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I, William E. Aziz, of the Town of Oakville, in the Province of Ontario, MAKE OATH
AND SAY:

1. I am the President of BlueTree Advisors Inc., which has been retained by Li-Cycle Holdings Corp. ("**Holdings**") to provide my services as the Chief Restructuring Officer ("**CRO**") of Li-Cycle.¹
2. My appointment as the CRO of Holdings was approved pursuant to the Initial Order granted by the Ontario Superior Court of Justice (Commercial List) (the "**CCAA Court**") on May 14, 2025, under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* ("**CCAA**"). A copy of the Initial Order is attached hereto as **Exhibit "A"**.
3. As the CRO of Li-Cycle since May 1, 2025, I am familiar with the current operations, financial results and strategies of the Applicants. As such, I have personal knowledge of the

¹ For ease of reference, the Applicants and their subsidiaries will be collectively referred to herein as "**Li-Cycle**".

matters to which I depose in this affidavit. Where I do not possess personal knowledge, I have stated the source of my knowledge and believe it to be true.

4. This affidavit is sworn in support of a motion by the Applicants pursuant to the CCAA seeking:

- (a) an order (the “**Amended and Restated Initial Order**”), substantially in the form of the draft order included at Tab 2 of the Motion Record, among other things:
 - (i) amending and restating the Initial Order to provide relief relating to these CCAA proceedings that was not reasonably required prior to the comeback hearing on May 22, 2025 (the “**Comeback Hearing**”), such as the right to file a plan of arrangement and pursue a restructuring, and powers of the Monitor relating thereto;
 - (ii) extending the Stay of Proceedings (as defined below) to July 7, 2025;
 - (iii) approving a \$10.5 million debtor-in-possession credit facility (the “**DIP Facility**”) from Glencore International AG (the “**DIP Lender**”) and authorizing the Applicants to borrow thereunder to finance their working capital requirements, support the operations of their European subsidiaries and other general corporate purposes, post-filing expenses and costs, and granting the DIP Lender a court-ordered charge (the “**DIP Lender’s Charge**”) as security for the Applicants’ indebtedness under the DIP Facility;

- (iv) approving the Applicants' key employee retention plan (the "**KERP**") and granting the KERP Charge (as defined below); and
 - (v) authorizing the Applicants to pay certain pre-filing amounts owing to critical suppliers, with the consent of the Monitor and in accordance with the Budget (as defined in the DIP Term Sheet), to ensure ongoing supply.
- (b) an order approving the sale and realization process for the Applicants' assets (the "**Sale and Realization Process Order**"), substantially in the form of the draft order included at Tab 5 of the Motion Record, among other things:
- (i) approving a sale and investment solicitation process for the Property and Business of the Applicants (the "**SISP**");
 - (ii) authorizing the Applicants to implement the SISP, with the assistance of Alvarez & Marsal Canada Securities ULC (the "**Financial Advisor**") and supervised by Alvarez & Marsal Canada Inc. ("**A&M**"), in its capacity as the Court-appointed monitor of the Applicants (in such capacity, the "**Monitor**");
 - (iii) authorizing and approving the Applicants' execution of the equity and asset purchase agreement dated May 14, 2025 (the "**Stalking Horse Agreement**"), among all of the Applicants except Li-Cycle Inc. (the "**Sellers**") and Glencore Canada Corporation (the "**Stalking Horse Bidder**"), and approving the Stalking Horse Agreement solely for the

purposes of acting as the stalking horse bid in the SISP (the “**Stalking Horse Bid**”);

- (iv) approving the payment of the Expense Reimbursement and Break Fee (as defined below) (collectively, the “**Bid Protections**”) to the Stalking Horse Bidder in the event that another transaction is selected as the Successful Bid in the SISP, and granting a court-ordered charge (the “**Bid Protections Charge**”) as security for payment of the Bid Protections;
- (v) approving the anticipated agreement (the “**Liquidation Agreement**”) between Holdings and Tiger Capital Group, LLC (the “**Liquidation Consultant**”) which will be addressed in a supplementary affidavit; and
- (vi) authorizing the Applicants to commence the Realization Process for the Liquidation Property, with the assistance of the Liquidation Consultant, which will be addressed in a supplementary affidavit.

5. All dollar references herein are U.S. dollars unless otherwise referenced.

6. The affidavit of Ajay Kochhar dated May 12, 2025 (the “**Kochhar Affidavit**”) was previously filed in support of the Initial Order application. The Kochhar Affidavit also addresses the following relief sought by the Applicants in the Amended and Restated Initial Order, which will not be addressed again herein to prevent duplication:

- (a) granting the Transaction Fee Charge in the maximum amount of \$1 million; and

(b) increasing the Administration Charge from \$2 million to \$2.5 million.

7. The Kochhar Affidavit is included at Tab 2 of the Application Record dated May 12, 2025. All capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Kochhar Affidavit.

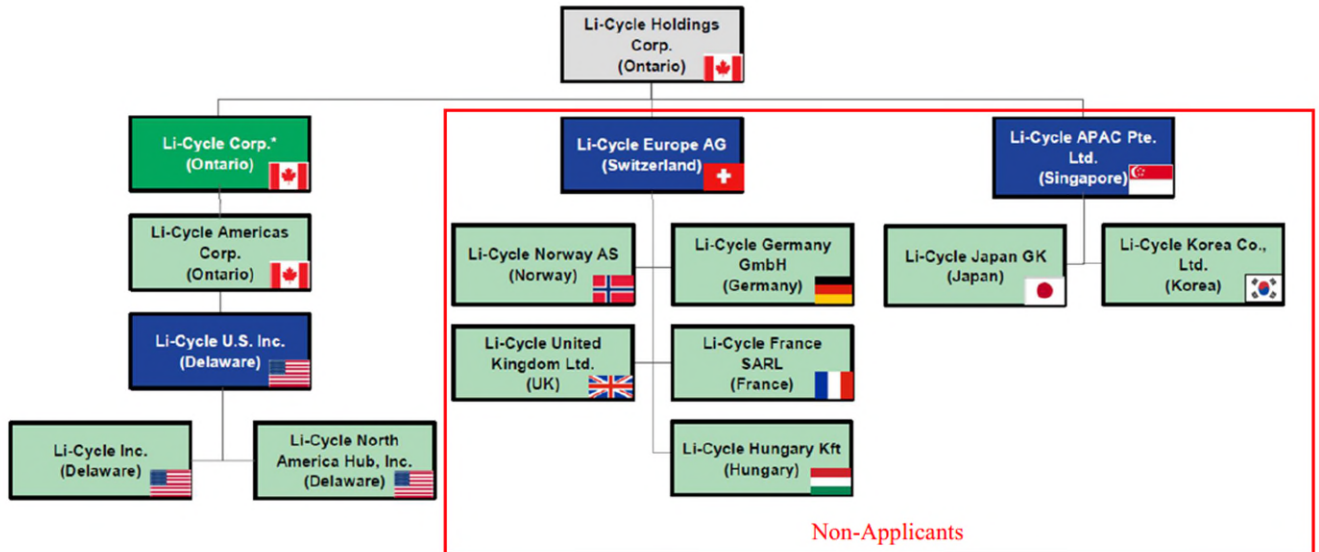
I. BACKGROUND AND STATUS OF THESE CCAA PROCEEDINGS

8. Li-Cycle is a global lithium-ion battery resource recovery company headquartered in Toronto, Ontario. Using its patent-protected Spoke & Hub Technologies™, Li-Cycle aims to recycle all different types of lithium-ion batteries, recovering critical battery-grade materials to create a closed-loop battery supply chain for a clean energy future.

9. Li-Cycle's "Spokes" are pre-processing facilities where Li-Cycle recycles battery manufacturing scrap and end-of-life batteries to produce, among other things, black mass containing valuable metals. Li-Cycle has one operating Spoke in Germany and four Spokes where operations are currently suspended in Ontario, New York, Arizona and Alabama.

10. Li-Cycle's planned "Hubs" are post-processing facilities where Li-Cycle would plan to process black mass to produce critical battery-grade materials which could then be used in the manufacture of batteries. Li-Cycle's first commercial Hub is partially constructed in Rochester, New York. Construction work on that Hub has been suspended since October 2023.

11. The Spokes and Hubs are managed from Li-Cycle's global head office in Toronto. The following is an organizational chart of the Applicants and their affiliates and a chart summarizing the key assets and operations of each Applicant:



Entity	Short Name	Incorporated	Assets and Operations
Applicants			
Li-Cycle Holdings Corp.	“Holdings”	Ontario	Public holding company, holds cash
Li-Cycle Corp.	“Global HQ”	Ontario	Operates global head office in Toronto, owns IP
Li-Cycle Americas Corp.	“Canada SpokeCo”	Ontario	Spoke in Kingston, ON
Li-Cycle U.S. Inc.	“North America OpCo”	Delaware	Commercial entity that sources inputs for, and sells the output from, the Spokes and future Hubs in Canada and US
Li-Cycle Inc.	“US SpokeCo”	Delaware	Spokes in Rochester, NY, Gilbert AZ and Tuscaloosa, AB
Li-Cycle North America Hub, Inc.	“US HubCo”	Delaware	Hub in Rochester, NY
Material Non-Applicants			

Entity	Short Name	Incorporated	Assets and Operations
Li-Cycle Europe AG	“ Europe Parent ”	Switzerland	Commercial entity that sources inputs for, and sells the output from, the Germany Spoke
Li-Cycle Germany GmbH	“ Germany SpokeCo ”	Germany	Spoke in Sülzetal, Germany

12. As a result of the numerous challenges that Li-Cycle encountered since the Fall of 2023 that severely strained its liquidity, which are described in detail in the Kochhar Affidavit, Li-Cycle determined that it was necessary and appropriate to commence these proceedings to obtain the breathing space necessary to maximize value for all of its stakeholders.

13. On May 14, 2025, the Honourable Justice Conway granted the Initial Order pursuant to the CCAA including, among other things:

- (a) granting a stay of proceedings until May 22, 2025 (the “**Stay Period**”);
- (b) appointing A&M as the Monitor;
- (c) approving my engagement as CRO and approving the engagements of (i) Michelle T. Faysal to act as interim chief financial officer, (ii) the Financial Advisor to assist with the SISP, and (iii) Maplebriar Holdings Inc. to provide the services of Mr. Kochhar to assist with the SISP;
- (d) authorizing the Applicants to continue to make Intercompany Advances to the other Applicants, with the consent of the Monitor;

- (e) granting the following charges over the Property:
 - (i) the Administration Charge (to the maximum amount of \$2 million);
 - (ii) the Directors' Charge (to a maximum amount of \$450,000); and
 - (iii) the Intercompany Charge (to the maximum amount of \$1 million);
- (f) authorizing the Applicants to incur no further expenses for the duration of the Stay Period in relation to any Securities Filings that may be required by the Securities Provisions; and
- (g) appointing me as the foreign representative, including to obtain recognition of these proceedings and the Initial Order pursuant to Chapter 15 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

14. Since the granting of the Initial Order, the Applicants have acted in good faith and with due diligence to stabilize the business and advance their restructuring objectives. In this regard, the Applicants have, with the assistance of the Monitor, among other things:

- (a) commenced the Chapter 15 Proceedings (as defined and detailed further below) and obtained an interim stay of proceedings in the United States;
- (b) issued a press release on May 14, 2025 announcing, among other things, the commencement of these CCAA proceedings, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit "B"**;
- (c) apprised all employees of the commencement of these CCAA proceedings;

- (d) contacted suppliers, landlords, customers and other stakeholders to apprise them of the commencement of these CCAA proceedings;
- (e) worked with the Monitor to respond to inquiries from the above stakeholders regarding these CCAA proceedings;
- (f) assisted the Monitor in preparing and delivering notices to creditors and other stakeholders in accordance with the Initial Order;
- (g) served a copy of the Initial Order on plaintiffs' counsel in the New York Securities Action, the Ontario Securities Action and the New York Derivative Action;
- (h) negotiated and executed the Liquidation Agreement (as defined below); and
- (i) prepared materials in support of the within motion.

II. CHAPTER 15 PROCEEDINGS

15. Shortly after the Initial Order was granted on May 14, 2025, in my capacity as foreign representative of the Applicants, I filed a Verified Petition for recognition of the CCAA Proceedings under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the “**U.S. Court**”) for Holdings, North America Opco, US SpokeCo and US HubCo (together, the “**Chapter 15 Debtors**”) and a motion seeking emergency provisional relief (the “**Ex Parte Motion**”).

16. Specifically, the Ex Parte Motion sought approval of an order:

- (a) staying any act seeking to (a) assert control over, execute against, possess, or repossess any of the Chapter 15 Debtors' US assets; (b) alter, terminate or interfere with the Chapter 15 Debtors' business or contractual rights; or (c) commence or continue any U.S. litigation against the Chapter 15 Debtors between May 14, 2025 and the date of the hearing to consider the recognition of the CCAA Proceedings in the US Court (the "**Recognition Hearing**"); and
- (b) shortening the notice period required under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code for scheduling the Recognition Hearing.

17. On May 14, 2025, the U.S. Court granted the requested order (the "**Ex Parte U.S. Order**") granting provisional relief staying execution against the U.S. assets and business operations of the Chapter 15 Debtors and shortening the applicable notice period such that the Recognition Hearing will be held on May 23, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. (Eastern Time) in anticipation of seeking recognition of any orders approved by this Court at the Comeback Hearing on May 22, 2025.

18. The U.S. Court noted:

The Foreign Representative has demonstrated good cause to shorten the notice period applicable to the Verified Petition, in that a notice period longer than provided by this Order risks substantial harm to the Chapter 15 Debtors' ability to efficiently and successfully conduct the Canadian Proceedings.

19. A copy of the Ex Parte U.S. Order is attached hereto as **Exhibit "C"**.

III. STAY EXTENSION

20. The Applicants are seeking an extension of the Stay Period to July 7, 2025. As detailed below, the SISP contemplates that the Applicants will seek approval of any Successful Bid(s) in the SISP by July 7, 2025. The Applicants are proposing to extend the Stay Period to the same date to maximize efficiency and preserve the resources of the Applicants and the Court. I do not believe that any creditor will be materially prejudiced by the proposed extension of the Stay Period.

21. I understand that the Monitor will be filing a cash flow forecast with its first report to the Court, to be filed, (the “**First Report**”), and that the cash flow forecast will demonstrate that, if the DIP Facility is approved, the Applicants are projected to have sufficient cash over the proposed extension of the Stay Period to enable the Applicants to meet their day-to-day obligations. I further understand that the Monitor supports the requested extension of the Stay Period and will provide further information in that regard in the First Report.

IV. DIP FACILITY

22. As detailed in the Kochhar Affidavit, on a consolidated basis the Applicants had approximately \$10.519 million in cash remaining as of the week ended May 9, 2025 and are expected to run out of cash imminently. Without additional financing, the Applicants would not have sufficient liquidity to pursue a value-maximizing outcome for their stakeholders in the SISP or undertake any other restructuring efforts.

23. Accordingly, the Applicants and the DIP Lender entered into a DIP Term Sheet in respect of the DIP Facility on May 14, 2025 (the “**DIP Term Sheet**”), with Holdings as borrower and the other Applicants as guarantors. A copy of the DIP Term Sheet is attached hereto as **Exhibit “D”**.

24. The key terms of the DIP Term Sheet are summarized below. Capitalized terms used in the below table that are not otherwise defined herein have the meaning given to such terms in the DIP Term Sheet:

Summary of Key Terms of the DIP Term Sheet	
Agreement	DIP Term Sheet dated May 14, 2025
Borrower	Li-Cycle Holdings Corp.
Guarantors	Li-Cycle Corp. Li-Cycle Americas Corp. Li-Cycle U.S. Inc. Li-Cycle Inc. Li-Cycle North America Hub, Inc.
Lender	Glencore International AG
DIP Facility	<p>A non-amortizing multi-draw term loan debtor-in-possession credit facility in the aggregate principal amount of <u>\$10.5 million</u>, of which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An aggregate principal amount of <u>\$9 million</u> will be available to fund the operations of the North American business (the “North American Facility”); and • An aggregate principal amount of <u>\$1.5 million</u> will be available to fund the operations of Li-Cycle Europe AG and Li-Cycle Germany GmbH (the “European Facility”). <p>There is also the potential to increase the maximum aggregate amount under the North American Facility by up to <u>\$1.25 million</u> if the Stalking Horse Bidder elects to exclude certain assets related the Rochester Hub pursuant to the Stalking Horse Agreement:</p>

Summary of Key Terms of the DIP Term Sheet	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If the Stalking Horse Bidder elects to designate <u>substantially all</u> of the assets related to the Rochester Hub as an “Excluded Asset”, including the real property, pursuant to the Stalking Horse Agreement, then the maximum aggregate amount under the North American Facility would be increased by <u>\$1.25 million</u>. • If the Stalking Horse Bidder elects to designate <u>a portion of</u> the assets related to the Rochester Hub as an “Excluded Asset” as set out in and pursuant to the Stalking Horse Agreement, then the maximum aggregate amount under the North American Facility would be increased by an amount equal to the Applicants’ costs to liquidate those assets up to a <u>maximum of \$1.25 million</u>.
Interest	11.3% per annum
Default Rate	An additional 2% per annum
Maturity Date	<p>The earliest to occur of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Outside Date in the Stalking Horse Agreement, which is July 18, 2025; • Closing of a sale of all or any part of the Transferred Assets (as defined in the Stalking Horse Agreement) to a third-party purchaser pursuant to an Alternative Transaction (as defined in the Stalking Horse Agreement); • Termination of the Stalking Horse Agreement in accordance with its terms; • The closing of the transactions contemplated in the Stalking Horse Agreement; • Termination of the CCAA proceeding or commencement of any other insolvency-related proceedings in relation to the Applicants; Europe Parent or Germany SpokeCo; and • The date of any acceleration of the DIP Loans.
Use of Proceeds	North American Facility: To fund paying amounts for the limited purpose of facilitating the CCAA proceeding, including the SISF, in

Summary of Key Terms of the DIP Term Sheet	
	<p>accordance with the Budget.</p> <p>European Facility: To fund the approved operating expenses of Europe Parent and Germany SpokeCo in accordance with the Budget.</p> <p>Drawings under the European Facility may be used by Holdings to make intercompany loans to Europe Parent and Germany SpokeCo (the “Intercompany Loans”) in accordance with the budgets for those entities, and Holdings has assigned its claims under those intercompany loans to the DIP Lender.</p>
Prepayments	No mandatory prepayments. Voluntary prepayments permitted with the consent of the Monitor without premium or penalty.
Financial Covenants	<p>Weekly compliance with the Budget, tested on an aggregate cumulative basis, subject to the Permitted Variance. The Permitted Variance is, generally:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) operating disbursements not to exceed Budget by more than 10%; (ii) professional fee disbursements not to exceed Budget by more than 10%; and (iii) cash receipts not to be lower than Budget by more than 10%. <p>Minimum liquidity of \$0.5 million, tested weekly, with liquidity being defined as unrestricted cash of Holdings on a consolidated basis.</p>
DIP Collateral	All present and after-acquired property of the Applicants including the Intercompany Loans

25. The DIP Facility is subject to customary covenants, conditions precedent, and representations and warranties made by the Applicants to the DIP Lender. Additionally, the DIP Facility is conditional upon, among other things, the issuance of the proposed Amended and Restated Initial Order approving the DIP Facility and granting a Court-ordered charge over the Property of the Applicants in favour of the DIP Lender to secure all amounts advanced by the

DIP Lender under the DIP Facility, together with all obligations, indebtedness, fees, costs and expenses of the Applicants under the DIP Term Sheet and the DIP Facility (the “**DIP Lender’s Charge**”).

26. I was involved in the negotiation of the DIP Term Sheet and believe its terms are reasonable in the circumstances. The DIP Term Sheet is the product of lengthy and intense negotiations between the parties and, coupled with the Stalking Horse Agreement, I believe that it represents the best and most viable path forward for the Applicants.

27. The Applicants also sought alternative DIP financing options from other parties. The Applicants obtained one other DIP proposal from a third party. The fees included in the proposed alternate DIP financing were higher than the fees contained in the proposed DIP Term Sheet. In addition, there were added complexities relating to pursuing DIP financing from parties other than Glencore in light of Glencore’s secured position, particularly in respect of obtaining a priming DIP charge over assets located in the United States.

28. Given their significant liquidity constraints, the Applicants require the DIP Facility to fund their operations and pursue the SISF in these CCAA proceedings to achieve a value-maximizing outcome for their stakeholders. Of particular note, the DIP Facility will provide liquidity to fund the ongoing operations of Europe Parent and Germany SpokeCo – which entities are not Applicants and operate Li-Cycle’s only operational Spoke. This will allow those entities to remain solvent and avoid a domestic insolvency filing and liquidation, which would be value-destructive for the Applicants and their stakeholders.

29. In all the circumstances, I believe that the DIP Term Sheet, DIP Facility and DIP Lenders' Charge are reasonable and serve to enhance the prospects of the Applicants' restructuring, particularly when coupled with the Stalking Horse Agreement.

V. STALKING HORSE AGREEMENT²

(i) Terms of Stalking Horse Agreement

30. Following significant negotiation in the lead-up to the Applicants commencing these CCAA proceedings, the Applicants entered into the Stalking Horse Agreement with the Stalking Horse Bidder (subject to Court approval) shortly ahead of the hearing for the Initial Order on May 14, 2025. A copy of the Stalking Horse Agreement is attached hereto as **Exhibit "E"**.

31. The Stalking Horse Agreement contemplates that, if selected as the Successful Bidder under the SISP, the Stalking Horse Bidder, or one or more of its designees, would, subject to the terms of the Stalking Horse Agreement, acquire, with exception of the Excluded Assets:

- (a) all of the Purchased Assets of Holdings, Global HQ, Canada SpokeCo, North America OpCo and US HubCo;
- (b) all of the Transferred Intellectual Property of Global HQ;
- (c) the shares of US SpokeCo held by North America OpCo; and
- (d) the Swiss Transferred Equity Interests of Europe Parent held by Holdings (of which Germany SpokeCo is a subsidiary).

² Capitalized terms used in this section that are not otherwise defined have the meanings given to them in the Stalking Horse Agreement.

32. The key terms of the Stalking Horse Agreement are summarized below:

Summary of Key Terms of the Stalking Horse Agreement	
Agreement	Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement dated as of May 14, 2025 between the Buyer and the Sellers
Buyer	Glencore Canada Corporation
Sellers	<p><u>Asset Sellers</u>: Holdings, Global HQ, Canada SpokeCo, North America OpCo and US HubCo</p> <p><u>Equity Sellers</u>: North American OpCo and Holdings</p> <p><u>Intellectual Property Seller</u>: Global HQ</p>
Purchased Assets and Transferred Equity Interests	<p><u>Purchased Assets</u>: With the exception of the Excluded Assets, all of the assets, properties and rights owned, used, held for use, leased or otherwise employed by Holdings, Global HQ, Canada SpokeCo, North America OpCo and US HubCo. The Excluded Assets include all owned and leased property of Canada SpokeCo. Glencore also retains the right to designate additional assets as Excluded Assets prior to Closing (without changing the purchase price).</p> <p><u>Transferred Equity Interests</u>: The shares of US SpokeCo held by North America OpCo and the shares of Europe Parent held by Holdings.</p>
Purchase Price	<p>The Purchase Price consists of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. \$40 million comprised of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • all amounts outstanding under the DIP Facility as of the Closing Date (the “Credit Bid Amount”); • the assumption by Buyer (or its designated Affiliate) of the Assumed Debt Obligations; 2. the assumption by Buyer (or its designated Affiliate) of the other Assumed Liabilities; 3. an amount of cash sufficient to satisfy all of the Charges granted in the Amended and Restated Initial Order or the SISP Order; (the “Purchase Price Cash Component”); and

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	<p>4. the Carve-out Condition Amount.</p> <p>The Credit Bid Amount shall be paid by means of a credit against (A) first, all amounts owing under the DIP Term Sheet and (B) second, the principal amount of the secured Convertible Note Obligations.</p> <p>The Purchase Price Cash Component shall be paid by the Stalking Horse Bidder to Holdings in cash at Closing. Any Carve-Out Condition Amount shall be paid by the Stalking Horse Bidder to Europe Parent in cash at Closing.</p>
Assumed Liabilities	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All post-Closing Liabilities arising under the Assumed Contracts. 2. Amounts required to cure any monetary defaults under the Assumed Contracts. 3. The Assumed Debt Obligations. 4. All post-Closing Liabilities relating to the Buyer's ownership or operation of the Business. 5. Transfer Taxes and other costs arising out of the transfer of the Purchased Assets. 6. All Accrued Wages with respect to Hired Employees.
Bid Protections	<p>In the event that the Stalking Horse Agreement is terminated in certain circumstances, including where an Alternative Transaction is selected as the Successful Bid in accordance with the SISP, the Buyer is entitled to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an expense reimbursement for Buyer's and its Affiliates' documented reasonable out-of-pocket expenses (without duplication to the fees and expenses incurred in connection with the DIP Term Sheet) incurred in connection with the Stalking Horse Agreement and/or the Transaction in an aggregate amount equal to the amount of such expenses, plus applicable Taxes, up to a maximum of \$200,000 (the "Expense Reimbursement"); and • a break fee equal to \$1.0 million, which together with the Expense Reimbursement, represents 3% of the Purchase Price (excluding for this purpose the value of the Assumed Liabilities,

Summary of Key Terms of the Stalking Horse Agreement	
	<p>the Purchase Price Cash Component and the Carve-out Condition Amount) (the “Break Fee”).</p> <p>The Expense Reimbursement and Break Fee are payable from the proceeds of an Alternative Transaction on closing of such Alternative Transaction.</p>
Representations and Warranties	<p>In addition to due authorization and authority representations, the Sellers provided customary representations and warranties, including with respect to the Transferred Entities, the Transferred Assets, environmental matters, employees, taxes and business operations are to be true on closing.</p>
“As Is, Where Is”	<p>The Transferred Entities, Transferred Assets and the Assumed Liabilities will be sold to the Purchaser on an “as is, where is” basis, subject to the representations and warranties contained in the Stalking Horse Agreement.</p>
Employees	<p>The Buyer may in its sole discretion provide offers of employment to any employees of the Sellers, providing for employment commencement dates on or after the Closing Date.</p>
Key Conditions to Closing	<p>Among other things, the following conditions are required to be satisfied (or waived by the Buyer in the Buyer’s sole discretion) on or prior to the Closing Date:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The DIP Term Sheet shall have been approved by the CCAA Court; 2. No event of default shall have occurred under the DIP Facility; 3. No Material Adverse Effect since the entering into of the Stalking Horse Agreement shall have occurred; 4. No law or order shall be in effect which prevents, renders illegal or otherwise prohibits the Transaction; 5. The SISP shall have been conducted in accordance with its terms and the terms of the SISP Order; 6. All shares or other equity interests in all Carve-Out Entities (UK SpokeCo, Norway SpokeCo, Hungary SpokeCo, France SpokeCo) shall have been validly transferred to Holdings; and

Summary of Key Terms of the Stalking Horse Agreement	
	7. This Court shall have granted the Initial Order, Amended and Restated Initial Order, SISP Order and the Approval and Vesting Order (which in each case must be in form and substance satisfactory to Glencore).
Closing Date	The date that is three (3) Business Days after all of the conditions set forth in Article VIII of the Stalking Horse Agreement have been satisfied or waived, or such other time or date as agreed to in writing by the Parties.
Termination	The Stalking Horse Agreement shall terminate upon standard breach terms and upon mutual written agreement between the Parties and on notice to the Monitor or if the Buyer is not the Successful Bid under the SISP.

33. Approval of the Stalking Horse Agreement is being sought solely for the purposes of approving it as the Stalking Horse Bid in the SISP. To the extent that the Stalking Horse Bid is the Successful Bid in the SISP, the Applicants will seek approval of the transactions contemplated by the Stalking Horse Agreement at a later hearing.

