumstances as provided in Section 10.2 and Section 8.1) with respect to any action or actions (including the failure to act) in connection with this Agreement, the Administrative Agent shall be entitled to refrain from such act or taking such act unless and until it shall have received instructions from such Lenders, and the Administrative Agent shall not incur liability to any Person by reason of so refraining. Without limiting the foregoing, no Lender shall have any right of action whatsoever against the Administrative Agent as a result of the Administrative Agent acting or refraining from acting hereunder in accordance with the instructions of the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary, or as the Administrative Agent shall believe in good faith shall be necessary, under the circumstances as provided in Section 10.2 and Section 8.1) where required by the terms of this Agreement.

Section 9.5. Reliance by the Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent shall be entitled to rely upon, and shall not incur any liability for relying upon, any notice, request, certificate, consent, statement, instrument, document or other writing (including any electronic message, posting or other distribution) believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed, sent or made by the proper Person. The Administrative Agent may also rely upon any statement made to it orally or by telephone and believed by it to be made by the proper Person and shall not incur any liability for relying thereon. The Administrative Agent may consult with legal counsel (including counsel for the Borrower), independent public 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 such counsel, accountants or experts.

Section 9.6. The Administrative Agent in its Individual Capacity. The bank serving as the Administrative Agent shall have the same rights and powers under this Agreement and any other Loan Document in its capacity as a Lender or Issuing Bank as any other Lender or Issuing Bank and may exercise or refrain from exercising the same as though it were not the Administrative Agent; and the terms “Lenders”, “Required Lenders”, or any similar terms shall, unless the context clearly otherwise indicates, include the Administrative Agent in its individual capacity. The bank acting as the Administrative Agent and its branches and Affiliates may accept deposits from, lend money to, and generally engage in any kind of business with the Borrower or any Subsidiary or Affiliate of the Borrower as if it were not the Administrative Agent hereunder.

Section 9.7. Successor Administrative Agent.

(a) The Administrative Agent may resign at any time by giving notice thereof to the Lenders and the Borrower. Upon any such resignation, the Required Lenders shall have the right to appoint a successor Administrative Agent, subject to approval by the Borrower, *provided* that no Default or Event of Default shall exist at such time. If no successor Administrative Agent shall have been so appointed, and shall have accepted such appointment within thirty (30) days after the retiring Administrative Agent gives notice of resignation, then the retiring Administrative Agent may (but shall not be obligated to), on behalf of the Lenders, appoint a successor Administrative Agent which shall be a commercial bank organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof or a bank which maintains an office in the United States. Any resignation by the Administrative Agent pursuant to this Section shall also constitute its resignation as the Issuing Bank. Upon the acceptance of a successor's appointment as Administrative Agent hereunder: (i) such successor (or another Lender party to this Agreement) shall succeed to and become vested with all of the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring Issuing Bank; (ii) the retiring Issuing Bank shall be discharged from all of its duties and obligations hereunder or under the other Loan Documents as of the date of such resignation or removal; and (iii) the successor Issuing Bank shall issue letters of credit in substitution for the Letters of Credit, if any, outstanding at the time of such succession or make other arrangement reasonably satisfactory to the retiring Issuing Bank to effectively assume the obligations of the retiring Issuing Bank with respect to such Letters of Credit. To the extent the retiring Administrative Agent is holding cash, deposit account balances

or other credit support as collateral for Cash Collateralized Letters of Credit, the retiring Administrative Agent shall at or reasonably promptly following its resignation cause such collateral to be transferred to the successor Administrative Agent or, if no successor Administrative Agent has been appointed and accepted such appointment, to the respective Issuing Banks ratably according to the outstanding amount of Cash Collateralized Letters of Credit issued by them, in each case to be held as collateral for such Cash Collateralized Letters of Credit in accordance with this Agreement.

(b) If the Person serving as Administrative Agent is a Defaulting Lender pursuant to clause (d) of the definition thereof, the Required Lenders may, to the extent permitted by applicable law, by notice in writing to the Borrower and such Person remove such Person as Administrative Agent and, in consultation with the Borrower, appoint a successor. If no such successor shall have been so appointed by the Required Lenders and shall have accepted such appointment within thirty (30) days (or such earlier day as shall be agreed by the Required Lenders), then such removal shall nonetheless become effective in accordance with such notice on such date. Except for any indemnity payments or other amounts then owed to the retiring or removed Administrative Agent, all payments, communications and determinations provided to be made by, to or through the Administrative Agent shall instead be made by or to each Lender and the Issuing Bank, until such time, if any, as the Required Lenders appoint a successor Administrative Agent as provided for above.

(c) Upon the acceptance of its appointment as the Administrative Agent hereunder by a successor, such successor Administrative Agent shall thereupon succeed to and become vested with all of the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring (or removed) Administrative Agent (other than as provided in Section 2.19(g) and other than any rights to indemnity payments or other amounts owed to the retiring or removed Administrative Agent as of such date of resignation or removal, as applicable), and the retiring or removed Administrative Agent shall be discharged from its duties and obligations under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents. The fees payable by the Borrower to a successor Administrative Agent shall be the same as those payable to its predecessor unless otherwise agreed between the Borrower and such successor. If, within thirty (30) days after written notice is given of the retiring Administrative Agent's resignation under this Section, no successor Administrative Agent shall have been appointed and shall have accepted such appointment, then on such thirtieth (30th) day (i) the retiring or removed Administrative Agent's resignation shall become effective, (ii) the retiring Administrative Agent shall thereupon be discharged from its duties and obligations under the Loan Documents and (iii) the Required Lenders shall thereafter perform all duties of the retiring Administrative Agent under the Loan Documents until such time as the Required Lenders appoint a successor Administrative Agent as provided above. After any retiring Administrative Agent's resignation hereunder, the provisions of this Article IX and Section 10.3 shall continue in effect for the benefit of such retiring or removed Administrative Agent and its representatives and agents in respect of any actions taken or not taken by any of them (A) while the retiring or removed Administrative Agent was acting as Administrative Agent and (B) after such resignation or removal for as long as any of them continues to act in any capacity hereunder or under the other Loan Documents, including (1) acting as collateral agent or otherwise holding any collateral security on behalf of any of the Lenders and (2) in respect of any actions taken in connection with transferring the agency to any successor Administrative Agent.

(d) In addition to the foregoing, if a Lender becomes, and during the period it remains, a Defaulting Lender, and if any Default has arisen from a failure of the Borrower to comply with Section 2.24(a), then any Issuing Bank may, upon prior written notice to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, resign as Issuing Bank effective at 5 p.m. New York, New York time on the

Business Day specified in such notice (which date may not be less than five (5) Business Days after the date of such notice).

Section 9.8. Withholding Tax. To the extent required by any applicable law, the Administrative Agent may withhold from any interest payment to any Lender an amount equivalent to any applicable withholding tax. If the Internal Revenue Service or any authority of the United States or any 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 (because the appropriate form was not delivered or 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, or for any other reason), such Lender shall indemnify the Administrative Agent (to the extent that the Administrative Agent has not already been reimbursed by the Borrower and without limiting the obligation of the Borrower to do so) fully for all amounts paid, directly or indirectly, by the Administrative Agent as tax or otherwise, including penalties and interest, together with all expenses incurred, including legal expenses, allocated staff costs and any out of pocket expenses.

Section 9.9. The Administrative Agent May File Proofs of Claim; Credit Bidding.

(a) In case of the pendency of any receivership, insolvency, liquidation, bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, composition or other judicial proceeding relative to any Loan Party, the Administrative Agent (irrespective of whether the principal of any Loan or any Credit Exposure 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:

(i) to file and prove a claim for the whole amount of the principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Loans or Credit Exposure and all other Obligations that are owing and unpaid and to file such other documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Lenders, the Issuing Banks and the Administrative Agent (including any claim for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Lenders, the Issuing Banks and the Administrative Agent and its agents and counsel and all other amounts due the Lenders, the Issuing Banks and the Administrative Agent under Section 10.3) allowed in such judicial proceeding; and

(ii) to collect and receive any monies or other property payable or deliverable on any such claims and to distribute the same.

(b) Any custodian, receiver, assignee, trustee, liquidator, sequestrator or other similar official in any such judicial proceeding is hereby authorized by each Lender and each 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 Section 10.3.

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 any Issuing Bank any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Obligations or the rights of any Lender or to authorize the Administrative Agent to vote in respect of the claim of any Lender in any such proceeding.

The Secured Parties hereby irrevocably authorize the Administrative Agent, at the direction of the Required Lenders, to credit bid all or any portion of the Obligations (including accepting some or all of the

Collateral in satisfaction of some or all of the Secured Obligations pursuant to a deed in lieu of foreclosure or otherwise) and in such manner purchase (either directly or through one or more acquisition vehicles) all or any portion of the Collateral (a) at any sale thereof conducted under the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code of the United States, including under Sections 363, 1123 or 1129 of the Bankruptcy Code of the United States, or any similar Laws in any other jurisdictions to which a Loan Party is subject, (b) at any other sale or foreclosure or acceptance of collateral in lieu of debt conducted by (or with the consent or at the direction of) the Administrative Agent (whether by judicial action or otherwise) in accordance with any applicable law. In connection with any such credit bid and purchase, the Obligations owed to the Secured Parties shall be entitled to be, and shall be, credit bid on a ratable basis (with Obligations with respect to contingent or unliquidated claims receiving contingent interests in the acquired assets on a ratable basis that would vest upon the liquidation of such claims in an amount proportional to the liquidated portion of the contingent claim amount used in allocating the contingent interests) in the asset or assets so purchased (or in the equity interests or debt instruments of the acquisition vehicle or vehicles that are used to consummate such purchase). In connection with any such bid (i) the Administrative Agent shall be authorized to form one or more acquisition vehicles to make a bid, (ii) to adopt documents providing for the governance of the acquisition vehicle or vehicles (*provided* that any actions by the Administrative Agent with respect to such acquisition vehicle or vehicles, including any disposition of the assets or equity interests thereof shall be governed, directly or indirectly, by the vote of the Required Lenders, irrespective of the termination of this Agreement and without giving effect to the limitations on actions by the Required Lenders contained in Section 10.2(b) of this Agreement), and (iii) to the extent that Obligations that are assigned to an acquisition vehicle are not used to acquire Collateral for any reason (as a result of another bid being higher or better, because the amount of Obligations assigned to the acquisition vehicle exceeds the amount of debt credit bid by the acquisition vehicle or otherwise), such Obligations shall automatically be reassigned to the Lenders pro rata and the equity interests and/or debt instruments issued by any acquisition vehicle on account of the Obligations that had been assigned to the acquisition vehicle shall automatically be cancelled, without the need for any Secured Party or any acquisition vehicle to take any further action.