34. The Stalking Horse Bid is the product of significant negotiation and provides valuable consideration. Particularly since the Stalking Horse Bidder has agreed to purchase the shares of Europe Parent and U.S. SpokeCo, it also includes the assumption of liabilities that provide benefit to Li-Cycle's stakeholders and the prospect of a positive, going-concern outcome.

35. As described further below and in the Kochhar Affidavit, the Applicants had conducted a sale process with the assistance of Moelis over approximately 1.5 years in which no executable transaction was identified (the "**Moelis Process**"). The Applicants considered the results of the

Moelis Process as well as the other prospects identified therein and other potential stalking horse options, in entering into the transaction with the Stalking Horse Bidder.

36. Among other things, the Applicants concluded that entering into the Stalking Horse Agreement was sensible in light of:

- (a) the value and scope of the proposed Stalking Horse Agreement, including the assumption of liabilities provided for therein;
- (b) Glencore's willingness to also provide DIP Financing, conditioned on entering into the Stalking Horse Agreement;
- (c) Glencore's current secured position with approximately \$205.6 million in secured debt;
- (d) the results and options identified in the pre-filing Moelis Process;
- (e) the potential for continued employment for some of the Applicants' employees; and,
- (f) the Applicants' limited liquidity position and limited alternative options in the circumstances and available timeframe.

37. I believe that the Stalking Horse Bid has the potential to enhance the efficacy of the SISP and establish an appropriate floor for bids submitted in the SISP while also providing a degree of certainty and security for the Applicants and their stakeholders in this process.

38. I also believe that the terms of the Stalking Horse Bid are reasonable for the purposes of acting as a Stalking Horse Bid in the SISP and that the terms of the Stalking Horse Bid will not unduly impede a further robust canvassing of the market for potential sales of, or investments in, the Property and Business of the Applicants in all the circumstances.

(ii) Bidder Protections Charge

39. The Stalking Horse Agreement is conditional on a court-ordered charge being granted on the Property of the Applicants to secure the Expense Reimbursement (in the maximum amount of \$200,000) and the Break Fee (in the amount of \$1 million, which is 3% of the purchase price provided in the Stalking Horse Agreement, excluding the value of the Assumed Liabilities, the Purchase Price Cash Component and the Carve-out Condition Amount) (the “**Bidder Protections Charge**”). These Bidder Protections are only payable if another transaction is selected as the Successful Bid for the Stalking Horse Assets (defined below) and are payable from the proceeds of that transaction. The Bidder Protections Charge would be in the maximum amount of \$1.2 million.

40. The Bidder Protections Charge would rank behind the other Charges provided in Amended and Restated Initial Order.

41. The Monitor and the Financial Advisor have each advised that they are supportive of the approval of the Stalking Horse Agreement for the purposes of acting as the Stalking Horse Bid in the SISP. The Monitor has advised that it is supportive of the Bidder Protections Charge.

VI. THE SISP

42. The Applicants developed the SISP, in consultation with the Monitor and the Financial Advisor, to solicit interest in all of their right, title and interest in and to all of their Property, including the shares of Europe Parent and Li-Cycle APAC Pte. Ltd., and the Business of the Applicants (collectively, the “**SISP Assets**”). To maximize flexibility in the SISP, the Applicants will consider a bid for all of the assets or separate bids to acquire some but not all of the SISP Assets.

43. The SISP includes a notification process and two phases to evaluate proposals from qualified interested bidders. This process is described in greater detail below.

44. The Applicants, with the assistance of the Financial Advisor and under the supervision of the Monitor, will be responsible for the marketing and sale of the SISP Assets pursuant to the SISP.

(i) Extensive Pre-Filing Marketing Efforts

45. The SISP is a continuation of the broad market canvass that the Applicants have already undertaken over the course of the last 1.5 years with the assistance of Moelis. The Moelis Process is outlined in detail in the Kochhar Affidavit.

46. Given the nature of Li-Cycle’s business there is also a relatively discrete list of potential strategic counterparties, many of whom have already been involved as part of the Moelis Process. Many of these counterparties have existing and active relevant NDAs and have conducted significant previous diligence on Li-Cycle.

47. Furthermore, with a view to maximizing the time available to potential bidders and recognizing the Applicants' liquidity constraints, the Applicants, with the assistance of the Financial Advisor, commenced the marketing process on May 12, 2025. The Applicants provided the Financial Advisor with a list of potential bidders from their previous marketing efforts, which the Financial Advisor has supplemented.

48. The Financial Advisor team, led by Mr. Hugh Rowan-Legg who is its Managing Director and Head of Corporate Finance & Investment Banking, have been reporting to me on a regular basis on the progress of their market outreach efforts. I am advised by Mr. Rowan-Legg that, as of May 15, 2025:

- (a) A teaser and NDA have been distributed to 144 potential bidders, including 78 strategic buyers and 66 financial sponsors;
- (b) 16 NDAs have been executed and another 12 are currently in process;
- (c) All interested parties with executed NDAs have received the Confidential Information Package (as defined below);
- (d) All 16 of the potential bidders with executed NDAs are actively working and evaluating the opportunity based on information in the Data Room (as defined below) that opened May 14, 2025; and
- (e) 32 potential bidders have declined the opportunity.

49. The Financial Advisor further advises that next steps will include continued, targeted outreach and follow-up, facilitating due diligence for interested parties and coordination of in-person site visits.

(ii) SISP Milestones

50. In consultation with the Monitor and Financial Advisor, with a view to balancing the Applicants' desire to maximize the solicitation of interest in the SISP Assets, the efficient resolution of these CCAA proceedings and the Applicants' liquidity constraints, the Applicants propose the following timeline for the material steps in the SISP (the "**SISP Milestones**") (with all time referenced being prevailing Eastern Time):

Milestone	Deadline
Teaser Letter and NDA sent to Known Potential Bidders	By May 12, 2025
Phase 1 Bid Deadline	June 6, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.
Phase 2 Bid Deadline	June 27, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.
Selection of Successful Bid(s) and Back-Up Bidder(s) or designation of Auction	June 30, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.
Auction Date (if designated)	July 2, 2025
Approval of Successful Bid(s)	July 7, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.
Closing – Successful Bid(s)	July 16, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.
Outside Date – Closing	July 18, 2025

51. The Applicants and the Financial Advisor have the right to modify the SISP with the prior written approval of the Monitor and consultation with the Stalking Horse Bidder if they consider that such modification will enhance the process or better achieve the objectives of the SISP.

52. The Applicants and Financial Advisor will be able to leverage the extensive marketing efforts conducted in the Moelis Process, as well as the marketing done by the Financial Advisor since May 12, 2025. The Financial Advisor has been provided with information regarding the Moelis Process including the list of Known Potential Bidders (described below).

53. The SISP Milestones take into account the pre-filing marketing done to date, the relatively discrete group of potential parties who have already been made aware of the opportunity, and the cashflow constraints facing the Applicants.

54. I have been advised by Mr. Rowan-Legg that the Financial Advisor believes the SISP Timeline is appropriate in the circumstances and will provide sufficient opportunity to solicit interest for a sale of the SISP Assets.

55. In all the circumstances and based on my experience, I believe that the SISP Milestones are reasonable and appropriate.

(iii) Notification Process and Phase 1

56. Notice of the SISP is to be provided pursuant to the following:

- (a) The Applicants and the Financial Advisor have prepared a list of potential bidders including (i) parties that have approached the Applicants, the Financial Advisor or the Monitor indicating an interest in bidding, including as part of any prior solicitation efforts, (ii) local and internal strategic and financial parties who the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, believe may be interested and (iii) any other parties reasonably suggested by a stakeholder as a potential bidder (collectively, “**Known Potential Bidders**”);
- (b) a notice of the SISP (the “**SISP Notice**”) to be published in *The Globe and Mail* and any other publications as the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, consider appropriate, if any;
- (c) a press release setting out the information contained in the SISP Notice and such other relevant information which the Applicants and the Financial Advisor consider appropriate for dissemination in Canada and the United States; and
- (d) a process summary (the “**Teaser Letter**”) describing the opportunity, developed by the Financial Advisor and the Applicants, in consultation with the Monitor, and a non-disclosure agreement (the “**NDA**”).

57. In accordance with the SISP Milestones, the Financial Advisor sent the Teaser Letter and an NDA to all Known Potential Bidders on May 12, 2025. A copy of the Teaser Letter is attached hereto as **Exhibit “F”**.

58. The Teaser Letter and an NDA will also be available to any party who requests a copy or who is identified to the Financial Advisor, the Applicants or the Monitor as a potential bidder. A process letter outlining the SISP Milestones, desired bid structure and any additional information in respect of the SISP will be approved by the Monitor and circulated to all potential bidders that have executed an NDA.

59. Any Related Person that wishes to submit or participate in the SISP must declare that intention to the Financial Advisor and the Monitor in writing by June 6, 2025 and until they do so, the Financial Advisor and the Monitor will limit the sharing of information with those Related Persons to ensure and preserve the fairness of the SISP.

60. Any party who wishes to participate in the SISP (a “**Potential Bidder**”) must provide the Financial Advisor with an NDA (unless one already remains in effect), contact information and full disclosure of the direct and indirect principals of the Potential Bidder. Each such Potential Bidder who has provided this information and is determined by the Applicants and Financial Advisor to be likely to be able to consummate a sale or investment pursuant to the SISP, will be deemed a “**Phase 1 Qualified Bidder**”.

61. Each Phase 1 Qualified Bidder will be provided with access to a confidential information package providing additional information about the SISP Assets (the “**Confidential Information Package**”) and will be provided access to an electronic data room containing due diligence information (the “**Data Room**”).

62. A Phase 1 Qualified Bidder that wishes to pursue the SISP opportunity must deliver a non-binding letter of interest such that it is received by the Financial Advisor by 5:00 p.m. on or before June 6, 2025.

63. To be considered a qualified LOI (a “**Qualified LOI**”), it must, among other things:

- (a) be submitted on or before the Phase 1 Bid Deadline by a Phase 1 Qualified Bidder;
- (b) contain an indication of whether the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder is proposing:
 - (i) to acquire all, substantially all or a portion of the Property (a “**Sale Proposal**”), or
 - (ii) a recapitalization, arrangement or other form of investment in or reorganization of the Business (an “**Investment Proposal**”);
- (c) identify (i) the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder and representatives thereof who are authorized to appear and act on behalf of the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder for all purposes regarding the transaction; and (ii) each entity or person that will be sponsoring, participating in or benefitting from the transaction contemplated by the LOI;
- (d) state that the LOI does not entitle the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder to any break-up fee, termination fee, expense reimbursement, or similar type of payment or reimbursement;

- (e) in the case of a Sale Proposal, identify, among other things, the purchase price, the Property expected to be subject to the transaction and any Property to be excluded, proposed treatment of employees and material agreements, a specific indication of financial capability and structure and financing of the transaction, conditions an approvals required, a description of any due diligence required, and any other material terms or conditions;
- (f) in the case of an Investment Proposal, identify, among other things, how the proposed investment will be structured, the aggregate amount of the equity and/or debt investment to be made, key assumptions supporting the valuation, the proposed treatment of material contracts and employees, a specific indication of the sources of capital and structure and financing of the transaction, conditions and approvals required, a description of any due diligence required, and any other material terms or conditions.

64. The Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, may waive compliance with any one or more of the requirements and deem such a non-compliant bid as a Qualified LOI.

(iv) Determination of Phase 2 Qualified Bidders

65. Following the Phase 1 Bid Deadline, the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, will assess the Qualified LOIs. A Phase 1 Qualified Bidder may be deemed a “**Phase 2 Qualified Bidder**” where: (a) the bidder has submitted a Qualified LOI; (b) the bidder has a *bona fide* interest in completing a Sale Proposal or Investment Proposal (as

the case may be); and (c) the bidder has the financial capability (based on availability of financing, experience and other considerations) to consummate such a transaction based on the financial information provided.

66. The Applicants and the Financial Advisor may, in their reasonable business judgment and after consultation with and approval of the Monitor, limit the number of Phase 2 Qualified Bidders (and thereby eliminate some bidders from the process) taking into account any material adverse impact on the operations and performance of the Applicants. The Stalking Horse Bidder is automatically considered a Phase 2 Qualified Bidder.

(v) Phase 2

67. Phase 2 Qualified Bidders that wish to make a formal offer to purchase or make an investment in the Applicants or the Property and Business must submit a binding offer (a “**Bid**”) such that it is received by the Financial Advisor by no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 27, 2025.

68. To be considered a Qualified Bid, the bid must, among other things:

- (a) comply with all of the requirements in respect of Phase 1 Qualified LOIs (listed above);
- (b) either individually or in combination with other bids that make up one bid, be an offer to purchase or make an investment in some or all of the Property or Business on terms and conditions communicated to Phase 2 Qualified Bidders;

- (c) include a letter stating that the Phase 2 Qualified Bidder's offer is irrevocable until the selection of the Successful Bidder, provided that if such Phase 2 Qualified Bidder is selected as the Successful Bidder, its offer shall remain irrevocable until the closing of the transaction with the Successful Bidder;
- (d) include duly authorized and executed transaction agreements, including the purchase price, investment amount and any other key economic terms expressed in U.S. dollars (the "**Purchase Price**"), together with all exhibits and schedules thereto and blacklines to any model documents provided by the Applicants and uploaded onto the Data Room;
- (e) provide for aggregate cash consideration, payable in full on closing, in an amount sufficient to fully satisfy all outstanding amounts secured by each of the Court-ordered charges granted in these CCAA proceedings as of the date of closing (such amount, the "**Charge Payout Amount**");
- (f) include written evidence of a firm, irrevocable commitment for financing or other evidence of ability to consummate the proposed transaction;
- (g) not be conditioned on, among other things, obtaining financing or the outcome of unperformed due diligence by the Phase 2 Qualified Bidder;
- (h) fully disclose the identity of each entity that will be entering into the transaction or the financing, or that is participating or benefiting from such bid;

- (i) include a commitment to provide a non-refundable deposit in the amount of not less than 10% of the Purchase Price upon the Phase 2 Qualified Bidder being selected as the Successful Bidder or the Back-Up Bidder; and
- (j) include certain acknowledgements and representations of the Phase 2 Qualified Bidder, evidence that the submission of the transactions agreements has been duly authorized, and other information required by the Applicants, the Financial Advisor or the Monitor.

69. Following the Phase 2 Bid Deadline, the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, will assess the bids and designate the most competitive bids that comply with the above requirements to be Qualified Bids.

70. The Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, may waive compliance with any of the above requirements and deem the bid to be a Qualified Bid if appropriate. The Stalking Horse Bid will automatically be considered a Qualified Bid.

71. To the extent that no Qualified Bids (other than the Stalking Horse Bid) are received by the Phase 2 Bid Deadline for the assets to be acquired pursuant to the Stalking Horse Agreement (the “**Stalking Horse Assets**”), the Stalking Horse Bid shall be deemed to be the Successful Bid as it relates to the Stalking Horse Assets, and the SISP shall not proceed to an Auction in respect of the Stalking Horse Assets. The Applicants may only designate a Bid as a Qualified Bid for the Stalking Horse Assets where the proposed Purchase Price is equal or greater than that contained in the Stalking Horse Bid (including the amount of any Assumed Liabilities thereunder) plus the

Charge Payout Amount (to the extent not duplicative of the purchase price contained in the Stalking Horse Bid) plus the Expense Reimbursement and Break Fee plus \$500,000.

(vi) Selection of Successful Bid

72. The Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, will review the Qualified Bids and may enter into negotiations with Phase 2 Qualified Bidders to improve their respective Qualified Bids. The Qualified Bids will be valued based on several factors, including:

- (a) the Purchase Price and the net value provided by such Bid;
- (b) the claims likely to be created by such bid in relation to other Bids;
- (c) the identity, circumstances and ability of the Phase 2 Qualified Bidder to successfully complete such transactions; the proposed transaction documents;
- (d) the effects of the Bid on the stakeholders of the Applicants;
- (e) factors affecting the speed, certainty and value of the transaction (including any regulatory approvals or third party contractual arrangements required to close the transactions);
- (f) the assets included or excluded from the Bid;
- (g) any related restructuring costs; and
- (h) the likelihood and timing of consummating such transactions.

73. In the event there is more than one Qualified Bid, in addition to the Court-approved Stalking Horse Bid, then, no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 30, 2025, the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, may determine the Successful Bid(s) and any Back-Up Bid(s) or may determine that the Successful Bid will be identified through an Auction. Any such Auction will be conducted in accordance with procedures to be determined by the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor.

74. To participate in the Auction in respect of the Stalking Horse Assets Qualified Bidders must satisfy the Monitor of their ability to deliver a deposit top-up equivalent to the Stalking Horse Bidder's Expense Reimbursement and Break Fee, in the event that such Qualified Party's Bid is the Successful Bid.

75. Any Auction will commence no later than 12:00 p.m. on July 2, 2025 and any Successful Bids and Back-Up Bids must be selected by no later than 5:00 p.m. on July 2, 2025.

76. Without impacting its obligations under the Stalking Horse Agreement, the Applicants shall have no obligation to enter into a Successful Bid and reserve the right, after consultation with the Monitor and the Financial Advisor, to reject any or all Phase 2 Qualified Bids except for the Stalking Horse Bid.

77. The Applicants will subsequently seek the approval of this Court to consummate the transactions with the Successful Bidder contemplated by the Successful Bid. The Applicants will also seek an order from the U.S. Court pursuant to section 363 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code with respect to any Successful Bid that includes U.S. assets. The SISP Milestones provide that any such Approval Motions will be heard by July 7, 2025.

(vii) The SISP Should be Approved

78. The SISP was developed by the Applicants in consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor. The SISP is designed to facilitate the continuation of the extensive market canvass already conducted in the Moelis Process and continued by the Financial Advisor.

79. The Applicants believe that the SISP will provide a flexible, efficient, fair and equitable process for canvassing the market for potential buyers of the Property and maximizing recovery for the Applicants' stakeholders. As such, the Applicants believe that the SISP's approval and implementation is in the best interests of the Applicants and their stakeholders. The rights provided to the DIP Lender and Stalking Horse Bidder in relation to the SISP are appropriate and will not impede a robust canvassing of the market.

80. The Monitor has advised that it is supportive of the proposed SISP and believes that the SISP is the best option available to the Applicants at this time.

VII. KEY EMPLOYEE RETENTION PLAN

(i) Terms of the KERP

81. Prior the commencement of these CCAA proceedings, the Applicants instituted various cash conservation measures, which included terminating and/or furloughing various employees and pausing operations in various locations. The Applicants now depend on a more limited group of employees to continue their scaled-back operations, preserve and protect the Property, assist with these CCAA proceedings and conduct the SISP.

82. In light of the considerable uncertainty created by the Applicants' financial position – which was well-known as a result of the public filings made by Holdings – as well as the effects of the financial condition of the Applicants such as not providing bonuses to employees, employee retention is of particular concern for the Applicants.

83. In my role as CRO I have become aware that certain employees have considered alternative employment opportunities and certain employees have indeed left the company in recent weeks.

84. Working together with the Monitor, the Applicants have established a KERP to incentivize 25 key employees (the “**KERP Employees**”) to remain in their employment during these CCAA proceedings. The KERP was approved by the board of directors of the Applicants and has been reviewed and considered by the Monitor. A copy of the KERP with the names of the KERP Employees and the incentive payments to be made to them redacted is attached as **Exhibit “G”**. A copy of the unredacted KERP is attached hereto as **Confidential Exhibit “H”**.

85. The KERP Employees occupy key roles with the Applicants and include employees in management, operations, finance, IT, legal, sales, human resources and payroll. The KERP Employees could not be readily or easily replaced in the near term due to their (i) institutional knowledge of the operations and processes of the Applicants and, (ii) important roles in the ensuring the stability of the business and the efficient conduct of the SISP and Realization Process. Any process to find appropriately qualified replacements would be difficult and costly, particularly given the specialized nature of the Applicants' business.

86. Without the KERP and KERP Charge, I believe that the Key Employees will consider other employment options.

87. The KERP contemplates a proposed payout to the KERP Employees (the “**KERP Incentive Payment**”) on the earliest of:

- (a) July 31, 2025;
- (b) When the KERP Employee’s employment is terminated, without cause; or
- (c) The consummation of a transaction that (1) effectuates a recapitalization or restructuring of a material portion of Li-Cycle’s outstanding indebtedness, or (2) involves an acquisition, merger, or other business combination pursuant to which a majority of the business, equity, or operating assets of Li-Cycle is sold, purchased, or combined with another entity or company

(the “**KERP Retention Period**”).

88. The KERP Incentive Payment will be made to an KERP Employee entitled to receive it in one lump sum within five business days of the expiry of the KERP Retention Period for that KERP Employee. Payment of the KERP Incentive Payment is subject to the KERP Employee’s compliance with the following conditions:

- (a) the KERP Employee must remain employed in their current position, or as otherwise required by Li-Cycle, through to the end of the KERP Retention Period;

- (b) the KERP Employee must fulfill their performance expectations and work their regular schedule;
- (c) the KERP Employee shall have maintained the confidentiality of the KERP;
- (d) the KERP Employee shall not have breached the non-disparagement terms set out the KERP;
- (e) unscheduled absences, for any reason, for more than five (5) cumulative days, in any month, throughout the KERP Retention Period will result in a *pro rata* reduction of the KERP Incentive Payment for the days that exceed the allowable five; and,
- (f) if, during the KERP Retention Period, KERP Employees do not meet performance expectations, voluntarily resign or retire, or involuntarily separate for any reason, other than disability, death, or termination without cause, they will not receive any KERP Incentive Payment, prorated or otherwise.

89. The aggregate of the KERP Incentive Payments is CAD \$869,973.92 and USD \$672,075.46 (the “**KERP Employee Funds**”).

(ii) KERP Charge

90. The proposed Amended and Restated Initial Order would approve the Applicants paying to the Monitor:

- (a) the KERP Employee Funds, for the benefit of participants in the KERP; and

- (b) \$113,000 (\$100,000 + HST), as security for the “Work Fee” of Maplebriar pursuant to the Maplebriar Engagement Letter (which represents two months of “Work Fees”) (the “**Maplebriar Work Fee Funds**” and collectively with the KERP Employee Funds, the “**KERP Funds**”).

91. The proposed Amended and Restated Initial Order provides a court-ordered charge solely over the KERP Funds (the “**KERP Charge**”) for the benefit of participants in the KERP and Maplebriar.

92. I am of the view that the KERP and the KERP Charge are appropriate and in the best interests of the Applicants and their stakeholders generally. I understand that the Monitor supports the KERP and the KERP Charge.

(iii) Sealing of Unredacted KERP

93. The unredacted KERP contains commercially sensitive and personal information regarding the identity and compensation of the KERP Employees, the disclosure of which could adversely impact the Applicants and the KERP Employees. Accordingly, the proposed Amended and Restated Initial Order provides that Confidential Exhibit “H” be sealed and not form part of the public record unless otherwise ordered by this Court.

VIII. CONCLUSION

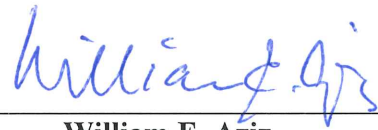
94. For the reasons set out herein, the Applicants respectfully request that this Court grant the additional relief requested herein as part of the Amended and Restated Initial Order, and grant the Sale and Realization Process Order.

SWORN BEFORE ME over videoconference this 16th day of May, 2025 in accordance with O. Reg. 431/20, Administering Oath or Declaration Remotely. The affiant was in the Town of Oakville, in the Province of Ontario, in the Country of Canada, and the commissioner was in the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, in the Country of Canada.



A Commissioner for taking Affidavits, etc.

Name: Meena Alnajar LSO#: 89626N



William E. Aziz

Tab A

This is Exhibit "A" referred to in the
Affidavit of **William E. Aziz**,
sworn before me on May 16, 2025

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Meena", followed by a stylized flourish or initial.

A Commissioner for taking Affidavits (or as may be)
Meena Alnajar LSO #: 89626N



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THE HONOURABLE) WEDNESDAY, THE 14TH DAY
JUSTICE CONWAY) OF MAY, 2025

IN THE MATTER OF THE *COMPANIES' CREDITORS
ARRANGEMENT ACT*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED

AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED PLAN
OF COMPROMISE OR ARRANGEMENT WITH RESPECT TO
LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP., LI-CYCLE CORP., LI-CYCLE AMERICAS CORP.,
LI-CYCLE U.S. INC., LI-CYCLE INC. AND LI-CYCLE NORTH AMERICA HUB, INC.

Applicants

INITIAL ORDER

THIS APPLICATION, made by the Applicants for an initial order pursuant to the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the "**CCAA**") was heard this day by judicial videoconference.

ON READING the affidavit of Ajay Kochhar sworn May 12, 2025 and the Exhibits thereto (the "**Kochhar Affidavit**"), the consent of Alvarez & Marsal Canada Inc. ("**A&M**") to act as the Monitor (in such capacity, the "**Monitor**"), and the Pre-Filing Report of A&M in its capacity as the proposed Monitor, and on hearing the submissions of counsel for the Applicants, A&M and such other parties as listed on the counsel slip.

SERVICE

1. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the time for service and filing of the Notice of Application and the Application Record is hereby abridged and validated so that this Application is properly returnable today and hereby dispenses with further service thereof.

APPLICATION

2. **THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES** that the Applicants are companies to which the CCAA applies.

POSSESSION OF PROPERTY AND OPERATIONS

3. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall remain in possession and control of their current and future assets, undertakings and properties of every nature and kind whatsoever, and wherever situate including all proceeds thereof (the “**Property**”). Subject to further Order of this Court, the Applicants shall continue to carry on business in a manner consistent with the preservation of their businesses (the “**Business**”) and Property. The Applicants are authorized and empowered to continue to retain and employ the employees, contractors, consultants, agents, experts, accountants, advisors, counsel and such other persons (collectively “**Assistants**”) currently retained or employed by them, with liberty to retain such further Assistants as they deem reasonably necessary or desirable in the ordinary course of business, to preserve the value of the Property or for the carrying out of the terms of this Order.

4. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall be entitled to continue to utilize the central cash management system currently in place or, with the consent of the Monitor, replace it with another substantially similar central cash management system (the “**Cash Management System**”) and that any present or future bank providing the Cash Management System shall not be under any obligation whatsoever to inquire into the propriety, validity or legality of any transfer, payment, collection or other action taken under the Cash Management System, or as to the use or application by the Applicants of funds transferred, paid, collected or otherwise dealt with in the Cash Management System, shall be entitled to provide the Cash Management System without any liability in respect thereof to any Person (as hereinafter defined) other than the Applicants, pursuant to the terms of the documentation applicable to the Cash Management System, and shall be, in its capacity as provider of the Cash Management System, an unaffected

creditor under any plan of compromise or arrangement (a “**Plan**”) with regard to any claims or expenses it may suffer or incur in connection with the provision of the Cash Management System.

5. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall be entitled but not required to pay the following expenses whether incurred prior to, on or after the date of this Order:

- (a) all outstanding and future wages, salaries, contract amounts, employee and pension benefits, vacation pay and expenses (including, without limitation, in respect of expenses charged by employees to corporate credit cards) payable on or after the date of this Order, in each case incurred in the ordinary course of business and consistent with existing compensation policies and arrangements; and
- (b) the fees and disbursements of any Assistants retained or employed by the Applicants in respect of these proceedings, at their standard rates and charges.

6. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, except as otherwise provided to the contrary herein, the Applicants shall be entitled but not required to pay all reasonable expenses incurred by the Applicants in carrying on the Business in the ordinary course after this Order, and in carrying out the provisions of this Order, which expenses shall include, without limitation:

- (a) all expenses and capital expenditures reasonably necessary for the preservation of the Property or the Business including, without limitation, payments on account of insurance (including directors and officers insurance), maintenance and security services;
- (b) expenses required to ensure compliance with any governmental or regulatory rules, orders or directions; and
- (c) payment for goods or services actually supplied to the Applicants following the date of this Order.

7. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall remit, in accordance with legal requirements, or pay:

- (a) any statutory deemed trust amounts in favour of the Crown in right of Canada or of any Province thereof or any other taxation authority which are required to be deducted from employees' wages, including, without limitation, amounts in respect of (i) employment insurance, (ii) Canada Pension Plan, (iii) income taxes, and (iv) statutory deductions in the United States, and all other amounts related to such deductions or employee wages payable for periods following the date of this Order pursuant to the *Income Tax Act*, the *Canada Pension Plan*, the *Employment Insurance Act* or similar provincial statutes;
- (b) all goods and services or other applicable sales taxes (collectively, “**Sales Taxes**”) required to be remitted by the Applicants in connection with the sale of goods and services by the Applicants, but only where such Sales Taxes are accrued or collected after the date of this Order, or where such Sales Taxes were accrued or collected prior to the date of this Order but not required to be remitted until on or after the date of this Order; and
- (c) any amount payable to the Crown in right of Canada or of any Province thereof or any political subdivision thereof or any other taxation authority in respect of municipal realty, municipal business or other taxes, assessments or levies of any nature or kind which are entitled at law to be paid in priority to claims of secured creditors and which are attributable to or in respect of the carrying on of the Business by the Applicants.

8. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that until a real property lease is disclaimed in accordance with the CCAA, the Applicants shall pay all amounts constituting rent or payable as rent under real property leases (including, for greater certainty, common area maintenance charges, utilities and realty taxes and any other amounts payable to the landlord under the lease) or as otherwise may be negotiated between the Applicants and the landlord from time to time (“**Rent**”), for the period commencing from and including the date of this Order, twice-monthly in equal payments on the first and fifteenth day of each month, in advance (but not in arrears), or, at the election of the applicable Applicant, at such intervals as such Rent is usually paid pursuant to the applicable

lease. On the date of the first of such payments, any Rent relating to the period commencing from and including the date of this Order shall also be paid.

9. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, except as specifically permitted herein, the Applicants are hereby directed, until further Order of this Court: (a) to make no payments of principal, interest thereon or otherwise on account of amounts owing by the Applicants to any of their creditors as of this date; (b) to grant no security interests, trust, liens, charges or encumbrances upon or in respect of any of their Property; and (c) to not grant credit or incur liabilities except in the ordinary course of the Business.

RESTRUCTURING

10. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall, subject to such requirements as are imposed by the CCAA, have the right to:

- (a) terminate the employment of such of their employees or temporarily lay off such of their employees as it deems appropriate; and
- (b) pursue all avenues of refinancing or selling their Business or Property, in whole or part, subject to prior approval of this Court being obtained before any material refinancing or sale,

all of the foregoing to permit the Applicants to proceed with an orderly restructuring of the Business (the “**Restructuring**”).

11. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall provide each of the relevant landlords with notice of the Applicants’ intention to remove any fixtures from any leased premises at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the intended removal. The relevant landlord shall be entitled to have a representative present in the leased premises to observe such removal and, if the landlord disputes the Applicants’ entitlement to remove any such fixture under the provisions of the lease, such fixture shall remain on the premises and shall be dealt with as agreed between any applicable secured creditors, such landlord and the Applicants, or by further Order of this Court upon application by the Applicants on at least two (2) days notice to such landlord and any such secured creditors. If any of the Applicants disclaim the lease governing such leased premises in accordance with Section 32 of the CCAA, it shall not be required to pay Rent under such lease

pending resolution of any such dispute (other than Rent payable for the notice period provided for in Section 32(5) of the CCAA), and the disclaimer of the lease shall be without prejudice to the Applicants' claims to the fixtures in dispute.

12. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that if a notice of disclaimer is delivered pursuant to Section 32 of the CCAA, then (a) during the notice period prior to the effective time of the disclaimer, the landlord may show the affected leased premises to prospective tenants during normal business hours, on giving the Applicants and the Monitor 24 hours' prior written notice, and (b) at the effective time of the disclaimer, the relevant landlord shall be entitled to take possession of any such leased premises without waiver of or prejudice to any claims or rights such landlord may have against the Applicants in respect of such lease or leased premises, provided that nothing herein shall relieve such landlord of its obligation to mitigate any damages claimed in connection therewith.

NO PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE APPLICANTS OR THE PROPERTY

13. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that until and including May 22, 2025 or such later date as this Court may order (the "**Stay Period**"), no proceeding or enforcement process in any court or tribunal (each, a "**Proceeding**") shall be commenced or continued against or in respect of the Applicants or the Monitor or their respective employees, advisors or representatives acting in such capacities, or affecting the Business or the Property (including, for greater certainty, any process or steps or other rights and remedies under or relating to any class action proceeding against any of the Applicants or in respect of the Property), except with the written consent of the Applicants and the Monitor, or with leave of this Court, and any and all Proceedings currently under way against or in respect of the Applicants or their respective employees, advisors or representatives acting in such capacities or affecting the Business or the Property are hereby stayed and suspended pending further Order of this Court.

14. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, to the extent any prescription, time or limitation period relating to any Proceeding against or in respect of any of the Applicants that is stayed pursuant to this Order may expire, the term of such prescription, time or limitation period shall hereby be deemed to be extended for a period equal to the Stay Period.

NO EXERCISE OF RIGHTS OR REMEDIES

15. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that during the Stay Period, all rights and remedies of any individual, firm, corporation, governmental body or agency, or any other entities (all of the foregoing, collectively being “**Persons**” and each being a “**Person**”) against or in respect of the Applicants or the Monitor, or their respective employees, advisors or representatives acting in such capacities, or affecting the Business or the Property, are hereby stayed and suspended except with the written consent of the Applicants and the Monitor, or leave of this Court, provided that nothing in this Order shall (i) empower the Applicants to carry on any business which the Applicants are not lawfully entitled to carry on, (ii) affect such investigations, actions, suits or proceedings by a regulatory body as are permitted by Section 11.1 of the CCAA, (iii) prevent the filing of any registration to preserve or perfect a security interest, or (iv) prevent the registration of a claim for lien.

NO INTERFERENCE WITH RIGHTS

16. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that during the Stay Period, no Person shall accelerate, suspend, discontinue, fail to honour, alter, interfere with, repudiate, rescind, terminate or cease to perform any right, renewal right, contract, agreement, lease, sublease, licence authorization or permit in favour of or held by the Applicants, except with the written consent of the Applicants and the Monitor, or leave of this Court.

CONTINUATION OF SERVICES

17. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that during the Stay Period, all Persons having oral or written agreements with the Applicants or statutory or regulatory mandates for the supply of goods and/or services, including without limitation all computer software, communication and other data services, centralized banking services, payroll services, insurance, transportation services, utility or other services to the Business or the Applicants, are hereby restrained until further Order of this Court from discontinuing, altering, interfering with or terminating the supply of such goods or services as may be required by the Applicants, and that the Applicants shall be entitled to the continued use of their current premises, telephone numbers, facsimile numbers, internet addresses and domain names, provided in each case that the normal prices or charges for all such goods or services received after the date of this Order are paid by the Applicants in

accordance with normal payment practices of the Applicants or such other practices as may be agreed upon by the supplier or service provider and each of the Applicants and the Monitor, or as may be ordered by this Court.

NO PRE-FILING VS POST-FILING SET OFF

18. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that no Person shall be entitled to set off any amounts that: (a) are or may become due to the Applicants in respect of obligations arising prior to the date of the Initial Order with any amounts that are or may become due from the Applicants in respect of obligations arising on or after the date of the Initial Order; or (b) are or may become due from the Applicants in respect of obligations arising prior to the date of the Initial Order with any amounts that are or may become due to the Applicants in respect of obligations arising on or after the date of the Initial Order, in each case without the consent of the Applicants and the Monitor, or with leave of this Court.

NON-DEROGATION OF RIGHTS

19. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, notwithstanding anything else in this Order, no Person shall be prohibited from requiring immediate payment for goods, services, use of leased or licensed property or other valuable consideration provided on or after the date of this Order, nor shall any Person be under any obligation on or after the date of this Order to advance or re-advance any monies or otherwise extend any credit to the Applicants. Nothing in this Order shall derogate from the rights conferred and obligations imposed by the CCAA.

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

20. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that during the Stay Period, and except as permitted by subsection 11.03(2) of the CCAA, no Proceeding may be commenced or continued against any of the former, current or future directors or officers of the Applicants with respect to any claim against the directors or officers that arose before the date hereof and that relates to any obligations of the Applicants whereby the directors or officers are alleged under any law to be liable in their capacity as directors or officers for the payment or performance of such obligations, until a Plan in respect of the Applicants, if one is filed, is sanctioned by this Court or is refused by the creditors of the Applicants or this Court.

DIRECTORS' AND OFFICERS' INDEMNIFICATION AND CHARGE

21. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall indemnify their current and future directors and officers, the CRO (as defined below) and the CFO (as defined below) against obligations and liabilities that they may incur as directors or officers of the Applicants after the commencement of the within proceedings, except to the extent that, with respect to any officer or director, the obligation or liability was incurred as a result of the director's or officer's gross negligence or wilful misconduct.

22. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the current and future directors and officers of the Applicants, the CRO and the CFO shall be entitled to the benefit of and are hereby granted a charge (the “**Directors’ Charge**”) on the Property, which charge shall not exceed an aggregate amount of USD \$450,000, as security for the indemnity provided in paragraph 21 of this Order. The Directors’ Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 47 and 49 herein.

23. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, notwithstanding any language in any applicable insurance policy to the contrary, (a) no insurer shall be entitled to be subrogated to or claim the benefit of the Directors' Charge, and (b) the Applicants’ directors and officers shall only be entitled to the benefit of the Directors' Charge to the extent that they do not have coverage under any directors' and officers' insurance policy, or to the extent that such coverage is insufficient to pay amounts indemnified in accordance with paragraph 21 of this Order.

APPOINTMENT OF MONITOR

24. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that A&M is hereby appointed pursuant to the CCAA as the Monitor, an officer of this Court, to monitor the business and financial affairs of the Applicants with the powers and obligations set out in the CCAA or set forth herein and that the Applicants and their shareholders, officers, directors, and Assistants shall advise the Monitor of all material steps taken by the Applicants pursuant to this Order, and shall co-operate fully with the Monitor in the exercise of its powers and discharge of its obligations and provide the Monitor with the assistance that is necessary to enable the Monitor to adequately carry out the Monitor's functions.

25. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor, in addition to its prescribed rights and obligations under the CCAA, is hereby directed and empowered to:

- (a) monitor the Applicants' receipts and disbursements;
- (b) review and approve Intercompany Advances (as defined below);
- (c) report to this Court at such times and intervals as the Monitor may deem appropriate with respect to matters relating to the Property, the Business, and such other matters as may be relevant to the proceedings herein;
- (d) advise the Applicants in the preparation of the Applicants' cash flow statements, which information shall be reviewed with the Monitor;
- (e) have full and complete access to the Property, including the premises, books, records, data, including data in electronic form, and other financial documents of the Applicants, wherever located, to the extent that is necessary to adequately assess the Applicants' business and financial affairs or to perform its duties arising under this Order;
- (f) be at liberty to engage independent legal counsel or such other persons as the Monitor deems necessary or advisable respecting the exercise of its powers and performance of its obligations under this Order; and
- (g) perform such other duties as are required by this Order, such other orders of the Court, or as otherwise required by this Court from time to time.

26. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor shall not take possession of the Property and shall take no part whatsoever in the management or supervision of the management of the Business and shall not, by fulfilling its obligations hereunder, be deemed to have taken or maintained possession or control of the Business or Property, or any part thereof.

27. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that nothing herein contained shall require the Monitor to occupy or to take control, care, charge, possession or management (separately and/or collectively, "**Possession**") of any of the Property that might be environmentally contaminated, might be a pollutant or a contaminant, or might cause or contribute to a spill, discharge, release or deposit of a substance contrary to any federal, provincial or other law respecting the protection, conservation, enhancement, remediation or rehabilitation of the environment or

relating to the disposal of waste or other contamination including, without limitation, the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act*, the *Ontario Environmental Protection Act*, the *Ontario Water Resources Act*, or the *Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act* and regulations thereunder (the “**Environmental Legislation**”), provided however that nothing herein shall exempt the Monitor from any duty to report or make disclosure imposed by applicable Environmental Legislation. The Monitor shall not, as a result of this Order or anything done in pursuance of the Monitor's duties and powers under this Order, be deemed to be in Possession of any of the Property within the meaning of any Environmental Legislation, unless it is actually in possession.

28. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor shall provide any creditor of the Applicants with information provided by the Applicants in response to reasonable requests for information made in writing by such creditor addressed to the Monitor. The Monitor shall not have any responsibility or liability with respect to the information disseminated by it pursuant to this paragraph. In the case of information that the Monitor has been advised by the Applicants is confidential, the Monitor shall not provide such information to creditors unless otherwise directed by this Court or on such terms as the Monitor and the Applicants may agree.

29. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, in addition to the rights and protections afforded the Monitor under the CCAA or as an officer of this Court, the Monitor shall incur no liability or obligation as a result of its appointment or the carrying out of the provisions of this Order, save and except for any gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part. Nothing in this Order shall derogate from the protections afforded the Monitor by the CCAA or any applicable legislation.

APPROVAL OF CRO AND CFO ENGAGEMENTS

30. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the agreement dated as of April 28, 2025 pursuant to which the Applicants have engaged BlueTree Advisors Inc. (“**BlueTree**”) to provide the services of William E. Aziz to act as Chief Restructuring Officer of the Applicants (“**CRO**”) and provide certain financial advisory and consulting services to the Applicants, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit “N” to the Kochhar Affidavit (the “**CRO Engagement Letter**”), the agreement dated as of April 28, 2025 pursuant to which the Applicants have engaged Michelle T. Faysal as interim Chief Financial Officer of the Applicants (“**CFO**”), a copy of which is attached as Exhibit “O” to the Kochhar Affidavit (the “**CFO Engagement Letter**”), the execution of the CRO Engagement Letter and the CFO Engagement Letter by the Applicants, *nunc pro tunc*, and the appointment of the CRO and the CFO pursuant to the terms thereof is hereby approved, including, without limitation, the payment of the fees and expenses contemplated thereby including, for the avoidance of doubt, the “Restructuring Fee” (as defined in the CRO Engagement Letter).

31. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the CRO and the CFO shall not be or be deemed to be a director, *de facto* director or employee of the Applicants or any of their respective subsidiaries or affiliates.

32. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that neither BlueTree, the CRO nor the CFO shall, as a result of the performance of their respective obligations and duties in accordance with the terms of the CRO Engagement Letter or CFO Engagement Letter, as applicable, be deemed to be in Possession of any of the Property that might be environmentally contaminated, might be a pollutant or a contaminant, or might cause or contribute to a spill, discharge, release or deposit of a substance contrary to the Environmental Legislation, however, if BlueTree, the CRO or the CFO are nevertheless later found to be in Possession of any Property, then BlueTree, the CRO or the CFO, as applicable, shall be entitled to the benefits and protections in relation to the Applicants and such Property as are provided to a monitor under Section 11.8(3) of the CCAA, provided however that nothing herein shall exempt the BlueTree, the CRO or the CFO from any duty to report or make disclosure imposed by applicable Environmental Legislation.

33. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that BlueTree, the CRO and the CFO shall not have any liability with respect to any losses, claims, damages or liabilities, of any nature or kind, to any

Person from and after the dated of this Order except to the extent such losses, claims, damages or liabilities result from the gross negligence or wilful misconduct on the part of the CRO or CFO.

34. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that no Proceeding shall be commenced directly, or by way of counterclaim, third party claim or otherwise, against or in respect of BlueTree, the CRO or the CFO, and all rights and remedies of any Person against or in respect of them are hereby stayed and suspended, except with the written consent of the CRO or the CFO, as applicable, or with leave of this Court on notice to the Applicant, the Monitor, the CRO and the CFO, as applicable. Notice of any such motion seeking leave of this Court shall be served upon the Applicants, the Monitor, the CRO and the CFO, as applicable, at least seven (7) days prior to the return date of any such motion for leave.

35. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the obligations of the Applicants to BlueTree and the CRO and the CFO pursuant to the CRO Engagement Letter and the CFO Engagement Letter, as applicable, shall be treated as unaffected and may not be compromised in any Plan or in any other proceeding commenced under the CCAA, the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*, RSC 1985, c. B-3, as amended (the “**BIA**”) or the *United States Bankruptcy Code*, 11 U.S.C. §§101-1330, as amended (the “**US Bankruptcy Code**”) in respect of the Applicants.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL ADVISOR AND MAPLEBRIAR ENGAGEMENTS

36. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the agreement dated as of May 8, 2025 pursuant to which the Applicants have engaged Alvarez & Marsal Canada Securities ULC (the “**Financial Advisor**”) to assist the Applicants in evaluating and pursuing one or more potential sale transactions, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit “Q” to the Kochhar Affidavit (the “**Financial Advisor Engagement Letter**”), the agreement dated as of May 1, 2025 pursuant to which the Applicants have engaged Maplebriar Holdings Inc. (“**Maplebriar**”) to provide the services of Ajay Kochhar to assist the Applicants in pursuing one or more potential sale transactions, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit “P” to the Kochhar Affidavit (the “**Maplebriar Engagement Letter**”), and the execution of the Financial Advisor Engagement Letter and the Maplebriar Engagement Letter by the Applicants, *nunc pro tunc*, is hereby approved, including, without limitation, the payment of the fees and expenses contemplated thereby including, for the avoidance of doubt, the “Restructuring Fees” (as defined in the Maplebriar Engagement Letter).

37. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Financial Advisor and Maplebriar shall not be or be deemed to be a director, *de facto* director or employee of the Applicants or any of their respective subsidiaries or affiliates.

38. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Financial Advisor and Maplebriar shall not have any liability with respect to any losses, claims, damages or liabilities, of any nature or kind, to any Person from and after the date of this Order except to the extent such losses, claims, damages or liabilities result from the gross negligence or wilful misconduct on the part of the Financial Advisor or Maplebriar, as applicable.

39. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that no Proceeding shall be commenced directly, or by way of counterclaim, third party claim or otherwise, against or in respect of the Financial Advisor or Maplebriar, and all rights and remedies of any Person against or in respect of them are hereby stayed and suspended, except with the written consent of the Financial Advisor or Maplebriar, as applicable, or with leave of this Court on notice to the Applicants, the Monitor, the Financial Advisor and Maplebriar, as applicable. Notice of any such motion seeking leave of this Court shall be served upon the Applicants, the Monitor, the Financial Advisor and Maplebriar, as applicable, at least seven (7) days prior to the return date of any such motion for leave.

40. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the obligations of the Applicants to the Financial Advisor and Maplebriar pursuant to the Financial Advisor Engagement Letter and Maplebriar Engagement Letter, as applicable, shall be treated as unaffected and may not be compromised in any Plan or in any other proceeding commenced under the CCAA, the BIA or the US Bankruptcy Code in respect of the Applicants.

ADMINISTRATION CHARGE

41. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor, counsel to the Monitor in Canada and the United States (collectively, the “**Monitor Counsel**”), the CRO, the CFO, the Financial Advisor, Maplebriar, and counsel to the Applicants in Canada and the United States (collectively, the “**Applicants Counsel**”) shall be paid their reasonable fees and disbursements, in each case at their standard rates and charges, and in the case of the CRO in accordance with the CRO Engagement Letter, and in the case of the CFO in accordance with the CFO Engagement Letter, and in the case of the Financial Advisor in accordance with the Financial Advisor Engagement

Letter, and in the case of Maplebriar in accordance with the Maplebriar Engagement Letter, whether incurred prior to, on, or after the date of this Order, by the Applicants as part of the costs of these proceedings. The Applicants are hereby authorized and directed to pay the accounts of the Monitor, the Monitor Counsel, the Financial Advisor and the Applicants Counsel on a weekly basis or pursuant to such other arrangements agreed to between the Applicants and such parties and, in addition, the Applicants are hereby authorized to pay to the Monitor, the Monitor Counsel, and the Applicants Counsel, retainers, *nunc pro tunc*, to be held by them as security for payment of their respective fees and disbursements outstanding from time to time.

42. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor and its Canadian legal counsel shall pass their accounts from time to time, and for this purpose the accounts of the Monitor and its Canadian legal counsel are hereby referred to a judge of the Commercial List of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice.

43. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor, the Monitor Counsel, the CRO (solely for the “Work Fee” as defined and set out in the CRO Engagement Letter), the Financial Advisor, the CFO and the Applicants Counsel shall be entitled to the benefit of and are hereby granted a charge (the “**Administration Charge**”) on the Property, which charge shall not exceed an aggregate amount of USD \$2 million, as security for their professional fees and disbursements incurred at their standard rates and charges, and in the case of the CRO in accordance with the CRO Engagement Letter, and in the case of the Financial Advisor in accordance with the Financial Advisor Engagement Letter, and in the case of the CFO in accordance with the CFO Engagement Letter, both before and after the making of this Order in respect of these proceedings. The Administration Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 47 and 49 hereof.

INTERCOMPANY FINANCING

44. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that each of the Applicants (each, an “**Intercompany Lender**”) is authorized to loan to each of the other Applicants (each, an “**Intercompany Borrower**”), and each Intercompany Borrower is authorized to borrow, repay and re-borrow, such amounts from time to time as the Intercompany Borrower, with the approval of the Monitor, considers necessary or desirable on a revolving basis to fund its ongoing expenditures and to pay such other amounts as are permitted by the terms of this Order (the “**Intercompany Advances**”) up to an aggregate of USD \$1 million (subject to increase in accordance with further Order of this Court), on terms consistent with existing arrangements or past practice or otherwise approved by the Monitor.

45. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that each Intercompany Lender shall be entitled to the benefit of and is hereby granted a charge (the “**Intercompany Charge**”) on all of the Property of each Intercompany Borrower, as security for the Intercompany Advances made to such Intercompany Borrower, which Intercompany Charge shall not secure an obligation that exists before the date of this Order. The Intercompany Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 47 and 49 hereof.

46. **THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES** that each Intercompany Lender shall be treated as unaffected and may not be compromised in any Plan or in any other proceeding commenced under the CCAA, the BIA or the US Bankruptcy Code in respect of the Applicants, with respect to any Intercompany Advances made on or after the date of this Order.

VALIDITY AND PRIORITY OF CHARGES CREATED BY THIS ORDER

47. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the priorities of the Administration Charge, the Directors’ Charge, and the Intercompany Charge (collectively, the “**Charges**”), as among them with respect to any Property to which they apply, shall be as follows:

First – Administration Charge (to the maximum amount of USD \$2 million);

Second – Directors’ Charge (to the maximum amount of USD \$450,000); and

Third – Intercompany Charge (to the maximum amount of USD \$1 million).

48. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the filing, registration or perfection of the Charges shall not be required, and that the Charges shall be valid and enforceable for all purposes, including as against any right, title or interest filed, registered, recorded or perfected subsequent to the Charges coming into existence, notwithstanding any such failure to file, register, record or perfect.

49. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that each of the Charges (all as constituted and defined herein) shall constitute a charge on the Property and such Charges shall rank in priority to all other security interests, trusts, liens, charges, encumbrances and claims of secured creditors, statutory or otherwise (collectively, “**Encumbrances**”) in favour of any Person, provided that the Charges shall rank behind Encumbrances in favour of any Persons that have not been served with notice of this application.

50. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that except as otherwise expressly provided for herein, or as may be approved by this Court, the Applicants shall not grant any Encumbrances over any Property that rank in priority to, or *pari passu* with, any of the Charges, unless the Applicants also obtain the prior written consent of the Monitor and the beneficiaries of the Charges, or further Order of this Court.

51. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Charges shall not be rendered invalid or unenforceable and the rights and remedies of the chargees entitled to the benefit of the Charges (collectively, the “**Chargees**”) thereunder shall not otherwise be limited or impaired in any way by (a) the pendency of these proceedings and the declarations of insolvency made herein; (b) any application(s) for bankruptcy order(s) issued pursuant to the BIA, or any bankruptcy order made pursuant to such applications; (c) the filing of any assignments for the general benefit of creditors made pursuant to the BIA; (d) the provisions of any federal or provincial statutes; or (e) any negative covenants, prohibitions or other similar provisions with respect to borrowings, incurring debt or the creation of Encumbrances, contained in any existing loan documents, lease, sublease, offer to lease or other agreement (collectively, an “**Agreement**”) which binds the Applicants, and notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in any Agreement:

- (a) the creation of the Charges shall not create or be deemed to constitute a breach by the Applicants of any Agreement to which it is a party;

- (b) none of the Chargees shall have any liability to any Person whatsoever as a result of any breach of any Agreement caused by or resulting from the creation of the Charges; and
- (c) the payments made by the Applicants pursuant to this Order and the granting of the Charges do not and will not constitute preferences, fraudulent conveyances, transfers at undervalue, oppressive conduct, or other challengeable or voidable transactions under any applicable law.

52. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that any Charge created by this Order over leases of real property in Canada shall only be a Charge in the Applicants' interest in such real property leases.

RELIEF FROM REPORTING OBLIGATIONS

53. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the decision by the Applicants to incur no further expenses for the duration of the Stay Period in relation to any filings (including financial statements), disclosures, core or non-core documents and press releases (collectively, the "**Securities Filings**") that may be required by any federal, state, provincial or other law respecting securities or capital markets in Canada or the United States, or by the rules and regulations of an over the counter market, including, without limitation, the *Securities Act* (Ontario) and comparable statutes enacted by other provinces of Canada, the *Securities Act of 1933* (United States) and the *Securities Exchange Act of 1934* (United States) and comparable statutes enacted by individual states of the United States, and the rules of OTCQX and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority and other rules, regulations and policies of OTCQX (collectively, the "**Securities Provisions**"), is hereby authorized, provided that nothing in this paragraph shall prohibit any securities regulator or over the counter market from taking any action or exercising any discretion that it may have of a nature described in section 11.1(2) of the CCAA as a consequence of the Applicants failing to make any Securities Filings required by the Securities Provisions.

54. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that none of the directors, officers, employees, and other representatives of the Applicants, nor the CRO (and its directors, officers, employees and representatives), the CFO or the Monitor (and its directors, officers, employees and representatives), shall have any personal liability for any failure by the Applicants to make any

Securities Filings required by the Securities Provisions during the Stay Period, provided that nothing in this paragraph shall prohibit any securities regulator, stock exchange or over the counter market from taking any action or exercising any discretion that it may have against the directors, officers, employees and other representatives of the Applicants of a nature described in section 11.1(2) of the CCAA as a consequence of such failure by the Applicants. For greater certainty, nothing in this order is intended to or shall encroach on the jurisdiction of any securities regulatory authorities (the “**Regulators**”) in the matter of regulating the conduct of market participants and to issue cease trade orders if and when required pursuant to applicable securities law. Further, nothing in this Order shall constitute or be construed as an admission by the Regulators that the court has jurisdiction over matters that are within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Regulators under the Securities Provisions.

SERVICE AND NOTICE

55. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor shall (i) without delay, publish in the Globe and Mail (National Edition) a notice containing the information prescribed under the CCAA, (ii) within five days after the date of this Order, (A) make this Order publicly available in the manner prescribed under the CCAA, (B) send, or cause to be sent, in the prescribed manner or by electronic message to the e-mail address as last shown on the records of the Applicants, a notice to every known creditor who has a claim against the Applicants of more than \$1,000, and (C) prepare a list showing the names and addresses of those creditors and the estimated amounts of those claims, and make it publicly available in the prescribed manner, all in accordance with Section 23(1)(a) of the CCAA and the regulations made thereunder, provided that the Monitor shall not make the claim amounts, names and addresses of any individuals who are creditors publicly available.

56. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor shall create, maintain and update as necessary a list of all Persons appearing in person or by counsel in this proceeding (the “**Service List**”). The Monitor shall post the Service List, as may be updated from time to time, on the Monitor’s website as part of the public materials to be recorded thereon in relation to this proceeding. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Monitor shall have no liability in respect of the accuracy of or the timeliness of making any changes to the Service List.

57. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the E-Service Protocol of the Commercial List (the “**Protocol**”) is approved and adopted by reference herein and, in this proceeding, the service of documents made in accordance with the Protocol (which can be found on the Commercial List website at <https://www.ontariocourts.ca/scj/practice/regional-practice-directions/eservice-commercial/>) shall be valid and effective service. Subject to Rule 17.05 this Order shall constitute an order for substituted service pursuant to Rule 16.04 of the Rules of Civil Procedure. Subject to Rule 3.01(d) of the Rules of Civil Procedure and paragraph 21 of the Protocol, service of documents in accordance with the Protocol will be effective on transmission. This Court further orders that a Case Website shall be established in accordance with the Protocol with the following URL: www.alvarezandmarsal.com/LiCycle.

58. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that if the service or distribution of documents in accordance with the Protocol is not practicable, the Applicants and the Monitor are at liberty to serve or distribute this Order, any other materials and orders in these proceedings, any notices or other correspondence, by forwarding true copies thereof by prepaid ordinary mail, courier, personal delivery or facsimile transmission to the Applicants’ creditors or other interested parties at their respective addresses as last shown on the records of the Applicants and that any such service or distribution by courier, personal delivery or facsimile transmission shall be deemed to be received on the next business day following the date of forwarding thereof, or if sent by ordinary mail, on the third business day after mailing.

CHAPTER 15 PROCEEDINGS

59. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the CRO is hereby authorized and empowered, but not required, to act as the foreign representative (in such capacity, the “**Foreign Representative**”) in respect of the within proceedings for the purpose of having these proceedings recognized and approved in any jurisdiction outside of Canada.

60. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Foreign Representative is hereby authorized to apply for recognition and approval of these proceedings, as necessary, in any jurisdiction outside of Canada including, without limitation, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the “**Foreign Bankruptcy Court**”) pursuant to Chapter 15 of the US Bankruptcy Code. The Foreign Representative is authorized to apply for recognition and enforcement of this Order and any subsequent Orders of this Court in the United States

including, without limitation, paragraphs 13, 15, 16, 17 and 20 with respect to any Proceeding taking place in the United States, any Business or Property of the Applicants located or being conducted within the United States, and any Person located or acting within the United States, as applicable. All courts and administrative bodies of all such jurisdictions are hereby respectively requested to make such orders and provide such assistance to the Foreign Representative, the Applicants and the Monitor as may be deemed necessary or appropriate for that purpose.

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61. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the comeback motion shall be heard on May 22, 2025.

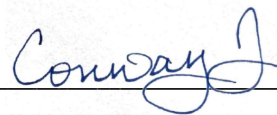
62. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants or the Monitor may from time to time apply to this Court to amend, vary or supplement this Order or for advice and directions in the discharge of their powers and duties hereunder or in the interpretation or application of this Order.

63. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that nothing in this Order shall prevent the Monitor from acting as an interim receiver, a receiver, a receiver and manager, or a trustee in bankruptcy of the Applicants, the Business or the Property.

64. **THIS COURT HEREBY REQUESTS** the aid and recognition of any court, tribunal, regulatory body or administrative body having jurisdiction in Canada or in the United States, including the Foreign Bankruptcy Court, to give effect to this Order and to assist the Applicants, the Foreign Representative, the Monitor and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order. All courts, tribunals, regulatory and administrative bodies are hereby respectfully requested to make such orders and to provide such assistance to the Foreign Representative, the Applicants and to the Monitor, as an officer of this Court, as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order, to grant representative status to the CRO in any foreign proceeding, or to assist the Foreign Representative, the Applicants and the Monitor and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order.

65. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that each of the Foreign Representative, the Applicants and the Monitor be at liberty and is hereby authorized and empowered to apply to any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body, wherever located, for the recognition of this Order and for assistance in carrying out the terms of this Order.

66. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that this Order and all of its provisions are effective as of 12:01 a.m. Eastern Standard/Daylight Time on the date of this Order, and is enforceable without any need for entry and filing.



IN THE MATTER OF THE *COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED PLAN OF COMPROMISE OR ARRANGEMENT WITH RESPECT TO LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP. ET AL.

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Li-Cycle Obtains Creditor Protection Under CCAA and Chapter 15

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Company enters into \$10.5 million debtor-in-possession financing facility ("DIP Facility") term sheet with Glencore

Li-Cycle and Glencore agree to "stalking horse" credit bid of at least \$40 million for certain of the Company's subsidiaries and assets, and assumption of certain liabilities

Li-Cycle expects to commence a formal sale and investment solicitation process ("SISP"), which is a continuation of its efforts to seek buyers for its business or assets

TORONTO--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Li-Cycle Holdings Corp. (OTCQX: LICYF) ("Li-Cycle" or the "Company"), a leading global lithium-ion battery resource recovery company, today announced that the Company and its subsidiaries in North America (collectively, the "Li-Cycle Group") have sought and obtained from the Ontario Superior Court of Justice (the "Court") an order (the "Initial Order") providing them with creditor protection pursuant to Canada's *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* (the "CCAA"). As part of the Initial Order, the Court ordered, among other things, a stay of proceedings in favor of the Li-Cycle Group for an initial period to and including May 22, 2025 (the "Stay Period") and the appointment of Alvarez & Marsal Canada Inc. as monitor of the Li-Cycle Group during the CCAA proceedings (in such capacity, the "Monitor") to assist the Company with its restructuring efforts and to report to the Court.

The Company's U.S. subsidiaries (including Li-Cycle Inc., which owns the Company's Spokes in Arizona, Alabama and New York, and Li-Cycle North America Hub, Inc., which owns the Company's Rochester Hub project) have commenced proceedings before the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "U.S. Bankruptcy Court") under Chapter 15 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code ("Chapter 15 Proceedings") for recognition of the CCAA proceedings as a "foreign main proceeding." The U.S. Bankruptcy Court has imposed a broad stay, for the benefit of the Company's U.S. subsidiaries, barring the commencement of legal action, the enforcement of remedies, any act to obtain possession of their property in the United States or to exercise control over such property, and other similar conduct.

As part of the CCAA proceedings, the Li-Cycle Group expects to conduct a court-supervised sale and investment solicitation process (the "SISP"), which will be a continuation of its previously disclosed efforts to seek buyers for its business or its assets.

The Li-Cycle Group has entered into a term sheet with an affiliate of Glencore Canada Corporation ("Glencore"), the Company's largest secured creditor, for a DIP Facility. The DIP Facility consists of a credit facility of up to a maximum principal amount of \$10.5 million which is expected to be used to finance Li-Cycle's working capital requirements, including for the continued operation of its Germany Spoke, and to implement the restructuring contemplated in the CCAA proceedings, such as the pursuit of the SISP. The DIP Facility remains subject to approval by the CCAA Court.

Additionally, the Li-Cycle Group has entered into an equity and asset "stalking horse" purchase agreement (the "Stalking Horse Agreement") with Glencore. Glencore has agreed to a "stalking horse" credit bid for at least \$40 million for certain of Li-Cycle's subsidiaries and assets, including its Arizona Spoke, Alabama Spoke, New York Spoke, Germany Spoke, Rochester Hub project, and its intellectual property, as well as assumption of certain of its liabilities. The Stalking Horse Agreement remains subject to approval by the CCAA Court.

The Company's Germany Spoke is expected to have sufficient working capital (including through the DIP Facility) to continue operating during the CCAA proceedings. Li-Cycle is undertaking efforts to wind down certain of its European subsidiaries, with the exception of its operating businesses in Switzerland and Germany. The Company will also be winding down its subsidiaries in Asia.

As a result of the CCAA Proceedings, an event of default has occurred under Li-Cycle's loan agreement with the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE"). Li-Cycle has not drawn down any funds under the DOE loan facility, as the Company has not satisfied the conditions precedent for the first advance.

The CCAA Proceedings have also caused an event of default under the Company's convertible notes, which are held by Glencore and Wood River Capital, LLC ("Wood River Capital"). Wood River Capital now would have, in the absence of the stay of proceedings, the right to require the redemption of its convertible notes. The event of default under the Company's convertible notes held by Glencore has resulted in an automatic acceleration such that the principal, interest and any make-whole premium due thereunder have become immediately due and payable.

As previously disclosed, the Company has been actively reducing its cost structure and seeking financing and strategic alternatives to fund its business. However, following a thorough review and after careful consideration of all available alternatives and in consultation with legal and financial advisors, the Company's Board of Directors, following receipt of the recommendation of the Company's Special Committee of independent directors, determined that it was in the best interests of the Company to commence the CCAA proceedings, with a view to pursuing the SISP and implementing one or more transactions with respect to its business and assets.

The Company's Board of Directors and management will remain responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Company under the general oversight of the Monitor during the CCAA proceedings.

The Initial Order provides the Company with, among other things, relief from certain reporting obligations under securities legislation. As a result of the commencement of Chapter 15 Proceedings, the Company will no longer qualify to trade on the OTCQX® Best Market and will be moved to the OTC Pink Markets effective May 15, 2025.

At the "comeback" hearing before the CCAA Court on May 22, 2025, the Li-Cycle Group intends to seek, among other things, approval of the DIP Facility, the SISP and the Stalking Horse Agreement as a "stalking horse" credit bid in the SISP and an extension of the Stay Period until a subsequent date to be determined.

Additional information regarding the CCAA proceedings is available on the Monitor's website at <https://www.alvarezandmarsal.com/LiCycle>, or by calling Alvarez & Marsal at 1-844-864-9548, or by emailing at LiCycle@alvarezandmarsal.com. Documents relating to the restructuring process such as the Initial Order, the Monitor's reports to the Court, as well as other Court orders and documents shall also be published and made available on the Monitor's website.

About Li-Cycle Holdings Corp.

Li-Cycle (OTCQX: LICYF) is a leading global lithium-ion battery resource recovery company. Established in 2016, and with major customers and partners around the world, Li-Cycle's mission is to recover critical battery-grade materials to create a domestic closed-loop battery supply chain for a clean energy future.

Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements contained in this press release may be considered "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, Section 27A of the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Section 21 of the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and applicable Canadian securities laws. Forward-looking statements may generally be identified by the use of words such as "believe", "may", "will", "continue", "anticipate", "intend", "expect", "should", "would", "could", "plan", "potential", "future", "target" or other similar expressions that predict or indicate future events or trends or that are not statements of historical matters, although not all forward-looking statements contain such identifying words. Forward-looking statements in this press release include but are not limited to statements about: the expected court-supervised sale and investment solicitation process; the expected use of the DIP Facility; the expectation that the Company's Germany Spoke will have sufficient working capital (including through the DIP Facility) to continue operating during the CCAA proceedings; Li-Cycle undertaking efforts to wind down certain of its European subsidiaries, with the exception of its operating businesses in Switzerland and Germany; the Company winding down its subsidiaries in Asia; the transfer of the quotation of the Company's common shares to the OTC Pink Markets effective May 15, 2025; the terms of any resulting transactions with any such buyers of Li-Cycle's business or its assets, including the Stalking Horse Agreement with

Glencore; and what the Company intends to seek at the “comeback” hearing before the CCAA Court on May 22, 2025, including an extension of the Stay Period until a subsequent date to be determined. These statements are based on various assumptions, whether or not identified in this communication, including but not limited to assumptions regarding the working capital of the Company’s operating businesses in Switzerland and Germany. There can be no assurance that such estimates or assumptions will prove to be correct and, as a result, actual results or events may differ materially from expectations expressed in or implied by the forward-looking statements.

These forward-looking statements are provided for the purpose of assisting readers in understanding certain key elements of Li-Cycle’s current objectives, goals, targets, strategic priorities, expectations and plans, and in obtaining a better understanding of Li-Cycle’s business and anticipated operating environment. Readers are cautioned that such information may not be appropriate for other purposes and is not intended to serve as, and must not be relied on, by any investor as a guarantee, an assurance, a prediction or a definitive statement of fact or probability.

Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties, most of which are difficult to predict and many of which are beyond the control of Li-Cycle, and are not guarantees of future performance. Li-Cycle believes that these risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the risks and uncertainties related to Li-Cycle’s business are described in greater detail in the section titled “Part I - Item 1A. Risk Factors” and “Part II - Item 7. Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation” in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024, filed with the SEC and the Ontario Securities Commission in Canada. Because of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, readers should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. Actual results could differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement.

Li-Cycle assumes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, except as required by applicable laws. These forward-looking statements should not be relied upon as representing Li-Cycle’s assessments as of any date subsequent to the date of this press release.

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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

In re:

LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP., *et al.*,

Debtors in a Foreign Proceeding.

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**ORDER GRANTING PROVISIONAL RELIEF AND SHORTENING
NOTICE PERIOD PURSUANT TO SECTION 1519 OF THE BANKRUPTCY
CODE AND FEDERAL RULE OF BANKRUPTCY PROCEDURE 9006(c)(1)**

William E. Aziz, in his capacity as the duly authorized foreign representative (the “Foreign Representative”), is the court-appointed foreign representative for Li-Cycle Holdings Corp., an Ontario corporation (“Holdings”), Li-Cycle U.S. Inc., a Delaware corporation (“North America Opco”), Li-Cycle Inc., a Delaware corporation (“U.S. SpokeCo”), and Li-Cycle North America Hub, Inc., a Delaware corporation (“U.S. HubCo” and, together with North America Opco, U.S. SpokeCo and Holdings, the “Chapter 15 Debtors”) in a proceeding under Canada’s *Companies’ Creditors Arrangement Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the “CCAA”), pending before the Commercial List of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice (the “Canadian Proceedings”).

On May 14, 2025, the Foreign Representative commenced these Chapter 15 cases (the “Chapter 15 Cases”) by filing, on behalf of the Chapter 15 Debtors and pursuant to sections 1504 and 1515 of title 11 of the United States Code (the “Bankruptcy Code”), the Verified Chapter 15 Petition for Recognition of Foreign Main Proceeding and Related Relief (the “Verified Petition”), along with the Official Form 401 (Chapter 15 Petition for Recognition of a Foreign Proceeding) and an Ex Parte Application for an Order (A) Granting Provisional Relief and (B) Scheduling

Hearing on Shortened Notice Pursuant to Sections 105(a), 1519 and 1521(a)(7) of the Bankruptcy Code (the “Application for Provisional Relief” and, collectively with the Verified Petition and Notice Application, the “First Day Motions”).

The Foreign Representative has also filed a Declaration of the Foreign Representative (the “Aziz 1519 Declaration”) in support of the Application for Provisional Relief.

By its Application for Provisional Relief, the Foreign Representative requested entry, on an *ex parte* basis, of a provisional order staying execution against the US assets and business operations of the Chapter 15 Debtors, staying legal proceedings against the Chapter 15 Debtors and certain of their current and former directors and officers, and applying section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code in the Chapter 15 Cases on a provisional basis pending the adjudication of the Verified Petition. In its Application for Provisional Relief, the Foreign Representative also sought to shorten the notice period applicable to the Verified Petition, and to hold a hearing with respect to the Verified Petition no later than seven days from the granting of the Application for Provisional Relief. The Court has considered and reviewed the Application for Provisional Relief, the Verified Petition, and the Aziz Declaration and all related documents filed therewith. Based on the foregoing, as well as on all hearings and proceedings held in connection with the same:

THE COURT FINDS AND CONCLUDES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The findings and conclusions set forth herein constitute this Court’s findings of fact and conclusions of law pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 7052 and made applicable to this proceeding pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9014. To the extent any of the following findings of fact constitute conclusions of law, they are adopted as such.
2. The statutory bases for the relief set forth herein are sections 1519, 1520, 1521(a)(7), 105, and 362 of the Bankruptcy Code.
3. The Foreign Representative has demonstrated a substantial likelihood of success on

the merits that (a) the Canadian Proceedings are “foreign main proceedings” as that term is defined in section 1502(4) of the Bankruptcy Code or, alternatively, with respect to certain Chapter 15 Debtors, the Canadian Proceedings are “foreign nonmain proceedings” as defined in section 1502(5) of the Bankruptcy Code, (b) the Foreign Representative is a “foreign representative” as that term is defined in section 101(24) of the Bankruptcy Code, and (c) all statutory elements for recognition of the Canadian Proceedings will be satisfied in accordance with section 1517 of the Bankruptcy Code.

4. The provisional relief set forth herein is appropriate to protect the assets of the Chapter 15 Debtors and the interests of their creditors pending the Court’s consideration of the Verified Petition.

5. Irreparable harm could and likely would result in the absence of the application of the automatic stay. In the absence of such relief, creditors could take action in the United States that would interfere with the conduct of the Canadian Proceedings to the detriment of the Chapter 15 Debtors and of the creditor body as a whole.

6. Application of the automatic stay on an interim and provisional basis will preserve the status quo and will not result in any substantial harm or prejudice to other parties. Any harm that conceivably could result to other parties as a result of such relief is less than the irreparable harm to the Chapter 15 Debtors that would likely result if such relief were not granted.

7. Application of the automatic stay will serve the public interest in that, among other things, such relief is necessary to realize the intent and objectives of Chapter 15 in this case

8. The Foreign Representative has demonstrated good cause to shorten the notice period applicable to the Verified Petition, in that a notice period longer than provided by this Order risks substantial harm to the Chapter 15 Debtors’ ability to efficiently and successfully conduct

the Canadian Proceedings.

9. Due to the nature of the relief requested, the Court finds that no security is required under Rule 65(c) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to the extent applicable in these cases by Rule 7065 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure.

10. It would not be feasible, prior to entry of this Order, for the Foreign Representative to serve prior notice of the Application for Provisional Relief on all parties in interest, and giving such prior notice would create the risk that creditors and contract counterparties would rush to take actions that would undermine or defeat the purposes of the relief that the Foreign Representative seeks.

11. This Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C §§ 157 and 1334 and Section 1501 of the Bankruptcy Code.

12. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2)(P).

13. Venue is proper in this District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1410.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Foreign Representative's Application for Provisional Relief is **GRANTED** as set forth herein.

2. Beginning immediately upon the entry of this Order, and continuing through a ruling by the Court on the Verified Petition, section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code shall apply to the Chapter 15 Debtors and their property, and their business operations within the territorial jurisdiction of the United States, subject to such exceptions to the automatic stay as are set forth in the Bankruptcy Code. For the avoidance of doubt, and in the absence of an Order of this Court granting relief from the stay, the application of the automatic stay, *inter alia* (i) prohibits the suspension, repudiation, rescission, termination, or alteration of contracts or leases to which the Chapter 15 Debtors are parties, or the enforcement of remedies under such contracts or leases, and

(ii) enjoins all persons and entities subject to this Court's jurisdiction from taking or continuing to take any act to seize, attach, possess, execute upon, exercise control over and/or enforce liens against any assets of the Chapter 15 Debtors located in the United States.

3. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisional stay of legal proceedings imposed by this Order includes, without limitation, the continuation of legal processes or proceedings against any Debtor in the following legal actions and in all proceedings related thereto or appeals therefrom: (i) *Hubiack v. Li-Cycle Holdings Corp., et al.*, No. 23-cv-09894 (S.D.N.Y.); (ii) *Mastec Industrial Corp., Inc. v. Li-Cycle North America, Hub, Inc.*, Index No. E2024006083 (Sup. Ct. Monroe Cty) and any related arbitration proceedings; (iii) *UDN Inc. v. Li-Cycle North America Hub, Inc.*, Index No. E2025004271 (Sup. Ct. Monroe Cty); (iv) *Virginia Transformer Corp.*, Case No. 2024-cv-06742 (W.D.N.Y) and any related arbitration or mediation proceedings. Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code shall also be extended provisionally to prevent the continuation of any legal proceedings against all non-debtor defendants in the action captioned *Hubiack v. Li-Cycle Holdings Corp., et al.*, No. 23-cv-09894 (S.D.N.Y.), including any appeals therefrom.

4. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, this Order shall not be construed as enjoining the police or regulatory act of a governmental unit, including a criminal action or proceeding, to the extent not stayed pursuant to section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code.

5. Beginning immediately upon the entry of this Order, and continuing through a ruling by the Court on the Verified Petition, section 365(e) of the Bankruptcy Code shall apply to all US contracts to which the Chapter 15 Debtors are parties.

6. Any party in interest may make a motion seeking relief from or modifying this Order by motion or application to this Court, which may be heard on shortened notice if the

circumstances so warrant.

7. In addition, the application of the automatic stay pursuant to this Order shall not bar or enjoin the performance of any act authorized or required by the Canadian Court in the Canadian Proceedings, or any act performed with the express written consent of the Chapter 15 Debtors, including without limitation the granting or perfecting of any liens or security interests in connection with any debtor-in-possession financing of the Chapter 15 Debtors authorized by the Canadian Court or this Court.

8. Notwithstanding any provision in the Bankruptcy Rules to the contrary, including, but not limited to, Bankruptcy Rules 7062 and 1018, (i) this Order shall be effective immediately and enforceable upon its entry; (ii) the Foreign Representative and the Chapter 15 Debtors are not subject to any stay in the implementation, enforcement or realization of the relief granted in this Order; and (iii) the Foreign Representative and the Chapter 15 Debtors are authorized and empowered, and may in their discretion and without further delay, take any action and perform any act necessary to implement and effectuate the terms of this Order.

9. Pursuant to Rule 7065 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, the security provisions of Rule 65(c) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure are waived.

10. Notice of entry of this Order and of the Hearing shall be served on all parties against whom relief is specifically sought in the Provisional Relief Application, or their counsel, if applicable, including such parties as set forth in the Service List Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1007(a)(4) filed concurrently herewith. Such persons shall include (a) all persons involved in US litigation proceedings against the Chapter 15 Debtors, (b) all landlords and lessors identified by name in the Application, (c) persons who have filed mechanics' liens with respect to the US property or assets of the Chapter 15 Debtors, (d) the office of the United States Trustee and (e) all

parties that have filed notices of appearance in this Chapter 15 case in accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 2002. Notice of the entry of this Order and the Hearing shall be served by e-mail where e-mail addresses are known and, where they are not, by overnight mail, by 12:00 PM on the next day after entry of this Order.

11. Service in accordance with this Order shall constitute adequate and sufficient service and notice.

12. The hearing to consider the relief requested in the Verified Petition shall be held on shortened notice. Any party in interest wishing to submit a response or objection to the relief requested in the Verified Petition must do so in writing and such response or objection shall conform to the Bankruptcy Rules and the Local Bankruptcy Rules for the Southern District of New York and shall be filed with the Bankruptcy Court electronically by registered users of the Bankruptcy Court's case filing system (the User's Manual for the Electronic Case Filing System can be found at www.nysb.uscourts.gov, the official website for the Bankruptcy Court) and shall be served so as to be actually received by no later than **May 21, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. (Eastern Time)** by the Court and the following parties: (a) counsel to the Foreign Representative, Freshfields US LLP, 3 World Trade Center, 175 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10007, Attn: Madlyn Gleich Primoff and Alexander Adams Rich; (b) the Office of the United States Trustee for the Southern District of New York, 201 Varick Street #1006, New York, New York 10014; and (c) all parties that file notices of appearance in the Chapter 15 Cases in accordance with Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2002. A hearing regarding the Verified Petition shall be held on **May 23, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. (Eastern Time)**, without prejudice to the right of any person to seek an adjournment of such hearing for good cause shown.

13. This Court shall retain jurisdiction with respect to all matters relating to the

interpretation or implementation of this Order.

Dated: New York, New York
May 14, 2025

/s/ Philip Bentley

Hon. Philip Bentley
United States Bankruptcy Judge

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**Summary of Terms and Conditions for
Debtor-In-Possession Financing
(the “DIP Term Sheet”)**

WHEREAS the Borrower (as defined below) has requested and the DIP Lender (as defined below) has agreed to provide funding in order to fund certain limited obligations of the Borrower in the context of its proceeding under the *Companies’ Creditors Arrangement Act* (Canada) (the “CCAA”, and such proceeding, the “CCAA Proceeding”) before the Ontario Superior Court of Justice (Commercial List) (the “Court”) in accordance with the terms set out herein;

NOW THEREFORE the parties, in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual agreements contained herein (the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged), agree as follows:

1. BORROWER:	Li-Cycle Holdings Corp., an Ontario corporation (the “ <u>Borrower</u> ”).
2. GUARANTORS:	Each subsidiary of the Borrower that is an Applicant in the CCAA Proceeding (such entities, the “ <u>DIP Guarantors</u> ” and together with the Borrower, the “ <u>DIP Loan Parties</u> ”).
3. DIP LENDER:	Glencore International AG (“ <u>Glencore</u> ” and the “ <u>DIP Lender</u> ”).
4. EXISTING FACILITIES:	The Borrower is party to (i) that certain Amended and Restated Convertible Note having an original principal amount of US\$124,059,131.32 as of January 31, 2025 (the “ <u>First A&R Glencore Note</u> ”) issued by the Borrower to Glencore Canada Corporation (“ <u>Glencore Canada</u> ”) on May 5, 2022 pursuant to that certain Note Purchase Agreement, dated May 5, 2022 (the “ <u>2022 Note Purchase Agreement</u> ”) and as subsequently amended and restated on March 25, 2024 and January 31, 2025, (ii) that certain Amended and Restated Convertible Note having an original principal amount of \$121,772,741.47 as of January 31, 2025 (the “ <u>Second A&R Glencore Note</u> ”), issued by the Borrower to Glencore Canada Corporation on May 5, 2022 pursuant to the 2022 Note Purchase Agreement and as subsequently amended and restated on March 25, 2024 and January 31, 2025 and (iii) that certain Amended and Restated Senior Secured Convertible Note having an original principal amount of US\$81,573,643.75 as of January 31, 2025, issued by the Borrower to Glencore Canada Corporation on March 25, 2024 and amended and restated on January 31, 2025 (the “ <u>Original Senior Secured Glencore Note</u> ” and, together with the First A&R Glencore Note and the Second A&R Glencore Note, collectively, the “ <u>Glencore Notes</u> ” and, the debt under First A&R Glencore Note and Original Senior Secured Glencore Note, the “ <u>Existing Glencore Secured Debt</u> ”) pursuant to that certain amended and restated Note Purchase Agreement, dated March 25, 2024 (as

	<p>amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the “<u>2024 Note Purchase Agreement</u>”).</p> <p>Certain of the DIP Guarantors are party to that certain Loan Arrangement and Reimbursement Agreement, dated November 7, 2024 (as amended by that certain Omnibus Amendment and Consent Agreement, dated January 13, 2025, the “<u>DOE Loan Agreement</u>” and, together with the Existing Glencore Secured Debt, the “<u>Existing Secured Debt</u>”) among the United States Department of Energy, Li-Cycle U.S. Inc., as the borrower, Li-Cycle North America Hub, Inc., as a borrower entity and Li-Cycle Inc., as a borrower entity, and the liens and security interests granted by such DIP Guarantors securing the DOE Loan Agreement are the “<u>DOE Security</u>” and the Collateral (as defined in the DOE Loan Agreement) subject to the DOE Security is the “<u>DOE Collateral</u>”.</p>
5. USE OF PROCEEDS:	<p>The proceeds of the DIP Facility may only be used to pay the following:</p> <p>(i) under the North American Facility, (a) fees and other expenses due and payable under the DIP Facility, (b) other amounts contemplated to be paid in accordance with the Budget (as defined below) (subject to Permitted Variances (as defined below)) for the North American operations of the DIP Loan Parties and only for the limited purpose of facilitating the Proceeding, including the SISP, and (c) the making by the Borrower of intercompany loans to Li-Cycle U.S. Inc and Li-Cycle APAC Pte., and</p> <p>(ii) under the European Facility, the making by the Borrower of the Intercompany Loans (as defined below) to Li-Cycle Europe AG (the “<u>Swiss Subsidiary</u>”) and/or Li-Cycle Germany GmbH (the “<u>German Subsidiary</u>”) to fund the approved operating expenses to such entities, as specifically provided in the Budget (collectively, the “<u>Permitted Uses</u>”).</p> <p>Subject to the terms of the Amended and Restated Initial Order (as defined below), no portion of DIP Loans (as defined below) and/or the Debtors’ cash collateral and other cash may be used to investigate, commence or prosecute any action, proceeding or objection with respect to or related to the rights, remedies, liens or security interests of the DIP Lender under this DIP Term Sheet or the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, and related definitive documentation relating to the DIP Facility.</p>
6. DIP FACILITY AND MAXIMUM AMOUNT:	<p>A non-amortizing multi-draw term loan debtor-in-possession credit facility in the aggregate principal amount of US\$10.5 million (the “<u>Aggregate Maximum Amount</u>”), of which an aggregate principal amount of US\$9 million (the “<u>North American Maximum Amount</u>”) will be available to fund the operations of the North American business of the DIP Loan Parties (the “<u>North American Facility</u>”), and an aggregate</p>