Section 9.10. Authorization to Execute Other Loan Documents. Each Lender and each Issuing Bank hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to execute on behalf of such Lender or Issuing Bank, as applicable, all Loan Documents (including, without limitation, the Collateral Documents and any subordination agreements) other than this Agreement.

Section 9.11. Collateral and Guaranty Matters. The Lenders and the Issuing Banks irrevocably authorize the Administrative Agent, at its option and in its discretion:

(a) to release any Lien on any property granted to or held by the Administrative Agent under any Loan Document (i) upon the termination of all Commitments, the Cash Collateralization of all reimbursement obligations with respect to Letters of Credit in an amount equal to one hundred five percent (105%) of the aggregate LC Exposure of all Lenders, the termination of all Hedging Transactions with Lender-Related Hedge Providers (or the collateralization or other arrangements being made with respect to such Hedging Transactions, in each case, satisfactory to the Lender-Related Hedge Providers), and the payment in full of all Obligations (other than contingent indemnification obligations, such Cash Collateralized reimbursement obligations and obligations under such Hedging Transactions that have been collateralized or for which other arrangements have been made), (ii) that is sold or to be sold as part of or in connection with any sale permitted hereunder or under any other Loan Document, or (iii) if approved, authorized or ratified in writing in accordance with Section 10.2; and

(b) to release any Loan Party from its obligations under the applicable Collateral Documents if such Person ceases to be a Subsidiary as a result of a transaction permitted hereunder.

Upon request by the Administrative Agent at any time, the Required Lenders will confirm in writing the Administrative Agent's authority to release its interest in particular types or items of property, or to release any Loan Party from its obligations under the applicable Collateral Documents pursuant to this Section. In each case as specified in this Section, the Administrative Agent is authorized, at the Borrower's expense, to execute and deliver to the applicable Loan Party such documents as such Loan Party may reasonably request to evidence the release of such item of Collateral from the Liens granted under the applicable Collateral Documents, or to release such Loan Party from its obligations under the applicable Collateral Documents, in each case in accordance with the terms of the Loan Documents and this Section.

Section 9.12. Right to Realize on Collateral and Enforce Guarantee. Anything contained in any of the Loan Documents to the contrary notwithstanding, the Borrower, the Administrative Agent, each Lender and each Issuing Bank hereby agree that no Lender shall have any right individually to realize upon any of the Collateral or to enforce the Collateral Documents, it being understood and agreed that all powers, rights and remedies hereunder and under the Collateral Documents may be exercised solely by the Administrative Agent.

Section 9.13. Secured Bank Product Obligations and Hedging Obligations. No Bank Product Provider or Lender-Related Hedge Provider that obtains the benefits of Section 8.2, the Collateral Documents or any Collateral by virtue of the provisions hereof or of any other Loan 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 (a) in its capacity as a Lender and, in such case, only to the extent expressly provided in the Loan Documents or (b) as expressly set forth in the last paragraph of Section 8.2, Section 9.11(a) and Section 10.2(b). Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article to the contrary, the Administrative Agent shall not be required to verify the payment of, or that other satisfactory arrangements have been made with respect to, Bank Product Obligations and Hedging Obligations 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 Bank Product Provider or Lender-Related Hedge Provider, as the case may be.

Section 9.14. Recovery of Erroneous Payments. Without limitation of any other provision in this Agreement, if at any time the Administrative Agent makes a payment hereunder in error to any Lender Recipient Party, whether or not in respect of an Obligation due and owing by the Borrower at such time, where such payment is a Rescindable Amount, then in any such event, each Lender Recipient Party receiving a Rescindable Amount severally agrees to repay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand the Rescindable Amount received by such Lender Recipient Party in immediately available funds in the currency so received, with interest thereon, for each day from and including the date such Rescindable Amount is received by it to but excluding the date of payment to the Administrative Agent, at the greater of the Federal Funds Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation. Each Lender Recipient Party irrevocably waives any and all defenses, including any "discharge for value" (under which a creditor might otherwise claim a right to retain funds mistakenly paid by a third party in respect of a debt owed by another) or similar defense to its obligation to return any Rescindable Amount. The Administrative Agent shall inform each Lender Recipient Party promptly upon determining that any payment made to such Lender Recipient Party comprised, in whole or in part, a Rescindable Amount.

Section 9.15. Delegation of Duties. The Administrative Agent may perform any and all of its duties and exercise its rights and powers hereunder or under any other Loan Document by or through any one or more sub-agents appointed by the Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent and any such sub-agent may perform any and all of its duties and exercise its rights and powers by or through their respective Related Parties. The exculpatory provisions of this Article IX shall apply to any such sub-agent

and to the Related Parties of the Administrative Agent and any such sub-agent, and shall apply to their respective activities in connection with the syndication of the credit facilities provided for herein as well as activities as Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent shall not be responsible for the negligence or misconduct of any sub-agents except to the extent that a court of competent jurisdiction determines in a final and nonappealable judgment that the Administrative Agent acted with gross negligence or willful misconduct in the selection of such sub-agents.

Section 9.16. No Other Duties, Etc. Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, none of the bookrunners, arrangers, documentation agents or other titles listed on the cover page hereof shall have any powers, duties or responsibilities under this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents, except in its capacity, as applicable, as the Administrative Agent, a Lender or an Issuing Bank hereunder.

ARTICLE X

MISCELLANEOUS

Section 10.1. Notices.

(a) Written Notices.

(i) Except in the case of notices and other communications expressly permitted to be given by telephone (and except as provided in subsection (b) below), all notices and other communications to any party herein to be effective shall be in writing and shall be delivered by hand or overnight courier service, mailed by certified or registered mail or sent by facsimile or electronic mail as follows, and all notices and other communications expressly permitted hereunder to be given by telephone shall be made to the applicable telephone number, as follows:

To the Borrower:	Ring Energy, Inc. 1725 Hughes Landing Blvd. Suite 900 The Woodlands, Texas 77380 Attention: Travis T. Thomas E-mail: [REDACTED] Facsimile Number: [REDACTED]
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With a copy to (for information purposes only):	Jones & Keller, P.C. 1675 Broadway, 28 th Floor Denver, Colorado 80202 Attention: Ryan M. Behrman Adam J. Fogoros Email: [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Facsimile Number: [REDACTED]
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To the Administrative Agent: Bank of America, N.A.
[REDACTED]
Attention: [REDACTED]
Email: [REDACTED]
Primary Telephone Number: [REDACTED]
Secondary Telephone Number: [REDACTED]

With a copy to (for
Information purposes only): Bank of America, N.A.
[REDACTED]
Attention: [REDACTED]
Email: [REDACTED]
Telephone Number: [REDACTED]
Facsimile Number: [REDACTED]

To Bank of America, N.A.,
as Issuing Bank: Bank of America, N.A.
[REDACTED]
Attention: [REDACTED]
Email: [REDACTED]
Telephone: [REDACTED]

To any other Issuing Bank: the address, facsimile number, electronic mail address or
telephone number as shall be designated by such Issuing
Bank in a notice to the other parties hereto

To any other Lender: the address, facsimile number, electronic mail address or
telephone number specified in its Administrative
Questionnaire (including, as appropriate, notices
delivered solely to the Person designated by a Lender on
its Administrative Questionnaire then in effect for the
delivery of notices that may contain material non-public
information relating to the Borrower)

Notices and other communications sent by hand or overnight courier service, or mailed by certified or registered mail, shall be deemed to have been given when received; notices and other communications sent by facsimile shall be deemed to have been given when sent (except that, if not given during normal business hours for the recipient, shall be deemed to have been given at the opening of business on the next Business Day for the recipient). Notices and other communications delivered through electronic communications to the extent provided in subsection (b) below shall be effective as provided in such subsection (b).

(ii) Any agreement of the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank or any Lender herein to receive certain notices by telephone or facsimile is solely for the convenience and at the request of the Borrower. The Administrative Agent, each Issuing Bank and each Lender shall be entitled to rely on the authority of any Person purporting to be a Person authorized by the Borrower to give such notice and the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Banks and the Lenders shall not have any liability to the Borrower or other Person on account of any action taken or not taken by the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank or any Lender in reliance upon such telephonic or facsimile notice. The obligation of the Borrower to repay the Loans and all other Obligations hereunder shall not be affected in any way or to any extent by any failure of the

Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender to receive written confirmation of any telephonic or facsimile notice or the receipt by the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank or any Lender of a confirmation which is at variance with the terms understood by the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank and such Lender to be contained in any such telephonic or facsimile notice.