	<p>principal amount of US\$1.5 million (the “<u>European Maximum Amount</u>” and together with the North American Maximum Amount, the “<u>Maximum Amounts</u>” and each, an “<u>Maximum Amount</u>”) will be available to fund the operations of the Swiss Subsidiary and the German Subsidiary (the “<u>European Facility</u>” and together with the North American Facility, the “<u>Facilities</u>”); <u>provided</u> that if, in accordance with Section 2.2 of the Purchase Agreement, the Buyer elects to exercise the Rochester Option, the Aggregate Maximum Amount and North American Maximum Amount may each be increased by (i) US\$1.25 million in the case of the exercise of a Total Rochester Option and (ii) a maximum of US\$1.25 million in the case of the exercise of a Partial Rochester Option (with such amount determined in accordance with the definition of “Incremental Winddown Amount” (as defined in the Purchase Agreement)).</p> <p>Drawings under each of the Facilities will be available in multiple drawings in an aggregate amount not to exceed the applicable Maximum Amount, in each case, only solely for the Permitted Uses and in accordance with the Budget and on the terms and conditions contained herein or in the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable (the “<u>DIP Facility</u>”; and the loans thereunder, the “<u>DIP Loans</u>”).</p> <p>The date of the closing of the DIP Facility is referred to herein as the “<u>Effective Date</u>.”</p>
<p>7. INTERCOMPANY LOANS</p>	<p>Subject to the terms of this DIP Term Sheet (including, without limitation, the Budget) and the Amended and Restated Initial Order, the Borrower shall be permitted to use proceeds of DIP Loans advanced under the European Facility to make loans (each, an “<u>Intercompany Loan</u>”) to the Swiss Subsidiary and German Subsidiary, as contemplated by this DIP Term Sheet and/or the Budget; provided that the following conditions precedent shall be satisfied, or waived in writing by the DIP Lender, in its sole discretion, prior to the Borrower making any Intercompany Loan:</p> <p>(a) the quantum and timing of such Intercompany Loan shall be in accordance with, as the case may be, the German Budget or the Swiss Budget and the liquidity need set out therein for the respective next calendar week;</p> <p>(b) there shall be no Event of Default outstanding that has not been cured or waived in writing by the DIP Lender, in its sole discretion;</p> <p>(c) such Intercompany Loan shall be documented in the form attached as <u>Schedule “A”</u> hereto, and for certainty, the Intercompany Loan(s) shall (i) provide that after (A) the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default and the termination of the DIP Facility by the DIP Lender in accordance with this DIP Term Sheet or the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, and (B) the Court having issued an</p>

	<p>order authorizing the DIP Lender to do so (such order sought by the DIP Lender on not less than three (3) business days' notice to the Borrower and Alvarez & Marsal Canada Inc., in its capacity as Court-appointed monitor (in such capacity, the "<u>Monitor</u>") after the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default), the DIP Lender shall have the right to instruct the Borrower to, and the Borrower acting at the direction of the DIP Lender shall, pursue all remedies against the Swiss Subsidiary or German Subsidiary, as applicable, that are available to the Borrower as a lender under the relevant Intercompany Loan, and applicable law; and (ii) allow collection by the DIP Lender of the receivables of the Borrower against the German Subsidiary and the Swiss Subsidiary under the Intercompany Loans after the occurrence of an Event of Default; and</p> <p>(d) the claims of the Borrower against the German Subsidiary and the Swiss Subsidiary under the Intercompany Loans shall be assigned for security purposes to the DIP Lender pursuant to the DIP Charge.</p>
8. REPAYMENT:	<p>The aggregate principal amount owing under the DIP Facility, all accrued and unpaid interest, and all unpaid fees and expenses incurred by the DIP Lender as provided herein in connection with the DIP Facility (collectively, the "<u>DIP Obligations</u>") shall be repaid in full on the earliest to occur (the "<u>Maturity Date</u>") of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the date that is the Outside Date (as defined in the Purchase Agreement (as defined below)), with an ability to extend at the sole option of the DIP Lender; • closing of a sale of all or any part of the Transferred Assets (as defined in the Purchase Agreement) to a third-party purchaser pursuant to an Alternative Transaction (as defined in the Purchase Agreement); • termination of the Purchase Agreement in accordance with the terms thereof; • the closing of the Transactions (as defined in the Purchase Agreement); • the termination of the CCAA Proceeding or any action, legal proceeding or formal procedure or step is taken for the filing for or commencement of bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or moratorium proceedings (or comparable proceedings under applicable local insolvency laws) in respect of any of the Borrower, any Guarantor, the Swiss Subsidiary or the German Subsidiary under any insolvency laws, or the Swiss Subsidiary is compelled under any applicable law to apply for the commencement of such proceedings as a result of it being over-indebted (überschuldet) or illiquid (zahlungsunfähig); or • the date of acceleration of the DIP Loans pursuant to this DIP

	<p>Term Sheet or the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, the form of which shall be acceptable to the DIP Lender and the Borrower (the “<u>DIP Credit Agreement</u>”).</p> <p>The commitment in respect of the DIP Facility shall expire on the Maturity Date and all then outstanding and unpaid DIP Obligations (other than contingent indemnification obligations) shall be repaid in full on the Maturity Date.</p> <p>All payments received by the DIP Lender shall be applied first to any fees and expenses due under the DIP Facility, then to accrued and unpaid interest thereunder and then, after all such fees, expenses and interest are brought current, to the principal amount outstanding thereunder.</p> <p>It is acknowledged that, subject to Court approval, some or all of the DIP Obligations may be satisfied by the DIP Lender making of a credit bid for some or all of the assets or equity interests of the Borrower pursuant to a Vesting Order Transaction in the DIP Lender’s sole discretion.</p>
9. BUDGET:	<p>The “<u>Budget</u>” shall consist of, in respect of (i) the Borrower on a consolidated basis, a rolling 13-week operating budget prepared by the Borrower’s management and advisors in the form attached as <u>Part A of Schedule “B” (Budget)</u>, and (ii) the Swiss Subsidiary and the German Subsidiary each on a standalone basis individually (the so-prepared standalone budget a “<u>German Budget</u>” or “<u>Swiss Budget</u>”), a liquidity status as of the day two (2) days prior to the relevant day and, derived therefrom, and a rolling 13-week operating budget prepared by the Borrower’s management and advisors in the form attached as <u>Part B of Schedule “B” (Budget)</u>, in each case, that is acceptable to the DIP Lender in its sole discretion, prepared in accordance with applicable local insolvency law requirements and, in particular, sets forth all forecasted revenues, operating and non-operating cash receipts, professional fees, disbursements, net operating cash flow and liquidity of the Borrower and the DIP Guarantors (or in the case of the German Budget or Swiss Budget, the German Subsidiary or Swiss Subsidiary, respectively), on a weekly basis for such 13-week period beginning on the Effective Date, broken down by week, including the anticipated weekly borrowings and uses of the DIP Loans for such period, which shall include, in accordance with applicable local insolvency law requirements, among other things, available cash, cash flow, trade payables and ordinary course expenses, total expenses and capital expenditures, fees and expenses relating to the DIP Facility, fees and expenses related to the CCAA Proceeding (including professional fees), as applicable, and working capital and other general corporate needs (such Budget (including, for certainty, each of the German Budget and the Swiss Budget) shall be updated and supplemented in the manner required pursuant to Section 22). With respect to any material payments (<i>i.e.</i>, payment</p>

	<p>plans, payments with respect to accounts payable) in the Budget, such payments shall be explicitly identified by individual line items in such Budget.</p> <p>At any given time, the Budget in effect at such time (whether the original Budget or any subsequent Budget as updated and supplemented in the manner required pursuant to Section 22) shall be referred to as the Budget (or the German Budget or Swiss Budget, as applicable) after approval by the DIP Lender.</p>
<p>10. EFFECTIVENESS OF THE DIP FACILITY:</p>	<p>The Effective Date shall be subject to the following conditions precedent, which shall be satisfied, or waived in writing by the DIP Lender, in its sole and absolute discretion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the relevant DIP Loan Parties shall have executed a purchase agreement (the “<u>Purchase Agreement</u>”) for certain North American assets and/or equity interests of the DIP Loan Parties (including the shares of the Swiss Subsidiary), in form and substance acceptable to the DIP Lender in its sole and absolute discretion and such Purchase Agreement shall be in effect as a stalking horse bid, and there shall be no material breach by the Borrower of any of its obligations thereunder which breach has not been cured in accordance with the terms thereof; (ii) delivery of the initial Budget, with a copy to the Monitor, in form and substance acceptable to the DIP Lender in its sole discretion; (iii) the Filing Date (as defined below) shall have occurred; (iv) no trustee shall have been appointed with respect to any DIP Loan Party or any of the DIP Loan Parties’ respective properties pursuant to any of the <i>Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act</i> (Canada) or Section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code; (v) the Court shall have issued the Amended and Restated Initial Order in the CCAA Proceeding (the date of such Amended and Restated Initial Order, the “<u>Filing Date</u>”) in the form accepted by the DIP Lender in its reasonable discretion that, among other things, authorizes and approves (i) a first advance under the DIP Facility on the terms and conditions herein, including, without limitation, the DIP Charge securing a principal amount of \$10,500,000 and the other DIP Obligations not constituting the principal amount thereof with the priority contemplated herein, and (ii) the advances from the Borrower to the Swiss Subsidiary and the German Subsidiary under the Intercompany Loans, and such Amended and Restated Initial Order shall have been obtained

	<p>pursuant to notices and otherwise in a manner satisfactory to the DIP Lender and the DIP Loan Parties shall be in full compliance with all the terms of the Amended and Restated Initial Order and the CCAA Proceeding shall have been recognized in the United States pursuant to Chapter 15 of the US Bankruptcy Code in a proceeding before a bankruptcy court acceptable to the DIP Lender (the “<u>US Bankruptcy Court</u>”) and the US Bankruptcy Court shall have entered an Order, in the form accepted by the DIP Lender in its reasonable discretion, giving full force and effect to the Amended and Restated Initial Order within five (5) Business Days;</p> <p>(vi) all motions brought by any DIP Loan Party in the CCAA Proceeding and in the Chapter 15 Proceedings and orders approving such motions, in each case, as of the date that all other conditions to effectiveness in this Section 10 have been satisfied, shall be reasonably satisfactory to the DIP Lender;</p> <p>(vii) each of the representations and warranties under this DIP Term Sheet or DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the date made or deemed made (unless any representation and warranty is qualified by materiality, in which case it shall be true and correct in all respects as of the date made or deemed made);</p> <p>(viii) the absence of any Default or Event of Default hereunder as of the date that all other conditions to effectiveness in this Section 10 have been satisfied; and</p> <p>(ix) the agreements documenting the Intercompany Loans shall be in full force and effect and as of the date of such effectiveness, there shall be no breach by the parties of any of their obligations thereunder which breach has not been cured in accordance with the terms thereof.</p>
11. AVAILABILITY UNDER DIP FACILITY:	<p>The DIP Facility will be made available subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein.</p> <p>After the advance of the initial DIP Loans, subsequent DIP Loans shall be in minimum principal amounts and increments to be agreed and are to be funded within one (1) Business Day of delivery of a drawdown certificate in substantially the form set out in <u>Schedule “D”</u> hereto, executed by an officer on behalf of the Borrower (a “<u>Drawdown Certificate</u>”), for the related DIP Loan in accordance with paragraph 13(a) below.</p>

	<p>For the purposes of this DIP Term Sheet, “Business Day” means a day on which banks are generally open for business in Toronto, Ontario, New York, NY, and Baar, Switzerland.</p> <p>The proceeds of each DIP Loan under each Facility shall be applied by the Borrower solely in accordance with the Budget (subject to Permitted Variances) or as may otherwise be agreed to in writing by the DIP Lender, in its sole and absolute discretion, from time to time (in consultation with the Monitor).</p>
<p>12. CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO THE ADVANCE OF THE INITIAL DIP LOAN:</p>	<p>The following conditions precedent shall be satisfied, or waived in writing by the DIP Lender, in its sole and absolute discretion, prior to the initial DIP Loan hereunder:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) satisfaction of conditions of all conditions set forth under Section 10 (Effectiveness of the DIP Facility); (b) no Material Adverse Event shall have occurred; (c) there are no pending motions for leave to appeal, appeals, injunctions or other legal impediments relating to the Amended and Restated Initial Order or the DIP Facility, or pending litigation seeking to restrain, vary or prohibit the operation of all or any part of this DIP Term Sheet or DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable; (d) there shall be no liens ranking in priority to the DIP Charge except as expressly permitted by this DIP Term Sheet or DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable; (e) no creditor of the Borrower or any of its subsidiaries has taken any steps to seize, enforce or otherwise withdraw on any funds of the Borrower or such subsidiaries held in their respective bank accounts; (f) the DIP Loan Parties shall have paid all statutory liens, trust and other government claims arising after the commencement of the CCAA Proceeding (but for greater certainty, not including any such claims in existence at the time of the commencement of the CCAA Proceeding) including, without limitation, source deductions, except, in each case, for any such amounts that are not yet due and payable or which are in dispute, in which case appropriate reserves have been made; (g) no order shall have been made in the CCAA Proceeding which may, in the sole and absolute discretion of the DIP Lender, be materially adverse to the interests of the DIP Lender, in its capacity as DIP Lender, or materially inconsistent with the terms of this DIP Term Sheet or DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable;

	<p>(h) the making of such DIP Loan shall not result in the aggregate amounts outstanding under the DIP Facility exceeding the amount authorized at such time by the Amended and Restated Initial Order;</p> <p>(i) delivery of the most recent Budget, with a copy to the Monitor, in form and substance acceptable to the DIP Lender in its sole discretion and the DIP Lender shall be satisfied that the amount of the requested DIP Loan is required in connection with the Budget for the respective next calendar week and that the Borrower's cash on hand (taking into account the minimum liquidity covenant) is insufficient to satisfy such Budget items;</p> <p>(j) delivery to the DIP Lender, with a copy to the Monitor, of a Drawdown Certificate, executed by an officer on behalf of the Borrower; and</p> <p>(k) the making of such DIP Loan shall not violate any applicable requirement of material law, after giving effect to the Amended and Restated Initial Order and any other order of the Court, and shall not be enjoined, temporarily, preliminarily or permanently; and</p> <p>(l) there is no material breach of any of the representations, warranties or covenants under the Purchase Agreement.</p>
<p>13. CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO THE ADVANCE OF SUBSEQUENT DIP LOANS:</p>	<p>The following conditions precedent shall be satisfied, or waived in writing by the DIP Lender, in its sole and absolute discretion, prior to each subsequent DIP Loan hereunder, unless otherwise stated below:</p> <p>(a) delivery to the DIP Lender, with a copy to the Monitor, of a Drawdown Certificate, executed by an officer on behalf of the Borrower;</p> <p>(b) the Court shall have issued the amended and restated Initial Order in form and content satisfactory to the DIP Lender, in its reasonable discretion, (the "<u>Amended and Restated Initial Order</u>") that, among other things, authorizes and approves: (i) the advances of the DIP Facility on the terms and conditions hereof and the DIP Charge securing the Maximum Amount and the other DIP Obligations not constituting the principal amount thereof with the priority contemplated herein; (ii) the advances from the Borrower to the Swiss Subsidiary and the German Subsidiary under the Intercompany Loans pursuant to the European Facility, and (iii) the Borrower's unfettered access and use for working capital purposes of any and all funds in accordance with the Budget which may at any time be deposited into or held in the Bank Accounts (as defined below); and such Amended and Restated Initial Order shall have been</p>

	<p>obtained pursuant to notices and otherwise in a manner satisfactory to the DIP Lender, in its reasonable discretion;</p> <p>(c) the US Bankruptcy Court shall have entered an order in form and content satisfactory to the DIP Lender, in its reasonable discretion, giving full force and effect to the Amended and Restated Initial Order;</p> <p>(d) the Court shall have issued an order (the “<u>SISP Order</u>”) approving a sales and investment solicitation process relating to a Vesting Order Transaction (the “<u>SISP</u>”), which SISP Order shall be in form and substance satisfactory to the DIP Lender, acting reasonably;</p> <p>(e) solely with respect to access to the North American Facility, the SISP Order shall have approved the Purchase Agreement (a “<u>Stalking Horse Bid</u>”) and Glencore Canada Corp., as a stalking horse; and provides stalking horse protections acceptable to the DIP Lender, acting reasonably;</p> <p>(f) unless otherwise agreed to by the DIP Lender and the Purchaser, the Borrower shall be in compliance with the Milestones (as such term is defined in the SISP);</p> <p>(g) none of the Amended and Restated Initial Order, the SISP Order or any other Court Order in the CCAA Proceeding or any recognition order under Chapter 15 with respect to any of the foregoing shall have been vacated, stayed or otherwise caused to become ineffective or amended in a manner prejudicial to the DIP Lender;</p> <p>(h) no order shall have been made in the CCAA Proceeding which may, in the sole and absolute discretion of the DIP Lender, be materially adverse to the interests of the DIP Lender, in its capacity as DIP Lender, or materially inconsistent with the terms of this DIP Term Sheet or DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable;</p> <p>(i) if required by the DIP Lender, negotiation, execution and delivery of a credit agreement (the “<u>DIP Credit Agreement</u>”) and related guarantee and security documentation which, where applicable, will be in substantially the form delivered in connection with the Glencore Secured Notes (but without any concept of “Excluded Assets” and, for the avoidance of doubt, inclusive of all Real Estate Assets (as defined in the Glencore Secured Notes) (collectively, with the DIP Credit Agreement and the Amended and Restated Initial Order, the “<u>DIP Loan Documents</u>”), in each case, in form and substance satisfactory to the DIP Lender in its sole discretion;</p>
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	<p>(j) the making of such DIP Loan shall not violate any applicable requirement of material law, after giving effect to the Amended and Restated Initial Order and any other order of the Court, and shall not be enjoined, temporarily, preliminarily or permanently;</p> <p>(k) there is no Default or Event of Default under this DIP Term Sheet or the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, that has occurred and is continuing, nor will any such event occur as a result of the making of such DIP Loan;</p> <p>(l) each of the representations and warranties in this DIP Term Sheet or DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the date made or deemed made (unless any representation and warranty is qualified by materiality, in which case it shall be true and correct in all respects as of the date made or deemed made);</p> <p>(m) there are no pending motions for leave to appeal, appeals, or injunctions relating to the Amended and Restated Initial Order, or the SISP Order, as the case may be, any other Court Order or the DIP Facility, or pending litigation seeking to restrain, vary or prohibit the operation of all or any part of this DIP Term Sheet or DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable;</p> <p>(n) the DIP Loan Parties shall have paid all statutory liens, trust and other government claims arising after the commencement of the CCAA Proceeding (but for greater certainty, not including any such claims in existence at the time of the commencement of the CCAA Proceeding) including, without limitation, source deductions, except, in each case, for any such amounts that are not yet due and payable or which are in dispute, in which case appropriate reserves have been made;</p> <p>(o) delivery of the most recent Budget, with a copy to the Monitor, in form and substance acceptable to the DIP Lender in its sole discretion and the DIP Lender shall be satisfied that the amount of the requested DIP Loan is required in connection with the Budget for the respective next calendar week and that the Borrower's cash on hand (taking into account the minimum liquidity covenant) is insufficient to satisfy such Budget items;</p> <p>(p) the Borrower shall at all times have diligently and in good faith implemented and conducted the SISP in accordance with the SISP Order; and</p> <p>(q) there is no material breach of any of the representations, warranties or covenants under the Purchase Agreement.</p>
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14. SECURITY

All obligations of the DIP Loan Parties under or in connection with the DIP Facility shall be secured by a Court-ordered charge (the “DIP Charge”) over all present and after-acquired property, assets and undertakings of the DIP Loan Parties, both real and personal (including for greater certainty and without limitation, all equity interests, intellectual property, insurance proceeds, those assets set forth on the financial statements of the DIP Loan Parties (if applicable), the Intercompany Loans and all receivables and other indebtedness, obligations or other amounts owing to the Borrower in connection with the Intercompany Loans), and all proceeds therefrom and all causes of action of the DIP Loan Parties, and, if applicable, any other local law security (collectively, the “Collateral”); for the avoidance of doubt, the Collateral will expressly include assets and property including Real Property Assets which previously constituted Excluded Assets pursuant to the terms of the Glencore Secured Notes. The DIP Charge shall be a priority charge which shall rank ahead of any and all liens, charges, security interests, claims and encumbrances of any kind whatsoever in and against the Collateral including, without limitation, the liens securing the Existing Secured Debt (provided that with respect to the DOE Collateral, the DIP Charge shall rank behind the DOE Security) subject only to:

- (a) an administration charge (the “Administration Charge”) in an aggregate amount not to exceed US\$2.5 million, as of the date of the Amended and Restated Initial Order, to secure payment of the reasonable fees, expenses and disbursements of: (i) the Borrower’s Canadian and U.S. counsel; (ii) the Monitor and its Canadian and U.S. counsel; (iii) the Chief Restructuring Officer and Chief Financial Officer of the Borrower (for their monthly work fees); and (iv) the financial advisor of the Borrower.
- (b) a charge in favour of the directors and officers of the DIP Loan Parties (the “D&O Charge”) in an aggregate amount not to exceed US\$450,000 as of the date of the Amended and Restated Initial Order; and
- (c) a charge in favour of (i) employees that may be entitled to receive payments in the Borrower’s key employee retention plan in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$869,973.92 and US\$672,075.46, and (ii) Maplebriar Holdings Inc. for its monthly work fees in the aggregate amount not to exceed US\$150,000 (the “KERP Charge”) which charge shall apply only against funds that will be paid by the Borrower to the Monitor and held by the Monitor.

The Amended and Restated Initial Order and SISP Order, as applicable, may also include the granting of charges, ranking

	<p>subordinate in priority to the DIP Charge, the Administration Charge, the D&O Charge and the KERP Charge:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) in favour of (i) the CRO for its fees and expenses other than its monthly work fees, and (ii) Maplebriar Holdings Inc. for its fees and expenses other than its monthly work fees (the “<u>Transaction Fee Charge</u>”), in an aggregate amount not to exceed US\$1 million; (b) in favour of Glencore Canada Corporation for payment of the Bid Protections (as defined in the SISP Order) in an aggregate amount not to exceed US\$1.2 million (the “<u>BID Procedure Charge</u>”); and (c) in favour of the Borrower for any intercompany advances made to the other DIP Loan Parties after the issuance of the Amended and Restated Initial Order (the “<u>Intercompany Charge</u>”), provided such Intercompany Charge shall be released over all Transferred Assets (as such term is defined in the Purchase Agreement) and any assets which are owned by any Transferred Entity (as such term is defined in the Purchase Agreement) by the Approval and Vesting Order. <p>Subject to the Glencore equity and asset purchase agreement being the successful bid in the SISP, in accordance with the SISP Order, immediately prior to closing, the Borrower shall apply any cash that was saved as a result of a positive variance on any line item in the Budget against any liability giving rise to an Administration Charge or D&O Charge that otherwise would be assumed by the Buyer under the Purchase Agreement at the closing of the transactions contemplated thereby.</p>
15. MANDATORY PREPAYMENTS:	None.
16. VOLUNTARY PREPAYMENTS	The DIP Loans may be permanently prepaid, with the consent of the Monitor, without premium or penalty in full by the Borrower at any time. Amounts repaid may not be reborrowed.
17. ROLL UP OF EXISTING FACILITIES AND/OR OTHER PRE-PETITION DEBT	None.
18. INTEREST RATE:	<p>All amounts outstanding under the DIP Facility will bear interest at a rate equal to 11.3% <i>per annum</i>.</p> <p>Interest on each DIP Loan shall accrue on each advance of the DIP Loan from and after the date of advance of such DIP Loan to the Borrower to, but excluding, the date of repayment and shall be calculated and compounded on a monthly basis on the principal amount of such DIP Loan and any overdue interest</p>

	<p>remaining unpaid from time to time and on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in a year of 365 days.</p> <p>For the purposes of the <i>Interest Act</i> (Canada), the annual rates of interest referred to in this DIP Term Sheet or the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, calculated in accordance with the provisions of this DIP Term Sheet or the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, are equivalent to the rates so calculated multiplied by the actual number of days in a calendar year and divided by 365.</p> <p>If any provision of this DIP Term Sheet or the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, or any document entered into in connection therewith would obligate the Borrower to make any payment of interest or other amount payable to the DIP Lender in an amount or calculated at a rate which would be prohibited by law or would result in receipt by the DIP Lender of interest at a criminal rate (as such terms are construed under the <i>Criminal Code</i> (Canada)) then, notwithstanding such provision, such amount or rate shall be deemed to have been adjusted with retroactive effect to the maximum amount or rate of interest, as the case may be, as would not be so prohibited by law or so result in receipt by the DIP Lender of interest at a criminal rate and any such amounts actually paid by the Borrower in excess of the adjusted amount shall be forthwith refunded to the Borrower.</p>
19. DEFAULT RATE:	<p>During the continuation of an Event of Default, the DIP Loans and all other outstanding DIP Obligations will bear interest at an additional 2.00% per annum, payable on demand.</p>
20. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES:	<p>Each DIP Loan Party represents and warrants to the DIP Lender as follows (upon which the DIP Lender relies in entering into this DIP Term Sheet), provided that the following representation and warranties shall be subject to the exceptions and thresholds consistent with those set forth in the Original Senior Secured Glencore Note with respect to the corresponding representation and warranties (if there is one) (<u>provided</u>, that such exceptions and thresholds are not specific to the DIP Facility) and subject to the entry of the Amended and Restated Initial Order:</p> <p>(a) each DIP Loan Party is duly organized or incorporated and validly existing under the laws of its governing jurisdiction and is duly qualified, licensed or registered to carry on business under the laws applicable to it in all jurisdictions in which the nature of its assets or business makes such qualification necessary, except where the failure to have such qualification, license or registration would not constitute a Material Adverse Event. For the purpose of this DIP Term Sheet or DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, “<u>Material Adverse Event</u>” means one or more events or occurrences which individually or collectively could have a material adverse</p>

	<p>effect (a “<u>Material Adverse Effect</u>”) on: (i) the operations, financial condition, business or assets of the Borrower or any of its subsidiaries, (ii) the ability of the Borrower or any of its subsidiaries to comply with their respective obligations hereunder or under any Court Order, or (iii) the interests of the DIP Lender or its ability to be fully repaid the DIP Obligations in accordance with the terms hereof;</p> <p>(b) the Borrower and each other DIP Loan Party have all requisite corporate or other power and authority to: (i) carry on its business; (ii) own property, borrow monies and enter into agreements therefor; and (iii) subject to the entry of the Amended and Restated Initial Order and SISP Order, execute and enter into this DIP Term Sheet or DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, and observe and perform the terms and provisions thereof;</p> <p>(c) the execution and delivery of this DIP Term Sheet or DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, by the DIP Loan Parties and the performance by each such DIP Loan Party of its obligations hereunder has been duly authorized by all necessary corporate or other action and any actions required under applicable laws;</p> <p>(d) except as has been obtained and is in full force and effect, and subject to the entry of the Amended and Restated Initial Order and SISP Order, no registration, declaration, consent, waiver or authorization of, or filing with or notice to, any governmental body is required to be obtained in connection with the performance by the DIP Loan Parties of their obligations under the DIP Facility;</p> <p>(e) this DIP Term Sheet or DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, has been duly executed and delivered by the DIP Loan Parties and constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of each such DIP Loan Party, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, subject only to any limitation under applicable laws relating to (i) bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, receivership, conservatorship, arrangement, moratorium or creditors’ rights generally; (ii) the fact that specific performance and injunctive relief may only be given at the discretion of the courts; and (iii) the equitable or statutory powers of the courts to stay proceedings before them and to stay the execution of judgments;</p> <p>(f) the execution and delivery of this DIP Term Sheet or DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, by the DIP Loan Parties and the performance by each such DIP Loan Party of its obligations thereunder and compliance with the terms, conditions and provisions thereof, will not conflict with</p>
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	<p>or result in a breach in any material respect of any of the terms, conditions or provisions of: (i) its organizational documents (including any shareholders' agreements) or by-laws; (ii) any applicable laws; (iii) except as stayed pursuant to the CCAA Proceeding by the terms of any Court Order, any contractual restriction binding on or affecting it or its material properties; or (iv) any material judgment, injunction, determination or award which is binding on it, in each case that would reasonably be expected to have, individually or on the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect;</p> <p>(g) each DIP Loan Party is in compliance with all applicable laws applicable to each such DIP Loan Party, non-compliance with which would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;</p> <p>(h) there are no actions, suits or proceedings pending, taken or, to the Borrower's knowledge, threatened, before or by any governmental body or by any elected or appointed public official or private person in Canada or elsewhere, which would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect and which will have not been stayed pursuant to the Amended and Restated Initial Order;</p> <p>(i) each DIP Loan Party has good and marketable title to all of the relevant Collateral held by such DIP Loan Party free from any title defects or irregularities that do not, individually or in the aggregate, materially affect the operation of the business of the DIP Loan Parties taken as a whole;</p> <p>(j) each DIP Loan Party has filed all material tax returns that are required to be filed and has in all material respects paid all taxes, interest and penalties, if any, which have become due pursuant to such returns or pursuant to any assessment received by it, except any such assessment that is being contested in good faith by proper legal proceedings. Without limiting the foregoing, all employee source deductions (including in respect of income taxes, employment insurance and Canada Pension Plan) payroll taxes and workers' compensation dues are currently paid and up to date, subject to normal course accruals;</p> <p>(k) except as specified on <u>Schedule "E"</u> hereto (or as scheduled to the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable), there are no actions, suits or proceedings (including any tax-related matter) by or before any arbitrator or governmental authority or by any other person pending against or threatened against or affecting the DIP Loan Parties that could reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to result in a Material Adverse Effect</p>
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	<p>that will not have been stayed pursuant to the Amended and Restated Initial Order;</p> <p>(l) each DIP Loan Party maintains insurance policies and coverage that: (i) is sufficient for compliance with any applicable law and all material agreements to which it is a party; and (ii) provide adequate insurance coverage in at least such amounts and against at least such risks as are usually insured against in the same general area by persons engaged in the same or similar business to the assets and operations of the DIP Loan Parties;</p> <p>(m) all factual information provided by or on behalf of the DIP Loan Parties to the DIP Lender for the purposes of or in connection with this DIP Term Sheet, the DIP Credit Agreement (if applicable) or any transaction contemplated herein, is true and accurate in all material respects on the date as of which such information is dated or certified and remains true in all material respects as of the date provided and is not incomplete by omitting to state any fact necessary to make such information (taken as a whole) not materially misleading at such time in light of the circumstances under which such information was provided. With respect to any projections, future business plans or forward looking financial statements, the Borrower is not guaranteeing in giving this representation and warranty that the actual future results will be as forecast or projected (but, for greater certainty, the DIP Lender has all of its rights hereunder in the event that such actual future results are not as forecast or projected, including, without limitation, as provided for in Section 9 herein);</p> <p>(n) as of the date hereof, except as specified on <u>Schedule "F"</u> hereto (or as scheduled to the Credit Agreement, as applicable), neither the Borrower nor any Guarantor administers any pension plans and does not have any outstanding payment obligations in respect of special payments or amortization payments, including without limitation, in respect of pension plans, payments related to post-retirement benefits, solvency deficiencies or wind-up shortfalls in relation to any pension plan; and</p> <p>(o) no action, legal proceeding or formal procedure or step has been taken for filing for or the commencement of bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or moratorium proceedings (or comparable proceedings under applicable local insolvency laws) in respect of any of the Borrower, any Guarantor, the Swiss Subsidiary or the German Subsidiary under any insolvency laws.</p>
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<p>21. AFFIRMATIVE COVENANTS:</p>	<p>Each DIP Loan Party, as applicable, covenants and agrees to do and cause its subsidiaries to do (as applicable), the following until such time as the DIP Obligations are repaid in full:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) delivery of financial statements on a monthly basis within thirty (30) days after the end of such month for the first two (2) months of each fiscal quarter (which statements shall not be required to be compliant with GAAP), the Budget and the Variance Reports, delivered on a weekly basis pursuant to Section 22 and other information reasonably requested by the DIP Lender; (ii) upon request, participate in weekly calls with legal and financial advisors and relevant members of management and representatives of the Monitor; (iii) provide the DIP Lender with any material information requested by the DIP Lender, acting reasonably and subject to privilege, confidentiality and any restrictions imposed by SISP Order or any other order of the CCAA court; (iv) perform its obligations under this DIP Term Sheet or the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, and under any other contract or agreement with the DIP Lender or any of its affiliates as and when required and in the manner required; (v) use the proceeds of the DIP Facility only for the Permitted Uses and in accordance with the Budget; (vi) comply in all material respects with the provisions of all court orders made in connection with the CCAA Proceeding and Chapter 15 Proceeding (collectively, the “<u>Court Orders</u>” and each a “<u>Court Order</u>”); (vii) preserve, renew and keep in full force each DIP Loan Party’s corporate or other existence and all material licenses, permits, approvals, etc. required in respect of their respective business, properties, assets or any activities or operations carried out therein; (viii) maintain the insurance in existence as of the date hereof with respect to the Collateral; (ix) subject to the CCAA and the Court Orders, materially comply with all of its existing commercial arrangements with Glencore Canada and any affiliate thereof; (x) promptly notify the DIP Lender of the occurrence of any Event of Default, or of any event or circumstance
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	<p>(a “<u>Default</u>”) that may, with the passage of time or the giving of notice, constitute an Event of Default;</p> <p>(xi) promptly notify the DIP Lender of the commencement of, or receipt of notice of intention to commence, any action, suit, investigation, litigation or proceeding before any court, governmental department, board, bureau, agency or similar body affecting any DIP Loan Party;</p> <p>(xii) subject to the CCAA and the Court Orders, comply in all material respects with all applicable laws, rules and regulations applicable to its business, including, without limitation, health and safety, and environmental laws;</p> <p>(xiii) except where a stay of proceedings or Court Order otherwise applies, pay when due all statutory liens, trust and other Crown claims including employee source deductions, GST, HST, PST, employer health tax, and workplace safety and insurance premiums, but only with respect to: (i) payments that rank in priority to the DIP Charge; or (ii) payments that are otherwise authorized pursuant to the Amended and Restated Initial Order, and this DIP Term Sheet or the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable;</p> <p>(xiv) treat as unaffected the DIP Obligations in any plan of compromise or arrangement, proposal or any other restructuring whatsoever;</p> <p>(xv) at all times be and remain subject to the CCAA Proceeding until the DIP Obligations are irrevocably and unconditionally repaid in full, with no further right to DIP Loans, unless the DIP Lender, in its sole discretion, consents to a different treatment;</p> <p>(xvi) ensure that all motion records, pleadings, application records, orders and other documents (the “<u>Court Documents</u>”) filed, sought, served, and obtained by the Borrower or in respect of which the Borrower consents or does not object, in or in connection with the Proceeding or Chapter 15 Proceeding shall be in form and substance satisfactory to the DIP Lender, acting reasonably, and provide to the DIP Lender copies of such Court Documents as soon as practicable prior to any filing or service in the Proceeding or Chapter 15 Proceeding, but in no event later than the day that is two (2) Business Days prior to the date on which the same is to be served;</p> <p>(xvii) subject to the CCAA and the Court Orders, grant the DIP Lender and its professional advisors reasonable access to the Collateral and their business, properties,</p>
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	<p>and books and records where reasonably necessary for the DIP Lender in its capacity as DIP Lender and subject to privilege, confidentiality and any restrictions imposed by SISP Order or any other order of the CCAA court;</p> <p>(xviii) unless otherwise agreed to by the DIP Lender and the purchaser and approved by the Court, conduct the SISP strictly in accordance with its terms (including Milestones and timelines) and strictly comply with the SISP Order;</p> <p>(xix) ensure that all disbursements under the Intercompany Loan to the Germany Subsidiary and the Swiss Subsidiary will be paid to Bank Accounts (as defined below) which are pledged as security under the Original Senior Secured Glencore Note; and</p> <p>(xx) within ten (10) days of the effectiveness of the DIP Facility, the relevant DIP Loan Parties will execute and deliver the Purchase Agreement.</p>
22. BUDGET REPORTING:	<p>The Borrower shall provide every Friday of a calendar week (i) an updated Budget and (ii) a Budget Variance Report (as defined below) comparing the Budget to actual results for each line item in a form to be attached to this DIP Term Sheet or the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, and otherwise reasonably acceptable to the DIP Lender, with management commentary on any individual line item with a positive or negative variance of 10% or more (excluding any variance attributable to working capital) as compared to the Budget (a “<u>Material Variance</u>”), and tracking of accrual of professional fees and payments and accruals under first day motions/relief.</p> <p>“<u>Budget Variance Report</u>” means a report provided by the Borrower to the DIP Lenders showing, in each case, on a line item by line item and a cumulative basis, the Actual Cash Receipts, the Actual Operating Disbursement Amounts and the Actual Professional Fee Amounts, in each case, as of the last day of the Test Period then most recently ended, noting therein (i) all variances, on a cumulative basis, from the Budgeted Cash Receipts, the Budgeted Disbursement Amounts and the Budgeted Professional Fee Amounts, for such period as set forth in the Approved Budget as in effect for such period and (ii) containing an indication as to whether each Material Variance, if any, is temporary or permanent and analysis and explanations for all Material Variances and (iii) certifying compliance or non-compliance in such Variance Testing Period with the Permitted Variances.</p>

	<p>“<u>Actual Cash Receipts</u>” means with respect to any period, the actual amount that corresponds to the line item “Total Receipts” as determined by reference to the Budget as then in effect.</p> <p>“<u>Actual Operating Disbursement Amounts</u>” means with respect to any period, the amount that corresponds to the line item “Total Cash Disbursements” in the Budget as then in effect.</p> <p>“<u>Actual Professional Fee Amounts</u>” means with respect to any period, the amount that corresponds to the line item “Total Professional Fees” in the Budget as then in effect.</p> <p>“<u>Budgeted Cash Receipts</u>” means with respect to any period, the amount that corresponds to the line item “Total Receipts” in the Budget, as then in effect.</p> <p>“<u>Budgeted Disbursement Amounts</u>” means with respect to any period, the amount that corresponds to the line item “Total Cash Disbursements” in the Budget as then in effect.</p> <p>“<u>Budgeted Professional Fee Amounts</u>” means with respect to any period, the amount that corresponds to the line item “Total Professional Fees” in the Budget as then in effect.</p>
23. VARIANCE TESTING:	<p>As of the end of each Test Period (as defined below), (i) the aggregate sum of the DIP Loan Parties’ Actual Operating Disbursement Amounts to third parties during such Test Period shall not exceed 110% of the projected Budgeted Disbursement Amounts (which shall, in each case, include capital expenditures), (ii) the aggregate sum of the DIP Loan Parties’ Actual Professional Fee Amounts to third parties during such Test Period shall not exceed 110% of the projected Budgeted Professional Fee Amounts and (iii) the aggregate sum of the DIP Loan Parties’ Actual Cash Receipts from third parties during such Term Period shall not be less than 90% of the Budgeted Cash Receipts for such Test Period as set forth in the Budget (the “<u>Permitted Variance</u>”); provided that to the extent the Actual Operating Disbursement Amounts to third parties is less than the Permitted Variance for such Test Period, the Borrower may carryforward such unused Permitted Variance capacity to any subsequent Test Periods.</p> <p>“<u>Test Period</u>” shall mean, with respect to actual cash receipts and operating cash disbursements, (x) initially, the four-week period following the Effective Date and (y) thereafter, each rolling four-week period ending two weeks after the previously ended Test Period.</p>
24. NEGATIVE COVENANTS:	<p>The Borrower covenants and agrees not to do the following or permit any subsidiary to do the following while any DIP Obligations remain outstanding, other than with the prior written consent of the DIP Lender or pursuant to an Order of the Court, provided that the following covenants shall be subject to the exceptions and thresholds set forth in the Original Senior Secured Glencore Note with respect to the corresponding negative</p>

	<p>covenant, if any (<u>provided</u>, that (x) such exceptions and thresholds are not specific to the DIP Facility and (y) the following exceptions and thresholds set forth in Sections 1(k), 1(p), 2(n), 3(b) and 4(k) in Annex A-2 of the Original Secured Glencore Note shall not be applicable):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) transfer, lease or otherwise dispose of all or any part of its property, assets or undertaking except in the ordinary course of their businesses or pursuant to any Intercompany Loans; (b) make any payment of principal or interest in respect of any indebtedness outstanding prior to the commencement of the CCAA Proceeding including, without limitation, the Existing Secured Debt, (collectively, the “<u>Existing Indebtedness</u>”) other than as may be expressly permitted or required herein; (c) create or permit to exist indebtedness for borrowed money other than: (i) indebtedness for borrowed money existing on the date hereof; (ii) debt contemplated by this DIP Term Sheet or the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable; and (iii) post-filing trade credit obtained in the ordinary course of business, in accordance with the Budget; (d) permit any new liens to exist on any Collateral other than the DIP Charge, the Administration Charge, the D&O Charge, the KERP Charge, the Bid Procedure Charge and Permitted Liens (as defined in the Original Senior Secured Glencore Note (other than liens that are permitted under Section 2(n) of the Original Secured Glencore Note), or as otherwise permitted pursuant to the Court Orders; (e) either: (i) change its name, amalgamate, consolidate with or merge into, or enter into any similar transaction with any other entity; or (ii) make any changes to its organizational documents that could be materially adverse to the DIP Lender in its capacity as such; (f) other than the Intercompany Loans or as otherwise permitted herein, make any acquisitions, investments or loans to any person or guarantee the obligations of any person, other than those in existence as of the date hereof and previously disclosed to the DIP Lender in writing; (g) enter into any transaction with any affiliate or related person (<u>provided</u>, that Glencore and its affiliates shall not constitute affiliates or related persons for purposes of this clause (g)), unless such transaction is on terms that are not less favorable to the Borrower or such subsidiary, as the case may be, other than any Intercompany Loans and those that might be obtained at the time in a comparable
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	<p>arm's-length transaction from a person who is not an affiliate or related person (as reasonably determined by the Borrower in good faith);</p> <p>(h) pay any dividends, distributions or advances to shareholders of the DIP Loan Parties, or any management bonus or similar payments, except to the extent expressly provided for in the approved Budget;</p> <p>(i) engage in material line of business other than the business engaged in by the Borrower or any subsidiary on the date hereof or any line of business that is reasonably related or ancillary thereto;</p> <p>(j) change its fiscal year;</p> <p>(k) issue any equity;</p> <p>(l) take any action (or support the taking of any action by another person) that has, or may have, a material adverse impact on the rights and interests of the DIP Lender, including, without limitation, any action in furtherance of challenging the validity, enforceability or amount of the obligations owing in respect of the DIP Facility;</p> <p>(m) except in accordance with the Purchase Agreement or the SISP Order, commence, continue or seek any stakeholder or court approval for any sale, restructuring transaction or plan without the prior written consent of the DIP Lender in its sole and absolute discretion;</p> <p>(n) to the extent legally permitted, undertake to ensure and, if requested, not to consent to any, voluntary filing for the commencement of bankruptcy or receivership proceedings (or comparable proceedings under applicable local insolvency laws) by either of the Swiss Subsidiary or the German Subsidiary;</p> <p>(o) not to hold or use any bank accounts other than the bank accounts listed on a schedule attached hereto as <u>Schedule "G"</u> (or as scheduled to the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable) (the "<u>Bank Accounts</u>") or otherwise notified to the DIP Lender in writing; and</p> <p>(p) amend, vary, novate, supplement, supersede, waive or terminate any agreements documenting the Intercompany Loans.</p>
25. FINANCIAL COVENANTS:	<p>(i) Weekly compliance with the Budget, tested on an aggregate cumulative basis, subject to the Permitted Variance and</p> <p>(ii) minimum liquidity of \$0.5 million, tested weekly), with liquidity being defined as unrestricted cash of the Borrower on a consolidated basis.</p>

<p>26. EVENTS OF DEFAULT:</p>	<p>The occurrence of any one or more of the following events, without the prior written consent of the DIP Lender, in its sole and absolute discretion, shall constitute an event of default (“<u>Event of Default</u>”):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the issuance of an order terminating the CCAA Proceeding or the Chapter 15 Proceeding or lifting the stay in the CCAA Proceeding or the Chapter 15 Proceeding to permit the enforcement of any security against the DIP Loan Parties, or any of the Collateral, or the appointment of a receiver and manager, receiver, interim receiver or similar official or the making of a bankruptcy order against the DIP Loan Parties, the Swiss Subsidiary, any DIP Loan Party, or any of the Collateral, or the termination or expiry (without further extension) of the stay of proceedings provided in the CCAA Proceeding or the Chapter 15 Proceeding in any respect; (ii) the issuance of an order granting a lien of equal or superior status to that of the DIP Charge, other than the Administration Charge, the D&O Charge and the KERP Charge; (iii) the issuance of any Court Order in the CCAA Proceedings or Chapter 15 Proceedings: (i) staying, reversing, vacating or otherwise modifying the DIP Charge, the Amended and Restated Initial Order, or the SISP Order (and in each case including any Chapter 15 recognition order with respect thereto), as the case may be, in a manner that adversely impacts or could reasonably be expected to adversely impact the rights and interests of the DIP Lender; (ii) that is materially inconsistent with the terms of this Term Sheet, or (iii) that adversely impacts or could reasonably be expected to adversely impact the rights and interests of the DIP Lender in connection with the Collateral or under this DIP Term Sheet or the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, or the Amended and Restated Initial Order or the SISP Order (and in each case including any Chapter 15 recognition order with respect thereto), as the case may be, as determined by the DIP Lender, in its sole and absolute discretion; (iv) failure of any DIP Loan Party to pay any principal, interest fees or any other amounts, in each case when due and owing under this DIP Term Sheet or the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable;
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	<p>(v) any adverse deviation of more than the Permitted Variance from the amount set forth under the Budget for any Budget Period;</p> <p>(vi) any representation or warranty made by any DIP Loan Party herein or in any Drawdown Certificate delivered by such DIP Loan Party to the DIP Lender shall be incorrect or misleading in any material respect as of the date made or deemed made and, solely to the extent such misrepresentation is capable of being cured, such incorrect representation and warranty continues unremedied for a period of five (5) Business Days;</p> <p>(vii) a court order is made (whether in the CCAA Proceeding, the Chapter 15 Proceedings or otherwise), the US Bankruptcy Court refuses to recognize any order in the CCAA Proceeding, a liability arises or an event occurs, including any change in the business, assets, or conditions, financial or otherwise, of the DIP Loan Parties, that, in each case, has or that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;</p> <p>(viii) any material breach of any Court Order upon receipt by the Borrower or a Guarantor of notice from the DIP Lender of such breach by the Borrower or a Guarantor;</p> <p>(ix) failure of any DIP Loan Party to perform or comply in any material respect with any negative covenant or financial covenant in this DIP Term Sheet;</p> <p>(x) failure of any DIP Loan Party to perform or comply with any other term or covenant under this DIP Term Sheet or the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, and such default shall continue unremedied for a period of five (5) Business Days after the earlier of (i) delivery of notice given by the DIP Lender to the Borrower, or (ii) the Borrower's knowledge of such failure to perform or comply;</p> <p>(xi) any change of control of any DIP Loan Party, except in accordance with the Purchase Agreement;</p> <p>(xii) the seeking of, or support by, any DIP Loan Party, or the issuance of, any court order (in the CCAA Proceeding, the Chapter 15 Proceedings or otherwise) that is, in the sole and absolute discretion of the DIP Lender, adverse to the interests of the DIP Lender or otherwise not in form and substance satisfactory to the DIP Lender, acting reasonably;</p> <p>(xiii) any of the Sellers (as defined in the Purchase Agreement) rescinds or purports to rescind (in</p>
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	<p>writing) or repudiates or purports to repudiate (in writing) the Purchase Agreement, the Purchase Agreement, or any Collateral;</p> <p>(xiv) any of the Sellers (as defined in the Purchase Agreement) has breached any of the representations, warranties or covenants under the Purchase Agreement;</p> <p>(xv) the Swiss Subsidiary or the German Subsidiary suspends or ceases to carry on all or a material portion of its business;</p> <p>(xvi) any of the Borrower, any Guarantor, the Swiss Subsidiary or the German Subsidiary is overindebted or is declared unable to pay its debts under applicable law or admits its inability or fails generally to pay its debts as they become due (taking into account any drawings under the DIP Loan or the Intercompany Loans, as applicable); or</p> <p>(xvii) (A) any action, legal proceeding or formal procedure or step is taken for the commencement of bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or moratorium proceedings (or comparable proceedings under applicable local insolvency laws) in respect of any of the Borrower, any Guarantor, the Swiss Subsidiary or the German Subsidiary under any insolvency laws, or (B) the Swiss Subsidiary is compelled under any applicable law to apply for the commencement of such proceedings as a result of it being over-indebted (überschuldet) or illiquid (zahlungsunfähig).</p>
27. [RESERVED]	
28. INDEMNITY:	<p>The DIP Loan Parties, jointly and severally, indemnify and hold harmless the DIP Lender and each of its respective affiliates, officers, directors, fiduciaries, employees, agents, advisors, attorneys and representatives from and against all losses, claims, liabilities, damages, and expenses (limited in the case of professional fees to the actual, reasonable and documented out-of-pocket fees and disbursements of counsel) in connection with any investigation or proceeding, or the preparation of any defense in respect thereof, litigation arising out of or relating to the DIP Facility or the transactions contemplated in this DIP Term Sheet, including the Intercompany Loans, or the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, or the Glencore Notes.</p> <p>The foregoing indemnities and the indemnities granted under this DIP Term Sheet or the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, shall survive any termination of the DIP Facility.</p>

29. REMEDIES:	<p>Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, and subject to the Court Orders, whether or not there is availability under the DIP Facility, (a) without any notice to the Borrower, the Borrower shall have no right to receive any additional DIP Loans or other accommodation of credit from the DIP Lender except in the sole and absolute discretion of the DIP Lender; and (b) the DIP Lender may immediately terminate the DIP Facility and demand immediate payment of all DIP Obligations (other than contingent indemnification obligations) by providing such a notice and demand to the Borrower, with a copy to the Monitor. With not less than five (5) Business Days' notice to the Borrower after the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, the DIP Lender shall have the right to enforce the DIP Charge and to exercise all other rights and remedies in respect of the DIP Obligations and the DIP Charge and, if applicable, the Intercompany Loan Security Assignments and other local law security, including the right to realize on all Collateral and to apply to the Court for the appointment of a Court-appointed receiver (subject to the application of a portion of the proceeds of realization to Administration Charge, as applicable) and the right to enforce the Intercompany Loans and the Intercompany Loan Security Assignment Agreements and to exercise all rights and remedies thereunder against the Swiss Subsidiary and the German Subsidiary consistent therewith. No failure or delay by the DIP Lender in exercising any of its rights hereunder or at law shall be deemed a waiver of any kind, and the DIP Lender shall be entitled to exercise such rights in accordance with the DIP Credit Agreement at any time. No further Intercompany Loans shall be made by the Borrower after the occurrence of an Event of Default, unless such Event of Default is cured or waived in writing by the DIP Lender, or the DIP Lender otherwise agrees in writing.</p>
30. COSTS AND EXPENSES; LEGAL FEES:	<p>Each party shall be responsible for their own costs and expenses (including legal fees), <u>provided, however</u>, that the Borrower shall be responsible for the out-of-pocket legal fees, costs and expenses incurred by the DIP Lender in connection with the enforcement of the DIP Facility.</p>
31. DIP LENDER APPROVALS:	<p>Any consent, approval, instruction or other expression of the DIP Lender to be delivered in writing may be delivered by any written instrument, including by way of email, by the DIP Lender (including by its counsel) pursuant to the terms hereof.</p>
32. TAXES:	<p>All payments by the DIP Loan Parties under the DIP Credit Agreement to the DIP Lender, shall be made free and clear of, and without reduction for or on account of, any taxes.</p> <p>Subject to the Glencore equity and asset purchase agreement being the successful bid in the SISP, in accordance with the SISP Order, the DIP Lender agrees to supply additional cash necessary</p>

	to pay any applicable withholding taxes in respect of the interest paid on the DIP Loans.
33. FURTHER ASSURANCES:	The Borrower and each DIP Guarantor shall, at its sole cost and expense, from time to time do, execute and deliver, or will cause to be done, executed and delivered, all such further acts, documents and things as the DIP Lender may reasonably request for the purpose of giving effect to the provisions of the DIP Credit Agreement. Without limiting the foregoing, the Borrower and each DIP Guarantor agrees that if so requested by the DIP Lender, acting reasonably, it shall promptly execute and deliver to the DIP Lender any general security agreement, real property security, intellectual property security, security over the Intercompany Loans, or other security documents securing its obligations to the DIP Lender hereunder in forms reasonable and customary for debtor in possession financings, provided however that the execution of any such security document shall not be a condition precedent to funding the Maximum Amount or DIP Loans.
34. ENTIRE AGREEMENT:	This DIP Term Sheet (until the effectiveness of the DIP Credit Agreement, if applicable) constitutes the entire agreement between the parties relating to the subject matter hereof.
35. AMENDMENTS, WAIVERS, ETC.:	No waiver or delay on the part of the DIP Lender in exercising any right or privilege hereunder will operate as a waiver hereof or thereof unless made in writing and delivered in accordance with the terms of this DIP Term Sheet. Any amendment to the terms of this DIP Term Sheet shall be made in writing and signed by the parties hereto.
36. ASSIGNMENT:	<p>The DIP Lender may assign this DIP Term Sheet or the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, and its rights and obligations hereunder, in whole or in part, to an affiliate, in its sole and absolute discretion</p> <p>Neither this DIP Term Sheet nor any right and obligation hereunder may be assigned by the Borrower or any DIP Guarantor.</p>
37. SEVERABILITY:	Any provision that is prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating the remaining provisions hereof or affecting the validity or enforceability of such provision in any other jurisdiction.
38. COUNTERPARTS AND SIGNATURES:	This DIP Term Sheet may be executed in any number of counterparts and by electronic transmission, each of which when executed and delivered shall be deemed to be an original, and all of which when taken together shall constitute one and the same

	instrument. Any party may execute this DIP Term Sheet by signing any counterpart of it.
39. NOTICES:	<p>Any notice, request or other communication hereunder to any of the parties shall be in writing and be well and sufficiently given if delivered personally or sent by electronic mail to the attention of the person as set forth below:</p> <p><u>(a) In the case of the DIP Loan Parties:</u></p> <p>Li-Cycle Holdings Corp. 66 Wellington St W Suite 53000 Toronto, ON M5K 1E6</p> <p>Attention: Bill Aziz Email: baziz@bluetreadvisors.com</p> <p><u>With a copy to:</u></p> <p>Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP 3 World Trade Center 175 Greenwich Street New York, NY 10007</p> <p>Attention: Andrea M. Basham, Madlyn Primoff and Allison Liff Andrea.Basham@Freshfields.com, Madlyn.Primoff@Freshfields.com and Allison.Liff@Freshfields.com</p> <p>And</p> <p>McCarthy Tétrault LLP 66 Wellington St W Suite 5300 Toronto, ON M5K 1E6</p> <p>Attention: Robert Hansen, Fraser Bourne Email: rhansen@mccarthy.ca, fbourne@mccarthy.ca</p> <p>And with a copy to the Monitor:</p> <p>Alvarez & Marsal Canada Inc. Royal Bank Plaza, South Tower 200 Bay Street, Suite 3501 Toronto, ON M5J 2J1</p> <p>Attention: Melanie MacKenzie & Joshua Nevsky Email: mmackenzie@alvarezandmarsal.com; jnevsky@alvarezandmarsal.com</p> <p>And with a copy to the Monitor's Counsel:</p> <p>Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP First Canadian Place</p>


	<p>100 King St. W Suite 6200 Toronto, ON M5X 1 B8</p> <p>Attention: Michael De Lellis & Martino Calvaruso Email: mdelellis@osler.com; mcalvaruso@osler.com</p> <p><u>(b) In the case of the DIP Lender:</u></p> <p>Glencore International AG Baarermattstrasse 3 P.O. Box 6341 Baar Switzerland</p> <p>Attention: General counsel Email: general.counsel@glencore.com</p> <p>Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP 767 5th Avenue New York, NY 010153</p> <p>Attention: David Avery-Gee; Matt Barr, Justin D. Lee, Mariel Cruz, Chase Bentley and Brendan Conley Email: David.Avery-Gee@weil.com; Matt.Barr@weil.com; Justin.d.Lee@weil.com; Mariel.Cruz@weil.com; Chase.Bentley@weil.com and Brendan.Conley@weil.com</p> <p>and</p> <p>Torys LLP 79 Wellington Street East Suite 3000 Toronto, ON M5K 1N2</p> <p>Attention: Scott Bomhof Email: sbomhof@torys.com</p> <p>Any such notice shall be deemed to be given and received, when received, unless received after 5:00 EST or on a day other than a Business Day, in which case the notice shall be deemed to be received the next Business Day.</p>
40. GOVERNING LAW:	Governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the Province of Ontario and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein.
41. CURRENT AND JUDGMENT CURRENCY:	<p>Unless otherwise specified herein, all dollar amounts are in the lawful currency of the United States of America. The Borrower shall pay to the DIP Lender all payments on account of principal and interest hereunder in lawful money of the United States of America.</p> <p>If in the recovery by the DIP Lender of any amount owing by the DIP Loan Parties hereunder in any currency, judgment can only be obtained in another currency and because of changes in the</p>

	exchange rate of such currencies between the date of judgment and payment in full of the amount of such judgment, the amount received by the DIP Lender is less than the recovery provided for under the judgment, the DIP Loan Parties shall immediately pay any such shortfall to the DIP Lender and such shortfall can be claimed by the DIP Lender against the DIP Loan Parties as an alternative or additional cause of action.
42. COUNSEL TO THE DIP LENDER:	Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP and Torys LLP

IN WITNESS HEREOF, the parties hereby execute this DIP Term Sheet as at the date first above mentioned.