(b) Electronic Communications.

(i) Notices and other communications to the Lenders and the Issuing Banks hereunder may be delivered or furnished by electronic communication (including e-mail, FpML messaging, and Internet or intranet websites) pursuant to procedures approved by the Administrative Agent, *provided* that the foregoing shall not apply to notices to any Lender or any Issuing Bank pursuant to Article II unless such Lender or such Issuing Bank, as applicable, has notified the Administrative Agent that it is incapable of receiving notices under such Article II by electronic communication. The Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank or the Borrower may each, in its discretion, agree to accept notices and other communications to it hereunder by electronic communications pursuant to procedures approved by it; *provided* that approval of such procedures may be limited to particular notices or communications.

(ii) Unless the Administrative Agent otherwise prescribes, (A) notices and other communications sent to an e-mail address shall be deemed received upon the sender's receipt of an acknowledgement from the intended recipient (such as by the "return receipt requested" function, as available, return e-mail or other written acknowledgement) and (B) notices or communications posted to an Internet or intranet website shall be deemed received upon the deemed receipt by the intended recipient at its e-mail address as described in the foregoing clause (A) of notification that such notice or communication is available and identifying the website address therefor; *provided* that, in the case of clauses (A) and (B) above, if such notice, email or other communication is not sent during the normal business hours of the recipient, such notice, email or communication shall be deemed to have been sent at the opening of business on the next Business Day for the recipient.

(iii) The Borrower agrees that the Administrative Agent may, but shall not be obligated to, make Communications available to the Issuing Banks and the Lenders by posting the Communications on Debt Domain, Intralinks, Syndtrak, ClearPar or a substantially similar electronic system.

(iv) THE PLATFORM IS PROVIDED "AS IS" AND "AS AVAILABLE." NEITHER THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT NOR ANY OF ITS RELATED PARTIES WARRANT THE ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY OR ON BEHALF OF THE BORROWER ("BORROWER MATERIALS") OR THE ADEQUACY OF THE PLATFORM, AND EXPRESSLY DISCLAIM LIABILITY FOR ERRORS IN OR OMISSIONS FROM THE COMMUNICATIONS (AS DEFINED BELOW) AND FROM THE BORROWER MATERIALS. NO WARRANTY OF ANY KIND, EXPRESS, IMPLIED OR STATUTORY, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, NONINFRINGEMENT OF THIRD PARTY RIGHTS OR FREEDOM FROM VIRUSES OR OTHER CODE DEFECTS, IS MADE BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT OR ANY OF ITS RELATED PARTIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE BORROWER MATERIALS OR THE PLATFORM. IN NO EVENT SHALL THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT OR ANY OF ITS RELATED PARTIES HAVE ANY LIABILITY TO ANY LOAN PARTY OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE SUBSIDIARIES, ANY LENDER, ANY ISSUING BANK OR ANY OTHER PERSON OR ENTITY FOR LOSSES, CLAIMS, DAMAGES, LIABILITIES OR EXPENSES OF ANY KIND, INCLUDING, WITHOUT

LIMITATION, DIRECT OR INDIRECT, SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, LOSSES OR EXPENSES, WHETHER OR NOT BASED ON STRICT LIABILITY (WHETHER IN TORT, CONTRACT OR OTHERWISE), ARISING OUT OF ANY LOAN PARTY'S OR THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT'S TRANSMISSION OF BORROWER MATERIALS OR NOTICES THROUGH THE PLATFORM, ANY OTHER ELECTRONIC PLATFORM OR ELECTRONIC MESSAGING SERVICE, OR THROUGH THE INTERNET, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT THAT SUCH LOSSES, CLAIMS, DAMAGES, LIABILITIES OR EXPENSES ARE DETERMINED BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION BY A FINAL AND NON-APPEALABLE JUDGMENT TO HAVE RESULTED FROM THE GROSS NEGLIGENCE OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT OR SUCH RELATED PARTY; *PROVIDED, HOWEVER*, THAT IN NO EVENT SHALL THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT OR ANY RELATED PARTY HAVE ANY LIABILITY TO ANY LOAN PARTY OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE SUBSIDIARIES, ANY LENDER, ANY ISSUING BANK OR ANY OTHER PERSON FOR INDIRECT, SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES (AS OPPOSED TO DIRECT OR ACTUAL DAMAGES) ARISING OUT OF ANY LOAN PARTY'S OR THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT'S TRANSMISSION OF COMMUNICATIONS.

(v) The Borrower hereby acknowledges that certain of the Lenders (each, a "Public Lender") may have personnel who do not wish to receive material non-public information with respect to the Borrower or its Affiliates, or the respective securities of any of the foregoing, and who may be engaged in investment and other market-related activities with respect to such Persons' securities. 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 (A) 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; (B) by marking Borrower Materials "PUBLIC," the Borrower shall be deemed to have authorized the Administrative Agent, the Lead Arranger, any Issuing Bank and the Lenders to treat such Borrower Materials as not containing any material non-public information (although it may be sensitive and proprietary) with respect to the Borrower or its securities for purposes of United States Federal and state securities laws (*provided, however*, that to the extent such Borrower Materials constitute Information, they shall be treated as set forth in Section 10.11); (C) all Borrower Materials marked "PUBLIC" are permitted to be made available through a portion of the Platform designated "Public Side Information;" and (D) the Administrative Agent and the Lead Arranger 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 Side Information."

(c) Change of Address, Etc. Each of the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and Issuing Bank may change its address, facsimile or telephone number for notices and other communications hereunder by notice to the other parties hereto. Each other Lender may change its address, facsimile or telephone number for notices and other communications hereunder by notice to the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and each Issuing Bank. In addition, each Lender agrees to notify the Administrative Agent from time to time to ensure that the Administrative Agent has on record (i) an effective address, contact name, telephone number, facsimile number and electronic mail address to which notices and other communications may be sent and (ii) accurate wire instructions for such Lender. Furthermore, each Public Lender agrees to cause at least one individual at or on behalf of such Public Lender to at all times have selected the "Private Side Information" or similar designation on the content declaration screen of the Platform in order to enable such Public Lender or its delegate, in accordance with such Public Lender's compliance procedures and applicable law, including United States Federal and state securities Laws, to make reference to Borrower Materials that are not made available through the "Public Side Information"

portion of the Platform and that may contain material non-public information with respect to the Borrower, its Affiliates or their respective securities for purposes of United States Federal or state securities laws.

(d) Reliance by Administrative Agent, each Issuing Bank and Lenders. The Administrative Agent, each Issuing Bank and the Lenders shall be entitled to rely and act upon any notices (including telephonic notices, Notices of Borrowing, Notices of Conversion/Continuation and each letter of credit application submitted for the issuance of a Letter of Credit) purportedly given by or on behalf of the Borrower even if (i) such notices were not made in a manner specified herein, were incomplete or were not preceded or followed by any other form of notice specified herein, or (ii) the terms thereof, as understood by the recipient, varied from any confirmation thereof. The Loan Parties shall indemnify the Administrative Agent, each Issuing Bank, each Lender and the Related Parties of each of them from all losses, costs, expenses and liabilities resulting from the reliance by such Person on each notice purportedly given by or on behalf of the Borrower. All telephonic notices to and other telephonic communications with the Administrative Agent may be recorded by the Administrative Agent, and each of the parties hereto hereby consents to such recording.

Section 10.2. Waiver; Amendments; Enforcement.

(a) No failure or delay by the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank or any Lender in exercising any right or power hereunder or under any other Loan Document, and no course of dealing between the Borrower and the Administrative Agent or any Lender, 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, preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right or power hereunder or thereunder. The rights and remedies of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Banks and the Lenders hereunder and under the other Loan Documents are cumulative and are not exclusive of any rights or remedies provided by law. No waiver of any provision of this Agreement or of any other Loan Document or consent to any departure by the Borrower therefrom shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be permitted by subsection (b) of this Section, 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 Administrative Agent, any Lender or any Issuing Bank may have had notice or knowledge of such Default or Event of Default at the time.

(b) Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, including, without limitation, as provided in Section 2.15, no amendment or waiver of any provision of this Agreement or of the other Loan Documents (other than any separate letter agreements relating to any fees payable to the Administrative Agent and its Affiliates), nor consent to any departure by the Borrower therefrom, shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be in writing and signed by the Borrower and the Required Lenders, or the Borrower and the Administrative Agent with the consent of the Required Lenders, and then such amendment, waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the specific purpose for which given; *provided that*, in addition to the consent of the Required Lenders, no amendment, waiver or consent shall:

- (i) increase the Commitment or Elected Commitment of any Lender without the written consent of such Lender;
- (ii) increase the Borrowing Base without the written consent of each Lender;

(iii) modify Section 2.4 in any manner without the consent of each Lender; *provided* that a Scheduled Redetermination may be postponed by the Required Lenders;

(iv) reduce the principal amount of any Loan or LC Disbursement or reduce the rate of interest thereon, or reduce any fees payable hereunder, without the written consent of each Lender entitled to such payment;

(v) postpone the date fixed for any payment of any principal of, or interest on, any Loan or LC Disbursement or any fees hereunder or reduce the amount of, waive or excuse any such payment, without the written consent of each Lender entitled to such payment, or postpone the scheduled date for the termination or reduction of the Commitment of any Lender, without the written consent of such Lender;

(vi) (A) change Section 2.20(b) or (c) in a manner that would alter the *pro rata* sharing of payments required thereby, without the written consent of each Lender or (B) change Section 8.2 in a manner that would alter the *pro rata* sharing of payments or the order of application required thereby without the written consent of each Lender;

(vii) change any of the provisions of this subsection (b) or the definition of “Required Lenders” or any other provision of this Agreement specifying the number or percentage of Lenders which are required to waive, amend or modify any rights hereunder or make any determination or grant any consent hereunder, without the consent of each Lender;

(viii) release all or substantially all of the guarantors, or limit the liability of such guarantors, under any guaranty agreement guaranteeing any of the Obligations, without the written consent of each Lender;

(ix) contractually subordinate (1) the Liens securing any of the Obligations on all or substantially all of the Collateral to the Liens securing any other Indebtedness or other obligations or (2) any Obligations in contractual right of payment to any other Indebtedness or other obligations including any other class of Loans hereunder, in any such case, without the consent of each Lender directly and adversely affected thereby (but not the Administrative Agent or any other Lender or Secured Party) (*provided, however*, in no event shall this clause (ix) restrict any “debtor in possession” financing); or

(x) release all or substantially all collateral (if any) securing any of the Obligations, without the written consent of each Lender;

provided, further, that no such amendment, waiver or consent shall (x) amend, modify or otherwise affect the rights, duties or obligations of the Administrative Agent or any Issuing Bank without the prior written consent of such Person or (y) amend, modify or waive any provision of this Agreement (including, without limitation, Section 8.2) or any other Loan Document so as to alter the ratable treatment of Obligations arising under the Loan Documents and Obligations arising under Hedge Transactions with Lender-Related Hedge Providers or the definition of “Lender-Related Hedge Providers”, “Hedging Transaction”, “Hedging Obligations”, “Obligations” or “Secured Parties” (as such terms (or terms with similar meanings) are defined in this Agreement or any applicable Loan Document), in each case in a manner adverse to any Lender-Related Hedge Provider without the written consent of any such Lender-Related Hedge Provider.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no Defaulting Lender shall have any right to approve or disapprove any amendment, waiver or consent hereunder, except that the Commitment of such Lender may not be increased or extended, and amounts payable to such Lender hereunder may not be permanently

reduced, without the consent of such Lender (other than reductions in fees and interest in which such reduction does not disproportionately affect such Lender). Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, this Agreement may be amended and restated without the consent of any Lender (but with the consent of the Borrower and the Administrative Agent) if, upon giving effect to such amendment and restatement, such Lender shall no longer be a party to this Agreement (as so amended and restated), the Commitments of such Lender shall have terminated (but such Lender shall continue to be entitled to the benefits of Section 2.17, Section 2.18, Section 2.19 and Section 10.3), such Lender shall have no other commitment or other obligation hereunder and such Lender shall have been paid in full all principal, interest and other amounts owing to it or accrued for its account under this Agreement.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Administrative Agent may, with the consent of the Borrower only, amend, modify or supplement any Loan Document to cure any obvious ambiguity, omission, mistake, defect or inconsistency.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein or in any other Loan Document, the authority to enforce rights and remedies hereunder and under the other Loan Documents against the Loan Parties or any of them shall be vested exclusively in, and all actions and proceedings at law in connection with such enforcement shall be instituted and maintained exclusively by, the Administrative Agent in accordance with Section 8.1 for the benefit of all the Lenders and the Issuing Banks; *provided, however*, that the foregoing shall not prohibit (i) the Administrative Agent from exercising on its own behalf the rights and remedies that inure to its benefit (solely in its capacity as Administrative Agent) hereunder and under the other Loan Documents, (ii) any Issuing Bank from exercising the rights and remedies that inure to its benefit (solely in its capacity as Issuing Bank, as the case may be) hereunder and under the other Loan Documents, (iii) any Lender from exercising setoff rights in accordance with Section 10.7 (subject to the terms of Section 2.20), or (iv) any Lender from filing proofs of claim or appearing and filing pleadings on its own behalf during the pendency of a proceeding relative to any Loan Party under any Debtor Relief Law; and *provided, further*, that if at any time there is no Person acting as Administrative Agent hereunder and under the other Loan Documents, then (x) the Required Lenders shall have the rights otherwise ascribed to the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 8.1 and (y) in addition to the matters set forth in clauses (ii), (iii) and (iv) of the preceding proviso and subject to Section 2.20, any Lender may, with the consent of the Required Lenders, enforce any rights and remedies available to it and as authorized by the Required Lenders.

Section 10.3. Expenses; Indemnification.

(a) The Borrower shall pay (i) all reasonable and documented, out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent and its Affiliates, including the reasonable and documented out-of-pocket fees, charges and disbursements of counsel for the Administrative Agent and its Affiliates, in connection with the syndication of the credit facility provided for herein, the preparation, negotiation, execution, delivery and administration of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents or any amendments, modifications or waivers of the provisions hereof or thereof (whether or not the transactions contemplated in this Agreement or any other Loan Document shall be consummated), including the fees, charges and disbursements of counsel for the Administrative Agent and its Affiliates, (ii) all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Issuing Banks in connection with the issuance, amendment, reinstatement, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit or any demand for payment thereunder and (iii) all out-of-pocket costs and expenses (including, without limitation, the reasonable fees, charges and disbursements of outside counsel) incurred by the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Banks or any Lender in connection with the enforcement or protection of its rights in connection with this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, including its rights under this Section, or in connection with the Loans made or any

Letters of Credit issued hereunder, including all such out-of-pocket expenses incurred during any workout, restructuring or negotiations in respect of such Loans or Letters of Credit.

(b) The Borrower shall indemnify the Administrative Agent (and any sub-agent thereof), each Joint Lead Arranger, each Lender, each Issuing Bank, and each Related Party of any of the foregoing Persons (each such Person being called an “Indemnatee”) against, and hold each Indemnatee harmless from, any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities and related expenses (including the reasonable fees, charges and disbursements of one counsel for all Indemnitees, taken as a whole, and, if reasonably necessary, one local counsel in any relevant jurisdiction for all Indemnitees, taken as a whole (and, in the case of an actual or potential conflict of interest, (i) one additional counsel for all affected Indemnitees, taken as a whole, and (ii) one additional local counsel for all affected Indemnitees, taken as a whole)), incurred by any Indemnatee or asserted against any Indemnatee by any Person (including the Borrower or any other Loan Party) arising out of, in connection with, or as a result of (i) the execution or delivery of this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any agreement or instrument contemplated hereby or thereby (including, without limitation, the Indemnatee’s reliance on any Communications executed using an Electronic Signature, or in the form of an Electronic Record), the performance by the parties hereto of their respective obligations hereunder or thereunder or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby, or, in the case of the Administrative Agent (and any sub agent thereof) and its Related Parties only, the administration of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents (including in respect of any matters addressed in Section 2.19), (ii) any Loan or Letter of Credit or the use or proposed use of the proceeds therefrom (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 actual or alleged presence or Release of Hazardous Materials on or from any property owned or operated by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, or any Environmental Liability related in any way to the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, or (iv) any actual or prospective claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding relating to any of the foregoing, whether based on contract, tort or any other theory, whether brought by a third party or by the Borrower or any other Loan Party, regardless of whether any Indemnatee is a party thereto, **IN ALL CASES, WHETHER OR NOT CAUSED BY OR ARISING, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, OUT OF THE COMPARATIVE, CONTRIBUTORY OR SOLE NEGLIGENCE OF THE INDEMNITEE**; *provided* that such indemnity shall not, as to any Indemnatee, be available to the extent that such losses, claims, damages, liabilities or related expenses are determined by a court of competent jurisdiction by final and non-appealable judgment to (x) have resulted from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of such Indemnatee, (y) result from a claim brought by the Borrower or any other Loan Party against an Indemnatee for breach in bad faith of such Indemnatee’s obligations hereunder or (z) a dispute solely between or among Indemnitees (other than any claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding that is brought by or against the Administrative Agent or any Joint Lead Arranger, acting in its capacity as the Administrative Agent or as a Joint Lead Arranger) and not involving any act or omission of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries or any of their respective Affiliates. No Indemnatee shall be liable for any damages arising from the use by others of any information or other materials obtained through Syndtrak, Intralinks or any other Internet or intranet website, except as a result of such Indemnatee’s gross negligence or willful misconduct as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction in a final and non-appealable judgment. Without limiting the provisions of Section 2.19(c), this Section 10.3(b) shall not apply with respect to Taxes other than any Taxes that represent losses, claims, damages, etc. arising from any non-Tax claim.

(c) The Borrower shall pay, and hold the Administrative Agent, each Issuing Bank and each of the Lenders harmless from and against, any and all present and future stamp, documentary, and other similar taxes with respect to this Agreement and any other Loan

Documents, any collateral described therein or any payments due thereunder, and save the Administrative Agent, each Issuing Bank and each Lender harmless from and against any and all liabilities with respect to or resulting from any delay or omission to pay such taxes.

(d) To the extent that the Borrower fails to pay any amount required to be paid to the Administrative Agent, any Joint Lead Arranger or any Issuing Bank under subsection (a), (b) or (c) hereof, each Lender severally agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent, the applicable Joint Lead Arranger, the applicable Issuing Bank, or such Related Party, as the case may be, such Lender's *pro rata* share (in accordance with its respective Commitment (or Credit Exposure, as applicable) determined as of the time that the unreimbursed expense or indemnity payment is sought) of such unpaid amount; *provided* that the unreimbursed expense or indemnified loss, payment, claim, damage, liability or related expense, as the case may be, was incurred by or asserted against the Administrative Agent, such Joint Lead Arranger or such Issuing Bank in its capacity as such, or against any Related Party of any of the foregoing acting for the Administrative Agent (or any such sub-agent).