BORROWER

LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP., as
Borrower


By: 

Name: Ajay Kochhar
Title: President and CEO

By: _____
Name:
Title:

GUARANTOR

LI-CYCLE CORP., as Guarantor


By: 

Name: Ajay Kochhar
Title: President and CEO

By: _____
Name:
Title:

GUARANTOR

LI-CYCLE AMERICAS CORP., as
Guarantor


By: 

Name: Ajay Kochhar
Title: President and CEO

By: _____
Name:
Title:

GUARANTOR

LI-CYCLE U.S. INC., as Guarantor


By: 

Name: Ajay Kochhar
Title: President and CEO

By: _____
Name:
Title:

GUARANTOR

LI-CYCLE INC., as Guarantor


By: 

Name: Ajay Kochhar
Title: President and CEO

By: _____
Name:
Title:

GUARANTOR

**LI-CYCLE NORTH AMERICA HUB,
INC., as Guarantor**

By: 

Name: Ajay Kochhar
Title: President and CEO

By: _____
Name:
Title:

DIP LENDER

GLENCORE INTERNATIONAL AG,
as DIP Lender

By: _____

Name: Adam Luckie

Title: Authorised Signatory

SCHEDULE "A"
FORM OF INTERCOMPANY LOAN

See attached.

[FORM OF]

DIP PROCEEDS INTERCOMPANY LOAN AGREEMENT

between

LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP.

(as Lender)

and

LI-CYCLE GERMANY GMBH

(as Borrower)

This **DIP LOAN PROCEEDS INTERCOMPANY LOAN AGREEMENT** (the "**Agreement**") is made on May [●], 2025 between:

- (1) **LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP.**, a business corporation existing under the laws of the Province of Ontario, Canada, with its registered office at 66 Wellington Street West, Suite 5300, Toronto, Ontario M5K 1E6, Canada, registered with the Ontario Business Registry under number 5051214 (the "**Lender**"); and
- (2) **LI-CYCLE GERMANY GMBH**, a limited liability company (*Gesellschaft mit beschränkter Haftung*) incorporated and existing under the laws of Germany, with its business address at Lange Göhren 4, 39171 Sülzetal OT Osterweddingen, Germany and registered with the commercial register (*Handelsregister*) of the local court (*Amtsgericht*) of Stendal under registration number HRB 32081 (the "**Borrower**").

The Lender and the Borrower are hereinafter referred to as the "**Parties**" and each a "**Party**".

PREAMBLE

- (1) Pursuant to the "Summary of Terms and Conditions for Debtor-in-Possession Financing" dated May 14, 2025, entered into between Glencore International AG (the "**DIP Lender**"), as lender, and the Lender, as borrower (the "**DIP Term Sheet**"), or (ii) if executed and delivered by the Lender at the request of the DIP Lender, a long-form debtor-in-possession credit agreement entered into between the DIP Lender, as lender, and the Lender, as borrower (the "**DIP Credit Agreement**"), the DIP Lender has agreed to provide debtor-in-possession financing to the Lender for the purpose of funding certain limited obligations of the Lender in connection with its proceedings under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* (Canada) (such financing, the "**DIP Facility**").
- (2) It is intended that certain portions of the proceeds of the DIP Facility will be loaned from the Lender to the Borrower to fund the Borrower's short-term liquidity needs, in accordance with the applicable Budget (as defined in the DIP Financing Agreement (as defined below)).
- (3) The Parties enter into this Agreement in order to document the on-lending of the relevant proceeds of the DIP Facility by the Lender to the Borrower.

The Parties agree the following:

1. DEFINED TERMS AND INTERPRETATIONS

1.1 Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meaning given to such terms in the DIP Financing Agreement.

1.2 In this Agreement:

"Business Day" means a day on which banks are open for general business in Toronto, Ontario, Canada and Baar, Switzerland.

"DIP Financing Agreement" means the DIP Term Sheet or, in the case of the execution of the DIP Credit Agreement, the DIP Credit Agreement.

"DIP Financing Interest" means the interest payable from time to time by the Lender on any DIP Loan drawn by the Lender under the DIP Financing Agreement and used for funding the liquidity needs of the Borrower in accordance with the Budget.

"DIP Loan" means any loan or advance that was made to the Lender by the DIP Lender under the DIP Financing Agreement.

"Maturity Date" has the meaning assigned to it in the DIP Financing Agreement.

"DIP Event of Default" means any event constituting an "Event of Default" under the DIP Financing Agreement.

1.3 A reference to any person in this Agreement includes such person's successors, transferees and assignees.

2. THE LOAN AND ITS PURPOSE

2.1 The Lender agrees to make available to the Borrower a loan in one or more instalments up to a total maximum amount of US\$1,500,000 (the **"Loan Facility"**). The Loan Facility may be made available by the Lender to the Borrower in multiple drawings in an aggregate amount not to exceed the Loan Facility on the dates set forth in the DIP Financing Agreement in each case in accordance with the Budget and on the terms and conditions contained in the DIP Financing Agreement. The loan advances made available by the Lender to the Borrower under the Loan Facility are hereinafter referred to as the **"Loans"** and each a **"Loan"**.

- 2.2** The proceeds of the Loan shall be applied by the Borrower solely in accordance with the Budget (subject to Permitted Variances) or as may otherwise be agreed to in writing by the DIP Lender, in its sole and absolute discretion, from time to time.
- 2.3** The Borrower will request utilization of the Loan Facility by delivery of a utilisation request to the Lender and the DIP Lender in writing (a "**Utilisation Request**"). Each Utilisation Request shall be substantially in the form set out in the Annex and contain (i) the proposed utilisation date (the "**Loan Utilisation Date**"), (ii) the principal amount of the Loan to be utilised (the "**Loan Principal Amount**"), (iii) a certification that the proceeds will be used in accordance with the relevant approved Budget and (iv) the proposed repayment date of the Loan to be utilised (the "**Loan Repayment Date**"). Upon acceptance of the relevant Utilization Request by the DIP Lender, the Lender or DIP Lender (on behalf of the Lender) will make the respective Loan available to the Borrower on the terms and conditions set out in the respective Utilisation Request and this Agreement.
- 2.4** If the Loan Utilisation Date is after the date on which the Lender receives funds under the DIP Financing Agreement, the funding of any Utilisation Request shall be subject to the following:
- (a) no DIP Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing;
 - (b) all conditions precedent for the Lender (in its capacity as a borrower under the DIP Financing Agreement) to obtain a DIP Loan shall have been satisfied by the Lender or waived by the DIP Lender (in its capacity as the lender under the DIP Financing Agreement); and
 - (c) the Lender shall have cash on hand from the proceeds of such DIP Loans in an amount not less than the aggregate principal amount of requested Loans.
- 2.5** The Loan Facility will be available from the Effective Date until five (5) Business Days prior to the Maturity Date. During this period, subject to the terms and conditions of the DIP Financing Agreement, the Borrower may utilize the Loan Facility from time to time up to, but in aggregate amount not exceeding, the total amount of the Loan Facility. Each Utilisation Request shall be delivered at least five (5) Business Days prior to the respective Loan Utilisation Date. The latest possible Loan Repayment Date shall be the Maturity Date.
- 2.6** The relevant Loan Principal Amount shall not exceed the amount required by the Borrower as set out in the applicable Budget delivered by the Lender to the DIP Lender in accordance with the DIP Financing Agreement. Unless the relevant Loan Principal Amount is equal to the amount of the corresponding availability under the Loan Facility, the Loan Principal Amount shall be equal to or an integral multiple of amounts to be agreed under the DIP Financing Agreement.
- 2.7** Each Loan shall be disbursed to the Borrower's bank account with IBAN [DE32 5022 0085 3460 6000 16]. The Loans may be disbursed by the DIP Lender making direct payments (on behalf of the Lender)

to the Borrower, if and to the extent that, pursuant to the terms of the DIP Financing Agreement, such direct payment to the Borrower is deemed a utilization of the DIP Facility in the corresponding amount by the Lender under the DIP Financing Agreement.

3. GENERAL LOAN TERMS

Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, the terms and conditions in relation to the Loans shall mirror, to the extent applicable and possible, the terms and conditions of the DIP Financing Agreement, whereas the Lender shall be regarded as "DIP Lender" and the Borrower shall be regarded as the "Borrower" under the DIP Financing Agreement. To the extent possible, the Loan shall be treated in all respects as conduit loan from the DIP Lender through the Lender to the Borrower.

4. INTEREST

4.1 All amounts outstanding under the Loan Facility shall bear interest at a rate equal to 11.3% *per annum*, which interest shall be paid solely in kind by capitalizing the amount thereof to principal on each one-month anniversary of the date of the Effective Date (the "**Interest**").

4.2 During the continuation of a DIP Event of Default, the Loans will bear interest at an additional 2.00% *per annum*, which shall be payable on demand.

4.3 The Interest on each Loan shall accrue on each advance of the Loans from and after the date of advance of such Loan to the Borrower to, but excluding, the date of repayment and shall be calculated and compounded on a monthly basis on the principal amount of such Loan and any overdue interest remaining unpaid from time to time and on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in a year of 365 days.

5. SCHEDULED REPAYMENT

The Borrower will repay each Loan together with all unpaid Interest accrued thereon on the Maturity Date in accordance with the DIP Financing Agreement.

6. PREPAYMENT

6.1 The Borrower may terminate this Agreement and voluntarily prepay the outstanding amounts of the Loans in whole or in part, together with any Interest accrued thereon, at any time subject to a notice period of five (5) Business Days (or such shorter period as the Borrower and the Lender may agree) without premium or penalty, provided that the Parties are not prohibited from proceeding with such termination and prepayment under the DIP Financing Agreement.

6.2 Prepaid Loans or portions thereof may not be re-borrowed.

7. REMEDIES

- 7.1** Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of a DIP Event of Default (and provided the DIP Event of Default is not cured or waived in accordance with the terms of the DIP Financing Agreement), the Lender shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement with immediate effect and declare each of the Loans then outstanding to be immediately due and payable in whole or in part.
- 7.2** Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of a DIP Event of Default (and provided the DIP Event of Default is not cured or waived in accordance with the terms of the DIP Financing Agreement), the Lender (on behalf of the DIP Lender) shall be entitled to enforce any security granted to the DIP Lender by the Borrower and to exercise all rights and remedies in respect of such security; provided that, for the avoidance of doubt, this Section 7.2 shall not limit any of the rights and remedies of the DIP Lender under the DIP Financing Agreement upon the occurrence and during the continuance of a DIP Event of Default.
- 7.3** After (i) the occurrence and during the continuance of a DIP Event of Default and the termination of the DIP Facility by the DIP Lender in accordance with the DIP Financing Agreement, and (ii) the Court having issued an order authorizing the DIP Lender to do so (such order sought by the DIP Lender on not less than three (3) Business Days' notice to the Lender after the occurrence and during the continuance of a DIP Event of Default), the DIP Lender shall have the right to instruct the Lender to, and the Lender acting at the direction of the DIP Lender shall, pursue all remedies against the Borrower that are available to the Lender as a lender in connection with the Loans and this Agreement and applicable law.
- 7.4** No failure or delay by the Lender or the DIP Lender in exercising any of its rights hereunder or at law shall be deemed a waiver of any kind, and the Lender or the DIP Lender, as applicable, shall be entitled to exercise such rights in accordance with this Agreement or the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, at any time.

8. PAYMENTS

- 8.1** All payments made by the Borrower hereunder shall be made in US dollars without set-off or counterclaim and free and clear of and without deductions of, or withholding of any taxes or any charges whatsoever present or future. In the event the Borrower is required by law to make any such deduction or withholding from any payment hereunder, then the Borrower shall promptly notify the Lender and forthwith pay to the Lender such additional amount necessary to ensure that the Lender receives and retains (free from any liability relating to deduction or withholding) a net amount which, after deduction or withholding, is equal to the full amount which the Lender would have received, had no such deduction or withholding been made.
- 8.2** In the event of the Lender receiving payments or being credited with amounts in a currency other than the currency in which the payment is owed by the Borrower (be it in cash, as a remittance or by utilizing cash deposits or the like), the Lender will credit the Borrower with the amount of such currency, which it may

obtain by exchanging such currency at the spot rate of exchange in the foreign exchange market at the relevant date.

8.3 In case of doubt, the Lender is authorised to apply any payment received from the Borrower, in its discretion, in or towards satisfaction of any sum due and owed to the Lender hereunder.

8.4 If any payment falls due hereunder on a day, which is not a Business Day, the Borrower shall effect payment on the next Business Day in the same month (if there is one) or the preceding Business Day (if there is not).

9. QUALIFIED SUBORDINATION

9.1 All present and future claims of the Lender under the Loan Agreement, including but not limited to repayment and interest ("**Subordinated Claims**"), shall, in accordance with section 39 para. 2 German Insolvency Code (*Insolvenzordnung*, "InsO"), be subordinated to present and future claims of other creditors of the Borrower pursuant to section 39 para. 1 nos. 1 to 5 InsO, however ranking before the capital restitution claims (*Kapitalrückgewähransprüche*) of the Borrower's shareholders (section 199 sentence 2 InsO).

9.2 The Lender undertakes vis-à-vis the Borrower not to assert and enforce Subordinated Claims insofar as and as long as payment on the Subordinated Claims would result in or intensify grounds for opening of insolvency proceedings pursuant section 17 or section 19 InsO.

9.3 Irrespective of whether insolvency proceedings have been initiated, payments on the Subordinated Claims can only be made from freely available assets (*ungebundenes Vermögen*), i.e. from current and/or future (i) annual net incomes (*Jahresüberschüsse*), (ii) balance sheet profits (*Bilanzgewinne*), (iii) a liquidation surplus (*Liquidationsüberschüsse*) and/or (iv) any other assets which exceed the liabilities of the Borrower (*sonstiges freies Vermögen*).

9.4 The effectiveness of this Subordination Agreement shall not be affected by any change in the legal form or ownership of the Borrower. This Subordination Agreement can and may only be terminated (kündigen), cancelled (aufheben) or restricted (beschränken) by the Lender and the Borrower outside of a crisis of the Borrower, i.e. if and to the extent such termination, cancellation or restriction does not cause nor threaten to cause an over-indebtedness (section 19 InsO) or illiquidity (section 17 InsO) of the Borrower.

9.5 This subordination agreement shall not constitute a waiver of the Subordinated Claims by the Lender, in particular shall the claims under the Loan Agreement accrue interest also in a period in which the Borrower is not obligated to repay the Subordinated Claims due to the subordination agreement.

10. RELATIONSHIP TO DIP FINANCING AGREEMENT; ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Agreement, the Lender and the Borrower agree that:

- (a) each of their rights and obligations under this Agreement are, at all times, subject to the terms of the DIP Financing Agreement;
- (b) in the event of any conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the terms of the DIP Financing Agreement, the terms of the DIP Financing Agreement shall control and take precedence over the terms of this Agreement;
- (c) no payment of interest or other distribution in relation to the Loans nor any repayment or prepayment of any principal amount or any other payment in relation to the Loans shall be made if it would constitute a breach of the terms of the DIP Financing Agreement; and
- (d) to the extent of any conflict or inconsistency between this Agreement and the DIP Order, the DIP Order shall govern.

11. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 11.1** Other than as collateral security for the DIP Facility, the rights and obligations of the Lender in relation to the Loan may be assigned and/or transferred (whether in whole or in part) to third parties only with the prior consent of the DIP Lender.
- 11.2** No failure to exercise or delay in exercising on the part of the Lender, any right, remedy or power hereunder shall operate as a waiver nor shall any single or partial exercise preclude further or other exercise of any right, remedy or power.
- 11.3** Any amendments to this Agreement (including amendments to this Section 10.3) shall be valid only if made in writing, unless mandatory law requires another form.
- 11.4** Any notice, request or other communication to be made hereunder to any of the Parties shall be made in writing and be well and sufficiently given if delivered personally or sent by electronic mail to the attention of the person as set forth below:

- (a) In the case of the Lender:

Li-Cycle Holdings Corp.
66 Wellington St W
Suite 5300
Toronto, ON M5K 1E6
Attention: Bill Aziz
Email: baziz@bluetreeadvisors.com

With a copy to:

Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP
3 World Trade Center
175 Greenwich Street
New York, NY 10007

Attention: Andrea M. Basham, Madlyn Primoff and Allison Liff
Email: Andrea.Basham@Freshfields.com, Madlyn.Primoff@Freshfields.com,
Allison.Liff@Freshfields.com

And

McCarthy Tétrault LLP
66 Wellington St W
Suite 5300
Toronto, ON M5K 1E6

Attention: Robert Hansen, Fraser Bourne
Email: rhansen@mccarthy.ca, fbourne@mccarthy.ca

(b) In the case of the Borrower:

Li-Cycle Germany GMBH
Lange Göhren 4, 39171 Sülzetal OT Osterweddingen, Germany
Attention: Bill Aziz
Email: baziz@bluetreadvisors.com

With a copy to:

Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP
3 World Trade Center
175 Greenwich Street
New York, NY 10007

Attention: Andrea M. Basham, Madlyn Primoff and Allison Liff
Email: Andrea.Basham@Freshfields.com, Madlyn.Primoff@Freshfields.com,
Allison.Liff@Freshfields.com

And

McCarthy Tétrault LLP
66 Wellington St W
Suite 5300
Toronto, ON M5K 1E6

Attention: Robert Hansen, Fraser Bourne
Email: rhansen@mccarthy.ca, fbourne@mccarthy.ca

Any such notice shall be deemed to be given and received, when received, unless received after 5:00 EST or on a day other than a Business Day, in which case the notice shall be deemed to be received the next Business Day.

12. GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of Ontario and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein. Any action or proceeding arising out of or based upon or relating to this Agreement, or the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby may be instituted in the courts of the Province of Ontario, and each party irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive

jurisdiction of such courts in any such action or proceeding. The parties irrevocably and unconditionally waive any objection to the venue of any action or proceeding in such courts and irrevocably waive and agree not to plead or claim in any such court that any such action or proceeding brought in any such court has been brought in an inconvenient forum. Nothing herein or in any security document or agreement granted in connection with this shall affect any right that the Lender may otherwise have to bring any action or proceeding relating to this Agreement or any agreement or document pursuant to this Agreement against the Borrower or its properties in the courts of any jurisdiction.

13. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in any number of copies which taken together shall constitute the same Agreement.

14. PARTIAL INVALIDITY

If any provision of this Agreement should be or become invalid or unenforceable in whole or in part, this shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof. The invalid or unenforceable provision shall be replaced by such valid and enforceable provision or agreement that best meets the intended purpose of the provision required to be replaced. The same shall apply in the event that this Agreement does not contain a provision that it needs to contain in order to achieve the intended economic purpose as expressed herein.

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Annex
Utilization Request

From: **LI-CYCLE GERMANY GMBH**
(the "**Borrower**")

To: **LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP.**
(the "**Lender**")

With copy to : Kristave AG

Dated: [], 2025

1. We refer to the loan agreement (the "**Loan Agreement**") between ourselves as Borrower and you as Lender dated May [●], 2025 whereby a loan facility has been made available.
2. We wish to borrow a Loan on the following terms:

Loan Utilization Date: [●]

Loan Principal Amount: [●]

Loan Repayment Date: [●]
3. The proceeds of this Loan should be credited to the bank account of the Borrower with [IBAN DE32 5022 0085 3460 6000 16] and applied solely in accordance with the relevant approved Budget in accordance with the terms and conditions of the DIP Facility.

Yours faithfully,

[●]

SIGNATORIES

LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP.

as Lender

By: _____

Name: Ajay Kochhar

Title: Chief Executive Officer

By: _____

Name: Bill Aziz

Title: Chief Restructuring Officer

LI-CYCLE GERMANY GMBH

as Borrower

By: _____

Name: Elewout Depicker

Title: Managing Director

By: _____

Name: Frank Pommerenke

Title: Managing Director

[FORM OF]

DIP PROCEEDS INTERCOMPANY LOAN AGREEMENT

between

LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP.

(as Lender)

and

LI-CYCLE EUROPE AG

(as Borrower)

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- (2) **LI-CYCLE EUROPE AG**, a stock corporation (*Aktiengesellschaft*) established under the laws of Switzerland with its corporate seat in Baar, Switzerland and its business address at Neuhofstrasse 8, 6340 Baar, Switzerland and registered in the commercial register of the canton of Zug, Switzerland under company registration number CHE-276.781.098 (the "**Borrower**").

The Lender and the Borrower are hereinafter referred to as the "**Parties**" and each a "**Party**".

PREAMBLE

- (1) Pursuant to the "Summary of Terms and Conditions for Debtor-in-Possession Financing" dated May 14, 2025, entered into between Glencore International AG (the "**DIP Lender**"), as lender, and the Lender, as borrower (the "**DIP Term Sheet**"), or (ii) if executed and delivered by the Lender at the request of the DIP Lender, a long-form debtor-in-possession credit agreement entered into between the DIP Lender, as lender, and the Lender, as borrower (the "**DIP Credit Agreement**"), the DIP Lender has agreed to provide debtor-in-possession financing to the Lender for the purpose of funding certain limited obligations of the Lender in connection with its proceedings under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* (Canada) (such financing, the "**DIP Facility**").
- (2) It is intended that certain portions of the proceeds of the DIP Facility will be loaned from the Lender to the Borrower to fund the Borrower's short-term liquidity needs, in accordance with the applicable Budget (as defined in the DIP Financing Agreement (as defined below)).
- (3) The Parties enter into this Agreement in order to document the on-lending of the relevant proceeds of the DIP Facility by the Lender to the Borrower.

The Parties agree the following:

1. DEFINED TERMS AND INTERPRETATIONS

1.1 Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meaning given to such terms in the DIP Financing Agreement.

1.2 In this Agreement:

"Business Day" means a day on which banks are open for general business in Toronto, Ontario, Canada and Baar, Switzerland.

"DIP Financing Agreement" means the DIP Term Sheet or, in the case of the execution of the DIP Credit Agreement, the DIP Credit Agreement.

"DIP Financing Interest" means the interest payable from time to time by the Lender on any DIP Loan drawn by the Lender under the DIP Financing Agreement and used for funding the liquidity needs of the Borrower in accordance with the Budget.

"DIP Loan" means any loan or advance that was made to the Lender by the DIP Lender under the DIP Financing Agreement.

"Maturity Date" has the meaning assigned to it in the DIP Financing Agreement.

"DIP Event of Default" means any event constituting an "Event of Default" under the DIP Financing Agreement.

1.3 A reference to any person in this Agreement includes such person's successors, transferees and assignees.

2. THE LOAN AND ITS PURPOSE

2.1 The Lender agrees to make available to the Borrower a loan in one or more instalments up to a total maximum amount of US\$1,500,000 (the **"Loan Facility"**). The Loan Facility may be made available by the Lender to the Borrower in multiple drawings in an aggregate amount not to exceed the Loan Facility on the dates set forth in the DIP Financing Agreement in each case in accordance with the Budget and on the terms and conditions contained in the DIP Financing Agreement. The loan advances made available by the Lender to the Borrower under the Loan Facility are hereinafter referred to as the **"Loans"** and each a **"Loan"**.

- 2.2** The proceeds of the Loan shall be applied by the Borrower solely in accordance with the Budget (subject to Permitted Variances) or as may otherwise be agreed to in writing by the DIP Lender, in its sole and absolute discretion, from time to time.
- 2.3** The Borrower will request utilization of the Loan Facility by delivery of a utilisation request to the Lender and the DIP Lender in writing (a "**Utilisation Request**"). Each Utilisation Request shall be substantially in the form set out in the Annex and contain (i) the proposed utilisation date (the "**Loan Utilisation Date**"), (ii) the principal amount of the Loan to be utilised (the "**Loan Principal Amount**"), (iii) a certification that the proceeds will be used in accordance with the relevant approved Budget and (iv) the proposed repayment date of the Loan to be utilised (the "**Loan Repayment Date**"). Upon acceptance of the relevant Utilization Request by the DIP Lender, the Lender or DIP Lender (on behalf of the Lender) will make the respective Loan available to the Borrower on the terms and conditions set out in the respective Utilisation Request and this Agreement.
- 2.4** If the Loan Utilisation Date is after the date on which the Lender receives funds under the DIP Financing Agreement, the funding of any Utilisation Request shall be subject to the following:
- (a) no DIP Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing;
 - (b) all conditions precedent for the Lender (in its capacity as a borrower under the DIP Financing Agreement) to obtain a DIP Loan shall have been satisfied by the Lender or waived by the DIP Lender (in its capacity as the lender under the DIP Financing Agreement); and
 - (c) the Lender shall have cash on hand from the proceeds of such DIP Loans in an amount not less than the aggregate principal amount of requested Loans.
- 2.5** The Loan Facility will be available from the Effective Date until five (5) Business Days prior to the Maturity Date. During this period, subject to the terms and conditions of the DIP Financing Agreement, the Borrower may utilize the Loan Facility from time to time up to, but in aggregate amount not exceeding, the total amount of the Loan Facility. Each Utilisation Request shall be delivered at least five (5) Business Days prior to the respective Loan Utilisation Date. The latest possible Loan Repayment Date shall be the Maturity Date.
- 2.6** The relevant Loan Principal Amount shall not exceed the amount required by the Borrower as set out in the applicable Budget delivered by the Lender to the DIP Lender in accordance with the DIP Financing Agreement. Unless the relevant Loan Principal Amount is equal to the amount of the corresponding availability under the Loan Facility, the Loan Principal Amount shall be equal to or an integral multiple of amounts to be agreed under the DIP Financing Agreement.
- 2.7** Each Loan shall be disbursed to the Borrower's bank account with IBAN [●]. The Loans may be disbursed by the DIP Lender making direct payments (on behalf of the Lender) to the Borrower, if and to the extent

that, pursuant to the terms of the DIP Financing Agreement, such direct payment to the Borrower is deemed a utilization of the DIP Facility in the corresponding amount by the Lender under the DIP Financing Agreement.