(e) TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, THE BORROWER, THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT, THE ISSUING BANKS AND THE LENDERS SHALL NOT ASSERT, AND EACH HEREBY WAIVES, AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT NO OTHER PERSON SHALL HAVE, ANY CLAIM AGAINST THE OTHERS (INCLUDING ANY INDEMNITEE), ON ANY THEORY OF LIABILITY, FOR SPECIAL, INDIRECT, CONSEQUENTIAL OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES (AS OPPOSED TO ACTUAL OR DIRECT 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 ANY LETTER OF CREDIT OR THE USE OF PROCEEDS THEREOF; *PROVIDED* THAT NOTHING IN THIS SUBSECTION (E) SHALL RELIEVE THE BORROWER OF ANY OBLIGATION IT MAY HAVE TO INDEMNIFY ANY INDEMNITEE AGAINST SPECIAL, INDIRECT, CONSEQUENTIAL OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES ASSERTED AGAINST SUCH INDEMNITEE BY A THIRD PARTY. NO INDEMNITEE REFERRED TO IN SUBSECTION (B) ABOVE SHALL BE LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGES ARISING FROM THE USE BY UNINTENDED RECIPIENTS OF ANY INFORMATION OR OTHER MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED TO SUCH UNINTENDED RECIPIENTS BY SUCH INDEMNITEE 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.

(f) All amounts due under this Section shall be payable not later than ten (10) Business Days after written demand therefor.

(g) The agreements in this Section 10.3 and the indemnity provisions of Section 9.5 shall survive the resignation of the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Banks, the replacement of any Lender, the termination of the Aggregate Commitments and the repayment, satisfaction or discharge of all the other Obligations.

Section 10.4. Successors and Assigns.

(a) The provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns permitted hereby, except that the Borrower may not assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights or obligations hereunder without

the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent, each Lender and each Issuing Bank, and no Lender may assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights or obligations hereunder except (i) to an assignee in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of this Section, (ii) by way of participation in accordance with the provisions of subsection (d) of this Section or (iii) by way of pledge or assignment of a security interest subject to the restrictions of subsection (e) of this Section (and any other attempted assignment or transfer by any party hereto shall be null and void). Nothing in this Agreement, expressed or implied, shall be construed to confer upon any Person (other than the parties hereto, their respective successors and assigns permitted hereby, Participants to the extent provided in subsection (d) of this Section and, to the extent expressly contemplated hereby, the Related Parties of each of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders) any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Agreement.

(b) Any Lender may at any time assign to one (1) or more assignees all or a portion of its rights and obligations under this Agreement (including all or a portion of its Commitments, Loans and other Credit Exposure at the time owing to it); *provided* that any such assignment shall be subject to the following conditions:

(i) Minimum Amounts.

(A) in the case of an assignment of the entire remaining amount of the assigning Lender's Commitments, Loans and other Credit Exposure at the time owing to it or in the case of an assignment to a Lender, an Affiliate of a Lender or an Approved Fund, no minimum amount need be assigned; and

(B) in any case not described in subsection (b)(i)(A) of this Section, the aggregate amount of the Commitment (which for this purpose includes Loans and Credit Exposure outstanding thereunder) or, if the applicable Commitment is not then in effect, the principal outstanding balance of the Loans and Credit Exposure 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 or, if "Trade Date" is specified in the Assignment and Acceptance, as of the Trade Date) shall not be less than \$5,000,000 and in minimum increments of \$1,000,000, unless each of the Administrative Agent and, so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Borrower otherwise consents (each such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed).

(ii) Proportionate Amounts. Each partial assignment shall be made as an assignment of a proportionate part of all the assigning Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement with respect to the Loans, other Credit Exposure or the Commitments assigned.

(iii) Required Consents. No consent shall be required for any assignment except to the extent required by subsection (b)(i)(B) of this Section and, in addition:

(A) the consent of the Borrower (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed, with the Borrower deemed to have approved of an assignment if Borrower fails to approve or disapprove of such assignment within five (5) Business Days after receiving notice thereof) shall be required unless (x) an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing at the time of such assignment or (y) such assignment is to a Lender, an Affiliate of a Lender or an Approved Fund;

(B) the consent of the Administrative Agent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) shall be required; and

(C) the consent of each Issuing Bank (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) shall be required for any assignment in respect of the Commitments.

(iv) Assignment and Acceptance. The parties to each assignment shall deliver to the Administrative Agent (A) a duly executed Assignment and Acceptance, (B) a processing and recordation fee of \$3,500, (C) an Administrative Questionnaire unless the assignee is already a Lender and (D) the documents required under Section 2.19.

(v) No Assignment to certain Persons. No such assignment shall be made to (A) the Borrower or any of the Borrower's Affiliates or Subsidiaries or (B) to 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 subsection (b) of this Section.

(vi) No Assignment to Natural Persons. No such assignment shall be made to a natural person or to any holding company, investment vehicle or trust for, or owned and operated for the primary benefit of, a natural person.

(vii) Certain Additional Payments. 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, the Issuing Banks and each other Lender hereunder (and interest accrued thereon), and (y) acquire (and fund as appropriate) its full pro rata share of all Loans and participations in Letters of Credit. 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.

(viii) Subject to acceptance and recording thereof by the Administrative Agent pursuant to subsection (c) of this Section, from and after the effective date specified in each Assignment and Acceptance, the assignee thereunder shall be a party to this Agreement 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 Section 2.17, Section 2.18, Section 2.19 and Section 10.3 with respect to facts and circumstances occurring prior to the effective date of such assignment; *provided that*, except to the extent otherwise expressly agreed by the affected parties, no assignment by a Defaulting Lender will constitute a waiver or release of any claim of any party hereunder arising from such Lender's having been a Defaulting Lender. Any assignment or transfer by a Lender of rights or obligations under this Agreement that does not comply with this subsection 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 subsection (d) of this Section. If the consent of the

Borrower to an assignment is required hereunder (including a consent to an assignment which does not meet the minimum assignment thresholds specified above), the Borrower shall be deemed to have given its consent unless it shall object thereto by written notice to the Administrative Agent within five (5) Business Days after notice thereof has actually been delivered by the assigning Lender (through the Administrative Agent) to the Borrower.

(c) The Administrative Agent, acting solely for this purpose as a non-fiduciary agent of the Borrower, shall maintain at one (1) 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 amount of the Loans and Credit 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 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. Information contained in the Register with respect to any Lender shall be available for inspection by such Lender at any reasonable time and from time to time upon reasonable prior notice; information contained in the Register shall also be available for inspection by the Borrower at any reasonable time and from time to time upon reasonable prior notice. In establishing and maintaining the Register, the Administrative Agent shall serve as a nonfiduciary agent of the Borrower solely for tax purposes and solely with respect to the actions described in this Section, and the Borrower hereby agrees that, to the extent Bank of America, N.A., serves in such capacity, Bank of America, N.A., and its officers, directors, employees, agents, sub-agents and affiliates shall constitute “Indemnitees”.

(d) Any Lender may at any time, without the consent of, or notice to, the Borrower, the Administrative Agent or any Issuing Bank, sell participations to any Person (other than a natural person (or any holding company, investment vehicle or trust for, or owned and operated for the primary benefit of, one or more natural persons), any Defaulting Lender or any of its Subsidiaries, the Borrower or any of the Borrower’s Affiliates or Subsidiaries) (each, a “Participant”) in all or a portion of such Lender’s rights and/or obligations under this Agreement (including all or a portion of its Commitment and/or the Loans owing to it); *provided* that (i) such Lender’s obligations under this Agreement shall remain unchanged, (ii) such Lender shall remain solely responsible to the other parties hereto for the performance of such obligations and (iii) the Borrower, the Administrative Agent, each Issuing Bank 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. For the avoidance of doubt, each Lender shall be responsible for the indemnity under Section 10.3(d) without regard to the existence of any participation.

Any agreement or instrument pursuant to which a Lender sells such a participation shall provide that such Lender shall retain the sole right to enforce this Agreement and to approve any amendment, modification or waiver of any provision of this Agreement; *provided* that such agreement or instrument may provide that such Lender will not, without the consent of the Participant, agree to any amendment, modification or waiver that is described in Section 10.2(b)(i) through Section 10.2(b)(x) and that directly affects such Participant. Subject to subsection (e) of this Section, the Borrower agrees that each Participant shall be entitled to the benefits of Section 2.17, Section 2.18 and Section 2.19, to the same extent as if it were a Lender and had acquired its interest by assignment pursuant to subsection (b) of this Section; *provided* that such Participant agrees to be subject to Section 2.22 as though it were a Lender. To the extent permitted by law, each Participant also shall be entitled to the benefits of Section 10.7 as though it were a Lender; *provided* that such Participant agrees to be subject to Section 2.20 as though it were a Lender.

Each Lender that sells a participation shall, acting solely for this purpose as a non-fiduciary agent of the Borrower, maintain a register in the United States on which it enters the name and address of each

Participant and the principal amounts (and stated interest) of each Participant's interest in the Loans or other obligations under the Loan Documents (the "Participant Register"). The entries in the Participant Register shall be conclusive, absent manifest error, and such Lender shall treat each person whose name is recorded in the Participant Register as the owner of such participation for all purposes of this Agreement notwithstanding any notice to the contrary. The Borrower and the Administrative Agent shall have inspection rights to such Participant Register (upon reasonable prior notice to the applicable Lender) solely for purposes of demonstrating that such Loans or other obligations under the Loan Documents are in "registered form" for purposes of the Code. For the avoidance of doubt, the Administrative Agent (in its capacity as Administrative Agent) shall have no responsibility for maintaining a Participant Register.

(e) A Participant shall not be entitled to receive any greater payment under Section 2.17 and Section 2.19 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. A Participant shall not be entitled to the benefits of Section 2.19 unless the Borrower is notified of the participation sold to such Participant and such Participant agrees, for the benefit of the Borrower, to comply with Section 2.19(e) and Section 2.19(f) as though it were a Lender.

(f) 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; *provided* that no such pledge or assignment shall release such Lender from any of its obligations hereunder or substitute any such pledgee or assignee for such Lender as a party hereto.

Section 10.5. Governing Law; Jurisdiction; Consent to Service of Process.

(a) THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS AND ANY CLAIMS, CONTROVERSY, DISPUTE OR CAUSE OF ACTION (WHETHER IN CONTRACT OR TORT OR OTHERWISE) BASED UPON, ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT (EXCEPT, AS TO ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT, AS EXPRESSLY SET FORTH THEREIN) AND THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY AND THEREBY SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND BE GOVERNED BY THE LAW (WITHOUT GIVING EFFECT TO THE CONFLICT OF LAW PRINCIPLES THEREOF) OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

(b) THE BORROWER HEREBY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY SUBMITS, FOR ITSELF AND ITS PROPERTY, TO THE EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK SITTING IN NEW YORK COUNTY AND OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK SITTING IN NEW YORK COUNTY, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, AND OF ANY APPELLATE COURT THEREOF, IN ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY, OR FOR RECOGNITION OR ENFORCEMENT OF ANY JUDGMENT, AND EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY AGREES THAT ALL CLAIMS IN RESPECT OF ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING MAY BE HEARD AND DETERMINED IN SUCH DISTRICT COURT OR NEW YORK STATE COURT OR, TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, SUCH APPELLATE COURT. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO AGREES THAT A FINAL JUDGMENT IN ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE AND MAY BE ENFORCED IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS BY SUIT ON THE JUDGMENT OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER PROVIDED

BY LAW. NOTHING IN THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT SHALL (I) 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 ITS PROPERTIES IN THE COURTS OF ANY JURISDICTION, (II) WAIVE ANY STATUTORY, REGULATORY, COMMON LAW, OR OTHER RULE, DOCTRINE, LEGAL RESTRICTION, PROVISION OR THE LIKE PROVIDING FOR THE TREATMENT OF BANK BRANCHES, BANK AGENCIES, OR OTHER BANK OFFICES AS IF THEY WERE SEPARATE JURIDICAL ENTITIES FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES, INCLUDING UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE SECTIONS 4-106, 4-A-105(1)(B), AND 5-116(B), UCP 600 ARTICLE 3 AND ISP98 RULE 2.02, AND URDG 758 ARTICLE 3(A), OR (III) AFFECT WHICH COURTS HAVE OR DO NOT HAVE PERSONAL JURISDICTION OVER THE ISSUING BANK OR BENEFICIARY OF ANY LETTER OF CREDIT OR ANY ADVISING BANK, NOMINATED BANK OR ASSIGNEE OF PROCEEDS THEREUNDER OR PROPER VENUE WITH RESPECT TO ANY LITIGATION ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO SUCH LETTER OF CREDIT WITH, OR AFFECTING THE RIGHTS OF, ANY PERSON NOT A PARTY TO THIS AGREEMENT, WHETHER OR NOT SUCH LETTER OF CREDIT CONTAINS ITS OWN JURISDICTION SUBMISSION CLAUSE.

(c) EACH PARTY HERETO IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY OBJECTION WHICH IT MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE TO THE LAYING OF VENUE OF ANY SUCH SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION AND BROUGHT IN ANY COURT REFERRED TO IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, THE DEFENSE OF AN INCONVENIENT FORUM TO THE MAINTENANCE OF SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING IN ANY SUCH COURT.

(d) EACH PARTY TO THIS AGREEMENT IRREVOCABLY CONSENTS TO THE SERVICE OF PROCESS IN THE MANNER PROVIDED FOR NOTICES IN SECTION 10.1. NOTHING IN THIS AGREEMENT OR IN ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT WILL AFFECT THE RIGHT OF ANY PARTY HERETO TO SERVE PROCESS IN ANY OTHER MANNER PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW.

Section 10.6. WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH PARTY HERETO IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR ANY OTHER THEORY). EACH PARTY HERETO (A) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER 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 BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION.

Section 10.7. Right of Set-off. In addition to any rights now or hereafter granted under applicable law and not by way of limitation of any such rights, each Lender and each Issuing Bank shall have the right, at any time or from time to time upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event

of Default, without prior notice to the Borrower, any such notice being expressly waived by the Borrower to the extent permitted by applicable law, to set off and apply against all deposits (general or special, time or demand, provisional or final) of the Borrower at any time held or other obligations at any time owing by such Lender and Issuing Bank to or for the credit or the account of the Borrower or any other Loan Party against any and all Obligations held by such Lender or Issuing Bank, as the case may be, irrespective of whether such Lender or Issuing Bank shall have made any demand under this Agreement or any other Loan Document and although such 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 2.24(b) and, pending such payment, shall be segregated by such Defaulting Lender from its other funds and deemed held in trust for the benefit of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Banks, 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 Issuing Bank under this Section are in addition to other rights and remedies (including other rights of setoff) that such Lender or Issuing Bank may have. Each Lender and Issuing Bank agrees promptly to notify the Administrative Agent and the Borrower after any such set-off and any application made by such Lender or Issuing Bank, as the case may be; *provided* that the failure to give such notice shall not affect the validity of such set-off and application. Each Lender and each Issuing Bank agrees to apply all amounts collected from any such set-off to the Obligations before applying such amounts to any other Indebtedness or other obligations owed by the Borrower and any of its Subsidiaries to such Lender or such Issuing Bank, as the case may be.

Section 10.8. Integration. This Agreement, the other Loan Documents, and any separate letter agreements relating to any fees payable to the Administrative Agent and its Affiliates constitute the entire agreement among the parties hereto and thereto and their affiliates regarding the subject matters hereof and thereof and supersede all prior agreements and understandings, oral or written, regarding such subject matters. Delivery of an executed counterpart to this Agreement or any other Loan Document by facsimile transmission or by electronic mail in pdf format shall be as effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart hereof.

Section 10.9. Survival. All covenants, agreements, representations and warranties made by the Borrower herein and in the certificates, reports, notices or other instruments delivered in connection with or pursuant to this Agreement shall be considered to have been relied upon by the other parties hereto and shall survive the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents and the making of any Loans and issuance of any Letters of Credit, regardless of any investigation made by any such other party or on its behalf and notwithstanding that the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank or any Lender may have had notice or knowledge of any Default or incorrect representation or warranty at the time any credit is extended hereunder, and shall continue in full force and effect as long as the principal of or any accrued interest on any Loan or any fee or any other amount payable under this Agreement is outstanding and unpaid or any Letter of Credit is outstanding and so long as the Commitments have not expired or terminated. The provisions of Section 2.17, Section 2.18, Section 2.19 and Section 10.3 and Article IX shall survive and remain in full force and effect regardless of the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, the repayment of the Loans, the expiration or termination of the Letters of Credit and the Commitments or the termination of this Agreement or any provision hereof.

Section 10.10. Severability. Any provision of this Agreement or any other Loan Document held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable in any jurisdiction, shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such illegality, invalidity or unenforceability without affecting the legality, validity or enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof or thereof; and the illegality, invalidity or unenforceability of a particular provision in a particular jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction.

Section 10.11. Confidentiality. Each of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Banks and the Lenders agrees to take normal precautions to maintain the confidentiality of any information relating to the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries or any of their respective businesses, to the extent designated in writing as confidential and provided to it by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, other than any such information that is available to the Administrative Agent, such Issuing Bank or such Lender on a non-confidential basis prior to disclosure by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, except that such information may be disclosed (i) to any Related Party of the Administrative Agent, such Issuing Bank or such Lender including, without limitation, accountants, legal counsel and other advisors, (ii) to the extent required by applicable laws or regulations or by any subpoena or similar legal process, (iii) to the extent requested by any regulatory agency or authority purporting to have jurisdiction over it (including any self-regulatory authority such as the National Association of Insurance Commissioners), (iv) to the extent that such information (A) becomes publicly available other than as a result of a breach of this Section, (B) becomes available to the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank, any Lender or any Related Party of any of the foregoing on a non-confidential basis from a source other than the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries or (C) is independently discovered or developed by a party hereto without utilizing any such information received from Borrower or violating the terms of this Section, (v) in connection with the exercise of any remedy hereunder or under any other Loan Documents or any suit, action or proceeding relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Documents or the enforcement of rights hereunder or thereunder, (vi) subject to execution by such Person of an agreement containing provisions substantially the same as those of this Section, to (A) any assignee of or Participant in, or any prospective assignee of or Participant in, any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement, or (B) any actual or prospective party (or its Related Parties) to any swap or derivative or other transaction under which payments are to be made by reference to the Borrower and its obligations, this Agreement or payments hereunder, (vii) to any rating agency, (viii) to the CUSIP Service Bureau or any similar organization, or (ix) with the consent of the Borrower. In addition, the Administrative Agent and the Lenders may disclose the existence of this Agreement and information about this Agreement to market data collectors, similar service providers to the lending industry and service providers to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders in connection with the administration of this Agreement, the other Loan Documents, and the Commitments. Any Person required to maintain the confidentiality of any information as provided for in this Section shall be considered to have complied with its obligation to do so if such Person has exercised the same degree of care to maintain the confidentiality of such information as such Person would accord its own confidential information. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this Section and those of any other Contractual Obligation entered into with any Loan Party (whether or not a Loan Document), the terms of this Section shall govern.

Section 10.12. Interest Rate Limitation. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, if at any time the interest rate applicable to any Loan or other Obligation owing under this Agreement, together with all fees, charges and other amounts which may be treated as interest on such Loan or other Obligation under any Requirement of Law (collectively, the “Charges”), shall exceed the maximum lawful rate of interest (the “Maximum Rate”) which may be contracted for, charged, taken, received or reserved by a Lender or other Person holding such Loan or other Obligation in accordance with Requirements of Law, the rate of interest payable in respect of such Loan or other Obligation hereunder, together with all Charges payable in respect thereof, shall be limited to the Maximum Rate and, to the extent lawful, the interest and Charges that would have been payable in respect of such Loan or other Obligation but were not payable as a result of the operation of this Section shall be cumulated and the interest and Charges payable to such Lender or other Person in respect of other Loans or Obligations or periods shall be increased (but not above the Maximum Rate therefor) until such cumulated amount, together with interest thereon at the Federal Funds Rate to the date of repayment (to the extent permitted by applicable law), shall have been received by such Lender or other Person.

Section 10.13. Waiver of Effect of Corporate Seal. The Borrower represents and warrants that neither it nor any other Loan Party is required to affix its corporate seal to this Agreement or any other

Loan Document pursuant to any Requirement of Law, agrees that this Agreement is delivered by the Borrower under seal and waives any shortening of the statute of limitations that may result from not affixing the corporate seal to this Agreement or such other Loan Documents.

Section 10.14. Patriot Act. The Administrative Agent, each Lender and each Issuing Bank hereby notifies the Loan Parties that, (a) pursuant to the requirements of the Patriot Act, it is required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies each Loan Party, which information includes the name and address of such Loan Party and other information that will allow such Lender, such Issuing Bank or the Administrative Agent, as applicable, to identify such Loan Party in accordance with the Patriot Act, and (b) pursuant to the Beneficial Ownership Regulation, it is required to obtain a Beneficial Ownership Certificate.

Section 10.15. No Advisory or Fiduciary Responsibility. In connection with all aspects of each transaction contemplated hereby (including in connection with any amendment, waiver or other modification hereof or of any other Loan Document), the Borrower and each other Loan Party acknowledges and agrees and acknowledges its Affiliates' understanding that (i) (A) the services regarding this Agreement provided by the Administrative Agent, the Joint Lead Arrangers and/or the Lenders are arm's-length commercial transactions between the Borrower, each other Loan Party and their respective Affiliates, on the one hand, and the Administrative Agent, the Joint Lead Arrangers and the Lenders, on the other hand, (B) each of the Borrower and the other Loan Parties have consulted their own legal, accounting, regulatory and tax advisors to the extent they have deemed appropriate, and (C) the Borrower and each other Loan Party is capable of evaluating and understanding, and understands and accepts, the terms, risks and conditions of the transactions contemplated hereby and by the other Loan Documents; (ii) (A) each of the Administrative Agent, the Joint Lead Arrangers and the Lenders is and has been acting solely as a principal and, except as expressly agreed in writing by the relevant parties, has not been, is not, and will not be acting as an advisor, agent or fiduciary for the Borrower, any other Loan Party or any of their respective Affiliates, or any other Person, and (B) neither the Administrative Agent nor any Lender has any obligation to the Borrower, any other Loan Party or any of their Affiliates with respect to the transaction contemplated hereby except those obligations expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents; and (iii) the Administrative Agent, the Joint Lead Arrangers, the Lenders and their respective Affiliates may be engaged in a broad range of transactions that involve interests that differ from those of the Borrower, the other Loan Parties and their respective Affiliates, and each of the Administrative Agent, the Joint Lead Arrangers and the Lenders has no obligation to disclose any of such interests to the Borrower, any other Loan Party or any of their respective Affiliates. To the fullest extent permitted by law, each of the Borrower and the other Loan Parties hereby waives and releases any claims that it may have against the Administrative Agent, any Joint Lead Arranger or any Lender with respect to any breach or alleged breach of agency or fiduciary duty in connection with any aspect of any transaction contemplated hereby. Any Lender identified in this Agreement (including on the facing page or signature page of this Agreement), any amendment hereto or in any other Loan Document as a "Lead Arranger", "Joint Lead Arranger", "Bookrunner", "Co-Bookrunner", "Joint Bookrunner", "Syndication Agent", "Documentation Agent", or any similar title shall not have any right, power, obligation, liability, responsibility or duty under this Agreement as a result of such title other than those applicable to it in its capacity as a Lender, Issuing Bank and/or Administrative Agent.

Section 10.16. Acknowledgement and Consent to Bail-In of Affected Financial Institutions. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Loan Document or in any other agreement, arrangement or understanding among any such parties, each party hereto acknowledges that any liability of any Affected Financial Institution arising under any Loan Document may be subject to the write-down and conversion powers of a 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 a Resolution Authority to any such liabilities arising hereunder which may be payable to it by any party hereto that is an Affected Financial Institution; and

(b) the effects of any Bail-in Action on any such liability, including, if applicable (i) a reduction in full or in part or cancellation of any such liability, (ii) a conversion of all, or a portion of, such liability into shares or other instruments of ownership in such Affected Financial Institution, its parent 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 Resolution Authority.

Section 10.17. 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 and not, for the avoidance of doubt, to or for the benefit of the Borrower or any other Loan Party, that at least one (1) of the following is and will be true:

(i) such Lender is not using “plan assets” (within the meaning of 29 CFR § 2510.3-101, as modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA) of one (1) 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 (1) 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 subsections (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 subsection (i) in the immediately preceding subsection (a) is true with respect to a Lender or such Lender has not provided another representation, warranty and covenant as provided in the immediately preceding subsection (a)(iv), 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 and not, for the avoidance of doubt, to or for the benefit of the Borrower or any other Loan Party, that the Administrative Agent is not a fiduciary with respect to 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 document related hereto or thereto).

Section 10.18. Existing Credit Agreement. This Agreement amends and restates the Existing Credit Agreement in its entirety. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as a discharge, extinguishment or novation of the "Obligations" of the Loan Parties outstanding under the Existing Credit Agreement, which Obligations shall remain outstanding under this Agreement after the date hereof as "Loans", except as expressly modified hereby or by instruments executed concurrently with this Agreement. All Obligations of the Borrower hereunder and under the other Loan Documents shall be secured by the Liens and security interests evidenced under the Loan Documents (as defined in the Existing Credit Agreement), as amended hereby and by any reaffirmation of such Loan Documents.

Section 10.19. Acknowledgement Regarding Any Supported QFCs. To the extent that the Loan Documents provide support, through a guarantee or otherwise, for Hedging Obligations or any other agreement or instrument that is a QFC (such support, "QFC Credit Support" and each such QFC a "Supported QFC"), the parties acknowledge and agree as follows with respect to the resolution power of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation under the Federal Deposit Insurance Act and Title II of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (together with the regulations promulgated thereunder, the "U.S. Special Resolution Regimes") in respect of such Supported QFC and QFC Credit Support (with the provisions below applicable notwithstanding that the Loan Documents and any Supported QFC may in fact be stated to be governed by the laws of the State of New York and/or of the United States or any other state of the United States):

(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 10.19, the following terms have the following meanings:

“BHC Act Affiliate” of a party shall mean an “affiliate” (as such term is defined under, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 U.S.C. 1841(k)) of such party.

“Covered Entity” shall mean 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” shall have 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” shall have the meaning assigned to the term “qualified financial contract” in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 U.S.C. 5390(c)(8)(D).

Section 10.20. Electronic Signature; Electronic Records; Counterparts. This Agreement, any Loan Document and any other Communication, including Communications required to be in writing, may be in the form of an Electronic Record and may be executed using Electronic Signatures. Each of the Loan Parties and each of the Administrative Agent and Issuing Banks agree that any Electronic Signature on or associated with any Communication shall be valid and binding on such Person to the same extent as a manual, original signature, and that any Communication entered into by Electronic Signature, will constitute the legal, valid and binding obligation of such Person enforceable against such Person in accordance with the terms thereof to the same extent as if a manually executed original signature was delivered. Any Communication may be executed in as many counterparts as necessary or convenient, including both paper and electronic counterparts, but all such counterparts are one and the same Communication. For the avoidance of doubt, the authorization under this paragraph may include, without limitation, use or acceptance of a manually signed paper Communication which has been converted into electronic form (such as scanned into PDF format), or an electronically signed Communication converted into another format, for transmission, delivery and/or retention. The Administrative Agent and each Issuing Bank may, at its option, create one or more copies of any Communication in the form of an imaged Electronic Record (“Electronic Copy”), which shall be deemed created in the ordinary course of such Person’s business, and destroy the original paper document. All Communications in the form of an Electronic Record, including an Electronic Copy, shall be considered an original for all purposes, and shall have the same legal effect, validity and enforceability as a paper record. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, neither the Administrative Agent nor any Issuing Bank is under any obligation to accept an Electronic Signature in any form or in any format unless expressly agreed to by such Person pursuant to procedures approved by it; *provided, further*, without limiting the foregoing, (a) to the extent the Administrative Agent or any Issuing Bank has agreed to accept such Electronic Signature, the Administrative Agent and each Issuing Bank shall be entitled to rely on any such Electronic Signature purportedly given by or on behalf of any Loan Party, the Administrative Agent or any Issuing Bank without further verification and (b) upon the request of the Administrative Agent or any Issuing Bank, any Electronic Signature shall be promptly followed by such manually executed counterpart.

Neither the Administrative Agent nor any Issuing Bank shall be responsible for or have any duty to ascertain or inquire into the sufficiency, validity, enforceability, effectiveness or genuineness of any Loan Document or any other agreement, instrument or document (including, for the avoidance of doubt, in connection with the Administrative Agent’s or any Issuing Bank’s reliance on any Electronic Signature transmitted by telecopy, emailed .pdf or any other electronic means). The Administrative Agent and each Issuing Bank shall be entitled to rely on, and shall incur no liability under or in respect of this Agreement

or any other Loan Document by acting upon, any Communication (which writing may be a fax, any electronic message, Internet or intranet website posting or other distribution or signed using an Electronic Signature) or any statement made to it orally or by telephone and believed by it to be genuine and signed or sent or otherwise authenticated (whether or not such Person in fact meets the requirements set forth in the Loan Documents for being the maker thereof).

Section 10.21. Location of Closing. Each Lender and Issuing Bank acknowledges and agrees that it has delivered, with the intent to be bound, its executed counterparts of this Agreement to the Administrative Agent, c/o Haynes and Boone, LLP, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, 26th Floor, New York, New York 10112, Attn: Camie McKee. The Borrower acknowledges and agrees that it has delivered, with the intent to be bound, its executed counterparts of this Agreement and each other Loan Document, together with all other documents, instruments, opinions, certificates and other items required under Section 3.1, to the Administrative Agent, c/o Haynes and Boone, LLP, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, 26th Floor, New York, New York 10112, Attn: Camie McKee. All parties agree that the closing of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement has occurred in New York.

Section 10.22. Payments Set Aside. To the extent that any payment by or on behalf of the Borrower is made to the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank or any Lender, or the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank or any Lender exercises its right of setoff, and such payment or the proceeds of such setoff or any part thereof is subsequently invalidated, declared to be fraudulent or preferential, set aside or required (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank or such Lender in its discretion) to be repaid to a trustee, receiver or any other party, in connection with any proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law or otherwise, then (a) to the extent of such recovery, the obligation or part thereof originally intended to be satisfied shall be revived and continued in full force and effect as if such payment had not been made or such setoff had not occurred, and (b) each Lender and the Issuing Banks severally agree to pay to the Administrative Agent upon demand its applicable share (without duplication) of any amount so recovered from or repaid by the Administrative Agent, *plus* interest thereon from the date of such demand to the date such payment is made at a rate per annum equal to the Federal Funds Rate from time to time in effect. The obligations of the Lenders and the Issuing Banks under clause (b) of the preceding sentence shall survive the payment in full of the Obligations and the termination of this Agreement.

Section 10.23. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS REPRESENT THE FINAL AGREEMENT AMONG THE PARTIES AND MAY NOT BE CONTRADICTED BY EVIDENCE OF PRIOR, CONTEMPORANEOUS, OR SUBSEQUENT ORAL AGREEMENTS OF THE PARTIES. THERE ARE NO UNWRITTEN ORAL AGREEMENTS AMONG THE PARTIES.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by their respective authorized officers as of the day and year first above written.

BORROWER:

RING ENERGY, INC.

By: /s/ Travis T. Thomas

Name: Travis T. Thomas

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial
Officer

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT:

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.
as the Administrative Agent

By: /s/ Don B. Pinzon
Name: Don B. Pinzon
Title: Vice President

ISSUING BANK AND LENDER:

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.

as the Issuing Bank and as a Lender

By: /s/ Christopher Clark

Name: Christopher Clark

Title: Assistant Vice President

LENDER:

CITIZENS BANK, N.A.

as a Lender

By: /s/ Hernando Garcia

Name: Hernando Garcia

Title: Managing Director

LENDER:

KEYBANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

as a Lender

By: /s/ David M. Bornstein

Name: David M. Bornstein

Title: Senior Vice President

LENDER:

MIZUHO BANK, LTD.

as a Lender

By: /s/ Edward Sacks

Name: Edward Sacks

Title: Managing Director

LENDER:

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

as a Lender

By: /s/ Ryan Watson

Name: Ryan Watson

Title: Senior Vice President

LENDER:

TRUIST BANK

as a Lender

By: /s/ Farhan Iqbal

Name: Farhan Iqbal

Title: Director

LENDER:

CATHAY BANK

as a Lender

By: /s/ Dale T. Wilson

Name: Dale T. Wilson

Title: Senior Vice President

LENDER:

FIRST HORIZON BANK

as a Lender

By: /s/ Stacy Goldstein Cartier

Name: Stacy Goldstein Cartier

Title: Senior Vice President

LENDER:

**ZIONS BANCORPORATION, N.A. DBA AMEGY
BANK**

as a Lender

By: /s/ John Moffitt

Name: John Moffitt

Title: Senior Vice President

LENDER:

GOLDMAN SACHS LENDING PARTNERS LLC

as a Lender

By: /s/ Simon Collier

Name: Simon Collier

Title: Authorized Signatory

LENDER:

CITIBANK, N.A.

as a Lender

By: /s/ Thomas Skipper

Name: Thomas Skipper

Title: Director

SCHEDULE I**Applicable Margin and Applicable Percentage**

Pricing Level	Borrowing Base Utilization Percentage	Applicable Margin for Term SOFR Loans	Applicable Margin for Base Rate Loans	Applicable Percentage for Unused Commitment Fee
I	< 25%	2.75% <i>per annum</i>	1.75% <i>per annum</i>	0.50% <i>per annum</i>
II	≥ 25% but < 50%	3.00% <i>per annum</i>	2.00% <i>per annum</i>	0.50% <i>per annum</i>
III	≥ 50% but < 75%	3.25% <i>per annum</i>	2.25% <i>per annum</i>	0.50% <i>per annum</i>
IV	≥ 75% but < 90%	3.50% <i>per annum</i>	2.50% <i>per annum</i>	0.50% <i>per annum</i>
V	≥ 90%	3.75% <i>per annum</i>	2.75% <i>per annum</i>	0.50% <i>per annum</i>

SCHEDULE II**Pro Rata Shares, Elected Commitments and Maximum Loan Amounts**

Lender	Pro Rata Share	Elected Commitment	Maximum Loan Amount
Bank of America, N.A.	11.794872%	\$69,000,000.00	\$117,948,717.95
Citibank, N.A.	11.623932%	\$68,000,000.00	\$116,239,316.24
Citizens Bank, N.A.	11.623932%	\$68,000,000.00	\$116,239,316.24
KeyBank National Association	11.623932%	\$68,000,000.00	\$116,239,316.24
Mizuho Bank, Ltd.	11.623932%	\$68,000,000.00	\$116,239,316.24
Truist Bank	11.623932%	\$68,000,000.00	\$116,239,316.24
U.S. Bank National Association	11.623932%	\$68,000,000.00	\$116,239,316.24
Cathay Bank	5.982906%	\$35,000,000.00	\$59,829,059.83
First Horizon Bank	5.982906%	\$35,000,000.00	\$59,829,059.83
Zions Bancorporation, N.A. dba Amegy Bank	5.982906%	\$35,000,000.00	\$59,829,059.83
Goldman Sachs Lending Partners LLC	0.512821%	\$3,000,000.00	\$5,128,205.13
TOTAL	100.000000000000%	\$585,000,000.00	\$1,000,000,000.00



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RING ENERGY ANNOUNCES CREDIT FACILITY EXTENSION AND AMENDMENT

The Woodlands, TX – June 18, 2025 – Ring Energy, Inc. (NYSE American: REI) (“Ring” or the “Company”) today announced that the borrowing base was affirmed at \$585 million under its \$1.0 billion senior secured credit facility (the “Credit Facility”). In addition, the Credit Facility term was extended to June 2029, and Bank of America, N.A. was named as new Administrative Agent.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

Entered into a Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement with a borrowing base of \$585 million;

Extended Credit Facility term 34 months to June 2029, supported by an 11-member banking syndicate;

Reflects a 25 basis point reduction in the Applicable Margin pricing grid; and

Next regularly scheduled bank redetermination to occur during the fall of 2025.

Paul D. McKinney, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, commented, “Ring has worked to strengthen our balance sheet and improve the quality of assets supporting our Credit Facility. We value the ongoing support from our bank group and are pleased to have Bank of America as our new administrative agent. Despite oil and gas price volatility in 2025, our asset base enabled us to maintain a sufficient borrowing base, with only a slight reduction from last year. We continue to focus on generating free cash flow through cost reductions, divestitures of non-core assets, and acquiring high-margin, low-break-even assets, using excess cash to reduce debt and create value for stockholders across commodity price cycles.”

We further expanded our banking relationships by adding Citibank, N.A. to the syndicate which now includes Bank of America, N.A., Citizens Bank, N.A., KeyBanc National Association, Mizuho Bank, Ltd., Truist Bank, U.S. Bank National Association, Cathay Bank, First Horizon Bank, Amegy Bank and Goldman Sachs Lending Partners, LLC.

ABOUT RING ENERGY, INC.

Ring Energy, Inc. is an oil and gas exploration, development, and production company with current operations focused on the development of its Permian Basin assets. For additional information, please visit www.ringenergy.com.

SAFE HARBOR STATEMENT

This release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Forward-looking statements involve a wide variety of risks and uncertainties, and include, without limitation, statements with respect to the Company’s strategy and prospects, the Company’s efforts to manage commodity price volatility, and other areas of focus. Forward-looking statements are based on

current expectations and subject to numerous assumptions and analyses made by Ring and its management considering their experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments, as well as other factors appropriate under the circumstances. However, whether actual results and developments will conform to expectations is subject to a number of material risks and uncertainties. Such statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties which are disclosed in the Company's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), including its Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024, and its other SEC filings. Ring undertakes no obligation to revise or update publicly any forward-looking statements, except as required by law.

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