3. GENERAL LOAN TERMS

Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, the terms and conditions in relation to the Loans shall mirror, to the extent applicable and possible, the terms and conditions of the DIP Financing Agreement, whereas the Lender shall be regarded as "DIP Lender" and the Borrower shall be regarded as the "Borrower" under the DIP Financing Agreement. To the extent possible, the Loan shall be treated in all respects as conduit loan from the DIP Lender through the Lender to the Borrower.

4. INTEREST

4.1 All amounts outstanding under the Loan Facility shall bear interest at a rate equal to 11.3% *per annum*, which interest shall be paid solely in kind by capitalizing the amount thereof to principal on each one-month anniversary of the date of the Effective Date (the "**Interest**").

4.2 During the continuation of a DIP Event of Default, the Loans will bear interest at an additional 2.00% *per annum*, which shall be payable on demand.

4.3 The Interest on each Loan shall accrue on each advance of the Loans from and after the date of advance of such Loan to the Borrower to, but excluding, the date of repayment and shall be calculated and compounded on a monthly basis on the principal amount of such Loan and any overdue interest remaining unpaid from time to time and on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in a year of 365 days.

5. SCHEDULED REPAYMENT

The Borrower will repay each Loan together with all unpaid Interest accrued thereon on the Maturity Date in accordance with the DIP Financing Agreement.

6. PREPAYMENT

6.1 The Borrower may terminate this Agreement and voluntarily prepay the outstanding amounts of the Loans in whole or in part, together with any Interest accrued thereon, at any time subject to a notice period of five (5) Business Days (or such shorter period as the Borrower and the Lender may agree) without premium or penalty, provided that the Parties are not prohibited from proceeding with such termination and prepayment under the DIP Financing Agreement.

6.2 Prepaid Loans or portions thereof may not be re-borrowed.

7. REMEDIES

- 7.1** Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of a DIP Event of Default (and provided the DIP Event of Default is not cured or waived in accordance with the terms of the DIP Financing Agreement), the Lender shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement with immediate effect and declare each of the Loans then outstanding to be immediately due and payable in whole or in part.
- 7.2** Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of a DIP Event of Default (and provided the DIP Event of Default is not cured or waived in accordance with the terms of the DIP Financing Agreement), the Lender (on behalf of the DIP Lender) shall be entitled to enforce any security granted to the DIP Lender by the Borrower and to exercise all rights and remedies in respect of such security; provided that, for the avoidance of doubt, this Section 7.2 shall not limit any of the rights and remedies of the DIP Lender under the DIP Financing Agreement upon the occurrence and during the continuance of a DIP Event of Default.
- 7.3** After (i) the occurrence and during the continuance of a DIP Event of Default and the termination of the DIP Facility by the DIP Lender in accordance with the DIP Financing Agreement, and (ii) the Court having issued an order authorizing the DIP Lender to do so (such order sought by the DIP Lender on not less than three (3) Business Days' notice to the Lender after the occurrence and during the continuance of a DIP Event of Default), the DIP Lender shall have the right to instruct the Lender to, and the Lender acting at the direction of the DIP Lender shall, pursue all remedies against the Borrower that are available to the Lender as a lender in connection with the Loans and this Agreement and applicable law.
- 7.4** No failure or delay by the Lender or the DIP Lender in exercising any of its rights hereunder or at law shall be deemed a waiver of any kind, and the Lender or the DIP Lender, as applicable, shall be entitled to exercise such rights in accordance with this Agreement or the DIP Credit Agreement, as applicable, at any time.

8. PAYMENTS

- 8.1** All payments made by the Borrower hereunder shall be made in US dollars without set-off or counterclaim and free and clear of and without deductions of, or withholding of any taxes or any charges whatsoever present or future. In the event the Borrower is required by law to make any such deduction or withholding from any payment hereunder, then the Borrower shall promptly notify the Lender and forthwith pay to the Lender such additional amount necessary to ensure that the Lender receives and retains (free from any liability relating to deduction or withholding) a net amount which, after deduction or withholding, is equal to the full amount which the Lender would have received, had no such deduction or withholding been made.
- 8.2** In the event of the Lender receiving payments or being credited with amounts in a currency other than the currency in which the payment is owed by the Borrower (be it in cash, as a remittance or by utilizing cash deposits or the like), the Lender will credit the Borrower with the amount of such currency, which it may

obtain by exchanging such currency at the spot rate of exchange in the foreign exchange market at the relevant date.

- 8.3** In case of doubt, the Lender is authorised to apply any payment received from the Borrower, in its discretion, in or towards satisfaction of any sum due and owed to the Lender hereunder.
- 8.4** If any payment falls due hereunder on a day, which is not a Business Day, the Borrower shall effect payment on the next Business Day in the same month (if there is one) or the preceding Business Day (if there is not).

9. RELATIONSHIP TO DIP FINANCING AGREEMENT; ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Agreement, the Lender and the Borrower agree that:

- (a) each of their rights and obligations under this Agreement are, at all times, subject to the terms of the DIP Financing Agreement;
- (b) in the event of any conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the terms of the DIP Financing Agreement, the terms of the DIP Financing Agreement shall control and take precedence over the terms of this Agreement;
- (c) no payment of interest or other distribution in relation to the Loans nor any repayment or prepayment of any principal amount or any other payment in relation to the Loans shall be made if it would constitute a breach of the terms of the DIP Financing Agreement; and
- (d) to the extent of any conflict or inconsistency between this Agreement and the DIP Order, the DIP Order shall govern.

10. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 10.1** Other than as collateral security for the DIP Facility, the rights and obligations of the Lender in relation to the Loan may be assigned and/or transferred (whether in whole or in part) to third parties only with the prior consent of the DIP Lender.
- 10.2** No failure to exercise or delay in exercising on the part of the Lender, any right, remedy or power hereunder shall operate as a waiver nor shall any single or partial exercise preclude further or other exercise of any right, remedy or power.
- 10.3** Any amendments to this Agreement (including amendments to this Section 10.3) shall be valid only if made in writing, unless mandatory law requires another form.

10.4 Any notice, request or other communication to be made hereunder to any of the Parties shall be made in writing and be well and sufficiently given if delivered personally or sent by electronic mail to the attention of the person as set forth below:

(a) In the case of the Lender:

Li-Cycle Holdings Corp.
66 Wellington St W
Suite 5300
Toronto, ON M5K 1E6
Attention: Bill Aziz
Email: baziz@bluetreadvisors.com

With a copy to:

Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP
3 World Trade Center
175 Greenwich Street
New York, NY 10007

Attention: Andrea M. Basham, Madlyn Primoff and Allison Liff
Email: Andrea.Basham@Freshfields.com, Madlyn.Primoff@Freshfields.com,
Allison.Liff@Freshfields.com

And

McCarthy Tétrault LLP
66 Wellington St W
Suite 5300
Toronto, ON M5K 1E6

Attention: Robert Hansen, Fraser Bourne
Email: rhansen@mccarthy.ca, fbourne@mccarthy.ca

(b) In the case of the Borrower:

Li-Cycle Europe AG
Neuhofstrasse 8, 6340 Baar, Switzerland
Attention: [●]
Email: [●]

With a copy to:

Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP
3 World Trade Center
175 Greenwich Street
New York, NY 10007

Attention: Andrea M. Basham, Madlyn Primoff and Allison Liff
Email: Andrea.Basham@Freshfields.com, Madlyn.Primoff@Freshfields.com,
Allison.Liff@Freshfields.com

And

McCarthy Tétrault LLP
66 Wellington St W
Suite 5300
Toronto, ON M5K 1E6

Attention: Robert Hansen, Fraser Bourne

Email: rhansen@mccarthy.ca, fbourne@mccarthy.ca

Any such notice shall be deemed to be given and received, when received, unless received after 5:00 EST or on a day other than a Business Day, in which case the notice shall be deemed to be received the next Business Day.

11. GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of Ontario and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein. Any action or proceeding arising out of or based upon or relating to this Agreement, or the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby may be instituted in the courts of the Province of Ontario, and each party irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of such courts in any such action or proceeding. The parties irrevocably and unconditionally waive any objection to the venue of any action or proceeding in such courts and irrevocably waive and agree not to plead or claim in any such court that any such action or proceeding brought in any such court has been brought in an inconvenient forum. Nothing herein or in any security document or agreement granted in connection with this shall affect any right that the Lender may otherwise have to bring any action or proceeding relating to this Agreement or any agreement or document pursuant to this Agreement against the Borrower or its properties in the courts of any jurisdiction.

12. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in any number of copies which taken together shall constitute the same Agreement.

13. PARTIAL INVALIDITY

If any provision of this Agreement should be or become invalid or unenforceable in whole or in part, this shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof. The invalid or unenforceable provision shall be replaced by such valid and enforceable provision or agreement that best meets the intended purpose of the provision required to be replaced. The same shall apply in the event that this Agreement does not contain a provision that it needs to contain in order to achieve the intended economic purpose as expressed herein.

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Annex
Utilization Request

From: **LI-CYCLE EUROPE AG**
(the "**Borrower**")

To: **LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP.**
(the "**Lender**")

With copy to : Kristave AG

Dated: [], 2025

1. We refer to the loan agreement (the "**Loan Agreement**") between ourselves as Borrower and you as Lender dated May [●], 2025 whereby a loan facility has been made available.
2. We wish to borrow a Loan on the following terms:

Loan Utilization Date: [●]

Loan Principal Amount: [●]

Loan Repayment Date: [●]
3. The proceeds of this Loan should be credited to the bank account of the Borrower with [●] and applied solely in accordance with the relevant approved Budget in accordance with the terms and conditions of the DIP Facility.

Yours faithfully,

[●]

SIGNATORIES

LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP.

as Lender

By: _____

Name: Ajay Kochhar

Title: Chief Executive Officer

By: _____

Name: Bill Aziz

Title: Chief Restructuring Officer

LI-CYCLE EUROPE AG

as Borrower

By: _____

Name:

Title:

By: _____

Name:

Title:

SCHEDULE “B”
BUDGET
(Part A and Part B)

See attached.

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Accelerated Process Cash Flow (Excl. EMEA)

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\$ in USD Thousands	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10			
For the Week Ended:	5/16/2025	5/23/2025	5/30/2025	6/6/2025	6/13/2025	6/20/2025	6/27/2025	7/4/2025	7/11/2025	7/18/2025	Thereafter	Total	Notes
Cash Inflows													
Product Sales	203	467	-	800	-	27	3	-	-	58	-	1,559	Note 1
AR Recovery	-	-	-	-	-	128	-	-	-	-	165	293	
Total Cash Inflows	203	467	-	800	-	154	3	-	-	58	165	1,852	
Spoke Operating Disbursements													
People Costs	(30)	(30)	(30)	(19)	(19)	(19)	(39)	(50)	(39)	(39)	(39)	(354)	
Rent & Leases	(64)	-	(365)	-	-	-	-	(365)	-	-	-	(794)	Note 2
Projected AP Payments	-	(30)	(188)	(262)	(74)	(74)	(115)	(115)	(115)	(115)	-	(1,085)	
Existing AP Payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total Spoke Operating Disbursements	(94)	(60)	(583)	(281)	(93)	(93)	(154)	(529)	(154)	(154)	(39)	(2,234)	
Hub Holding Cost Disbursements													
People Costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Rent & Leases	(1,059)	(7)	(263)	(7)	-	-	-	(253)	-	-	-	(1,590)	Note 3
Winddown Costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Projected AP Payments	(850)	-	(23)	(154)	(48)	(54)	(48)	(48)	(48)	(48)	-	(1,321)	Note 4
Existing AP Payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total Hub Holding Costs	(1,909)	(7)	(286)	(161)	(48)	(54)	(48)	(301)	(48)	(48)	-	(2,911)	
Overhead Disbursements													
People Costs	(64)	(227)	(64)	(227)	(64)	(227)	(64)	(227)	(64)	(227)	(321)	(1,776)	
Rent & Leases	-	-	-	(20)	-	-	-	(20)	-	-	-	(40)	
Projected AP Payments	(39)	-	(50)	(123)	(50)	(119)	(67)	(60)	(67)	(167)	(330)	(1,072)	Note 5
Existing AP Payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total Overhead Disbursements	(104)	(227)	(114)	(370)	(114)	(346)	(131)	(307)	(131)	(394)	(651)	(2,887)	
Total Disbursements	(2,107)	(295)	(983)	(812)	(255)	(494)	(332)	(1,137)	(332)	(596)	(689)	(8,032)	
Net Operating Cash Flow	(1,904)	173	(983)	(12)	(255)	(339)	(329)	(1,137)	(332)	(537)	(524)	(6,181)	
Non-Operating Disbursements													
Professional Fees	(993)	(791)	(353)	(599)	(390)	(429)	(328)	(529)	(620)	(482)	(1,052)	(6,567)	Note 6
Asset Sale Success Fee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(700)	(700)	Note 7
Deposits	(300)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(300)	Note 8
D&O Run-Off & Side A Policy	(3,288)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(3,288)	Note 9
Winddown Costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(500)	(500)	Note 10
KERP / Advisory Fees / ESA / Vacation Pay	(1,675)	(58)	(50)	-	-	-	(50)	-	-	-	-	(1,833)	Note 11
Total Non-Operating Disbursements	(6,256)	(849)	(403)	(599)	(390)	(429)	(378)	(529)	(620)	(482)	(2,252)	(13,189)	
Net Cash Flow	(8,160)	(676)	(1,386)	(611)	(645)	(769)	(708)	(1,667)	(953)	(1,019)	(2,776)	(19,369)	

Liquidity Summary												
Opening Cash Balance (Excl. EMEA)	10,601	2,441	1,765	378	(233)	(878)	(1,647)	(2,354)	(4,021)	(4,974)	(5,992)	10,601
Net Cash Flow	(8,160)	(676)	(1,386)	(611)	(645)	(769)	(708)	(1,667)	(953)	(1,019)	(2,776)	(19,369)
Ending Cash Balance (Excl. EMEA)	2,441	1,765	378	(233)	(878)	(1,647)	(2,354)	(4,021)	(4,974)	(5,992)	(8,768)	(8,768)
Risk Adjustment	(203)	(467)	-	(800)	-	(154)	(3)	-	-	(58)	(165)	(1,852)
Risk Adjusted Cash Position without Financing	1,885	741	(645)	(2,057)	(2,702)	(3,625)	(4,336)	(6,002)	(6,955)	(8,032)	(10,620)	(10,620)

Notes

- 1 Includes the sale of on-hand black mass and shredded metal, based on commercial sales forecasts
- 2 Includes monthly payments for the Arizona and Alabama Spoke and Warehouse. Rent and leases for the week ended 5/16/2025 relate half month payment of the Arizona Warehouse lease post filing and May rent was not paid on time
- 3 The 5/16/2025 outflow includes the full payment of Hub property taxes and payment on the Hub leases for the period between filing and May 31, 2025
- 4 Includes the payment of builders risk insurance for the week ended 5/16/2025 to insurance all equipment held on the hub site and stored in the hub warehouse
- 5 Reflective of Board of Directors and Special Committees, ongoing corporate IT/Finance/HR related costs
- 6 Includes Freshfields, McCarthy's, A&M Corporate Finance, IP Counsel, A&M Monitor fees and associated counsel (Oslers/Skadden), CRO, and CFO fees. Refer to the Rest. Prof Fees (Weekly) tab for vendor by vendor detail
- 7 Includes success fees for Blue Tree Advisors (\$500k) and Maplebriar Holdings (\$200k)
- 8 Relates to an estimate for potential deposits which may be required for certain critical vendors (i.e. utilities, security) for the duration of the CCAA process.
- 9 Inclusive of a 6-year run off policy and a one year Side A policy
- 10 Reflective of estimated wind down costs for the North American entities following transaction closing of an asset scope inclusive of the Hub, Spokes, and IP
- 11 Inclusive of KERP (19 individuals at the corporate level including C-Suite and select key employees within finance/legal/IT/HR and 6 individuals at the operations/commercial level), accrued vacation for US employees, and ongoing advisory fees for the former CFO and CEO

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EMEA -Accelerated Cash Flow by Entity
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Li-Cycle Europe AG - Cash Flow (Consolidated)												Total		Notes
Week Ended:		5/16/2025	5/23/2025	5/30/2025	6/6/2025	6/13/2025	6/20/2025	6/27/2025	7/4/2025	7/11/2025	7/18/2025	Thereafter		
Revenue, Intake & Refining														
Product Sales														
Product Sales		376,191	235,810	867,188	180,000	39,550	49,482	34,518	414,689	-	417,356	418,423	3,033,206	
AR Collection		81,069	-	-	-	-	-	391,440	-	-	-	-	472,509	
Total		457,260	235,810	867,188	180,000	39,550	49,482	425,958	414,689	-	417,356		3,505,715	Note 1
Intake Revenue & Cost														
Tipping Fees		-	99,221	-	96,758	-	96,758	-	119,100	-	119,100		530,935	Note 2
Refining Costs														
Remondis		-	(250,000)	-	(68,791)	-	(68,791)	-	(68,791)	-	(68,791)	(69,774)	(594,938)	Note 3
Polblume		(60,590)	-	(60,590)	-	(60,590)	-	(60,590)	-	(60,590)	-	(60,590)	(363,540)	Note 4
Total		(60,590)	(250,000)	(60,590)	(68,791)	(60,590)	(68,791)	(60,590)	(68,791)	(60,590)	(68,791)	(130,364)	(958,478)	
Total Revenue, Intake & Refining		396,670	85,030	806,598	207,966	(21,040)	77,448	365,368	464,997	(60,590)	467,665	(130,364)	1,003,445	
Li-Cycle Europe AG														
People Costs		(11,926)	(11,926)	(164,290)	(11,926)	(11,926)	(11,926)	(164,290)	(11,926)	(11,926)	(11,926)	(164,290)	(588,278)	
Existing AP Payments		(61,771)	(61,771)	(61,771)	(61,771)	(61,771)	(61,771)	(29,036)	-	-	-	-	(399,662)	Note 5
Go-Forward Overhead Costs		-	-	-	-	-	-	(22,735)	(21,771)	(21,771)	(21,771)	-	(88,047)	
Winddown Costs		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(200,000)	(200,000)	Note 6
Restricted Cash Release		-	1,444,444	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,444,444	Note 7
Total		(73,697)	1,370,748	(226,061)	(73,697)	(73,697)	(73,697)	(216,061)	(33,697)	(33,697)	(33,697)		168,457	
Germany GmbH Costs														
People Costs		(12,601)	(12,601)	(240,672)	(12,601)	(12,601)	(12,601)	(240,672)	(12,601)	(12,601)	(12,601)	(240,672)	(822,821)	Note 8
Rent & Leases		(118,000)	-	(166,049)	-	-	-	(166,049)	-	-	-	-	(450,098)	Note 9
Existing AP Payments		(382,114)	(172,617)	(52,430)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(607,161)	Note 5
Go-Forward Operating Costs		-	-	(205,333)	(97,230)	(111,230)	(259,887)	(175,404)	(97,230)	(97,230)	(259,887)	-	(1,303,433)	Note 10
Total Cost		(512,715)	(185,218)	(664,485)	(109,831)	(123,831)	(272,488)	(582,125)	(109,831)	(109,831)	(272,488)		(3,183,514)	
Li-Cycle Norway AS Costs		(8,590)	(7,590)	(88,430)	(2,590)	(2,590)	(2,590)	(12,106)	(76,915)	(2,590)	(2,590)	(12,106)	(218,688)	Note 11
Li-Cycle France SARL Costs		(755)	(755)	(755)	(755)	(755)	(755)	(755)	(755)	(755)	(755)	(755)	(8,302)	Note 12
Li-Cycle United Kingdom Ltd. Costs		(2,196)	(2,196)	(17,286)	(2,196)	(2,196)	(2,196)	(17,286)	(2,196)	(2,196)	(2,196)	(17,286)	(69,425)	Note 13
Total Cash Inflow (Outflow)		(201,282)	1,260,020	(190,418)	18,898	(224,109)	(274,278)	(462,964)	241,604	(209,659)	155,939	(160,510)	(46,760)	
Liquidity Summary														
Opening Cash		2,317,450	2,116,168	3,376,187	3,185,769	3,204,667	2,980,558	2,706,280	2,243,315	2,484,920	2,275,261	2,431,200	2,317,450	
Total Cash Inflow (Outflow)		(201,282)	1,260,020	(190,418)	18,898	(224,109)	(274,278)	(462,964)	241,604	(209,659)	155,939	(160,510)	(46,760)	
Ending Cash		2,116,168	3,376,187	3,185,769	3,204,667	2,980,558	2,706,280	2,243,315	2,484,920	2,275,261	2,431,200	2,270,690	2,270,690	
Risk Adjustment														
Product Sales		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(414,689)	-	(417,356)	(418,423)	(1,250,468)	
AR Collection		(81,069)	-	-	-	-	-	(391,440)	-	-	-	-	(472,509)	
Restricted Cash Release		-	(1,444,444)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,444,444)	
Total Risk Adjustment		(81,069)	(1,444,444)	-	-	-	-	(391,440)	(414,689)	-	(417,356)	(418,423)	(3,167,421)	
Consol Cash After Risk Adjustment		2,035,098	1,850,673	1,660,255	1,679,153	1,455,044	1,180,766	326,362	153,278	(56,381)	(317,798)	(896,732)	(896,732)	

Notes

- 1 Sales through 6/27/2025 are based on active contract negotiations

2 Inflows based on commercial intake forecast

3 \$250,000 outflow on 5/23/25 is a catch-up of invoices for historical services rendered

4 Polblume refines excess feedstock intake and produces black mass for sale

5 The Existing AP Payments line includes all AP currently in Net Suite, excluding lease bills and refining costs

6 Expected costs to wind down smaller EMEA entities

7 Release of \$1.4m restricted cash on hand related to the Germany Spoke (Held with UBS)
- 8 People costs and associated benefits

9 Germany Spoke Lease

10 Spoke operating costs including carbon, utilities, parts, tools and consumables, and professional fees

11 Includes lease payments for the Norway Spoke, but excludes lease exit settlement costs

12 Inclusive of professional fees associated with wind-down efforts

13 Inclusive of people costs, third party accounting costs and audit fees

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EMEA – 13 week Cash Flow by Entity
\$USD

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Li-Cycle Europe AG – Cash Balance Summary (Consolidated)	Week Ended:	5/16/2025	5/23/2025	5/30/2025	6/6/2025	6/13/2025	6/20/2025	6/27/2025	7/4/2025	7/11/2025	7/18/2025	Thereafter	12 Weeks	Notes
Europe AG Opening Cash		421,845	1,522,596	2,978,374	3,036,071	3,058,314	2,837,550	2,566,618	2,116,513	2,361,805	2,152,901	2,309,595	421,845	
Europe AG Cash Inflows (Outflows)		322,974	1,455,778	580,537	134,270	(94,737)	3,751	149,307	431,300	(94,287)	433,968	(130,364)	3,192,496	
Intercompany Inflows (Outflows)		777,778	-	(522,840)	(112,027)	(126,027)	(274,684)	(599,411)	(186,008)	(114,617)	(277,274)	(29,392)	(1,464,502)	Note 1
Europe AG Ending Cash		1,522,596	2,978,374	3,036,071	3,058,314	2,837,550	2,566,618	2,116,513	2,361,805	2,152,901	2,309,595	2,149,839	2,149,839	
Germany Opening Cash		897,047	384,332	199,114	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	897,047	Note 2
Germany Cash Inflows (Outflows)		(512,715)	(185,218)	(664,485)	(109,831)	(123,831)	(272,488)	(582,125)	(109,831)	(109,831)	(272,488)	-	(2,942,842)	
Intercompany Inflows (Outflows)		-	-	515,370	109,831	123,831	272,488	582,125	109,831	109,831	272,488	-	2,095,795	Note 3
Germany Ending Cash		384,332	199,114	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	
Norway AS Opening Cash		137,420	128,830	121,239	32,810	30,219	27,629	25,038	12,933	10,000	10,000	10,000	137,420	
Norway AS Cash Inflows (Outflows)		(8,590)	(7,590)	(88,430)	(2,590)	(2,590)	(2,590)	(12,106)	(76,915)	(2,590)	(2,590)	(12,106)	(218,688)	
Intercompany Inflows (Outflows)		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	73,982	2,590	2,590	12,106	91,268	Note 4
Norway AS Ending Cash		128,830	121,239	32,810	30,219	27,629	25,038	12,933	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	
France SARL Opening Cash		836,930	58,398	57,643	56,888	56,133	55,379	54,624	53,869	53,115	52,360	51,605	836,930	
France SARL Cash Inflows (Outflows)		(755)	(755)	(755)	(755)	(755)	(755)	(755)	(755)	(755)	(755)	(755)	(8,302)	
Intercompany Inflows (Outflows)		(777,778)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(777,778)	Note 1, Note 4
France SARL Ending Cash		58,398	57,643	56,888	56,133	55,379	54,624	53,869	53,115	52,360	51,605	50,850	50,850	
United Kingdom Ltd. Opening Cash		24,208	22,012	19,816	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	24,208	
United Kingdom Ltd. Cash Inflows (Outflows)		(2,196)	(2,196)	(17,286)	(2,196)	(2,196)	(2,196)	(17,286)	(2,196)	(2,196)	(2,196)	(17,286)	(69,425)	
Intercompany Inflows (Outflows)		-	-	7,470	2,196	2,196	2,196	17,286	2,196	2,196	2,196	17,286	55,217	Note 4
United Kingdom Ltd. Ending Cash		22,012	19,816	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	
Consolidated EMEA Opening Cash		2,317,450	2,116,168	3,376,187	3,185,769	3,204,667	2,980,558	2,706,280	2,243,315	2,484,920	2,275,261	2,431,200	2,317,450	
Consolidated EMEA Cash Inflows (Outflows)		(201,282)	1,260,020	(190,418)	18,898	(224,109)	(274,278)	(462,964)	241,604	(209,659)	155,939	(160,510)	(46,760)	
Consolidated EMEA Intercompany Inflows (Outflows)		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Consolidated EMEA Ending Cash		2,116,168	3,376,187	3,185,769	3,204,667	2,980,558	2,706,280	2,243,315	2,484,920	2,275,261	2,431,200	2,270,690	2,270,690	

Notes

- 1 Europe AG expects to repatriate ~\$780,000 from France SARL related to exiting the France Spoke lease
- 2 As a standalone entity, Germany does not generate cash inflows, and requires injections from Europe AG to maintain a positive cash balance
- 3 Europe AG injects sufficient cash into Germany GmbH so that the cash balance does not fall below \$50,000
- 4 Europe AG injects cash into Norway AS, France SARL and United Kingston Ltd. once the subsidiaries' cash balances fall below \$10,000

SCHEDULE “C”
RESERVED

SCHEDULE “D”
FORM OF DRAWDOWN CERTIFICATE

DRAWDOWN CERTIFICATE

TO: Glencore International AG (the “**DIP Lender**”)

FROM: Li-Cycle Holdings Corp. (the “**Borrower**”)

DATE: [■]

1. [This certificate is delivered to you, as DIP Lender, in connection with a request for a DIP Loan pursuant to the DIP Term Sheet made as of May 14, 2025, between, among others, the Borrower and the DIP Lender (as amended, supplemented, restated or replaced from time to time, the “**DIP Term Sheet**”). All defined terms used, but not otherwise defined, in this certificate shall have the respective meanings set forth in the DIP Term Sheet, unless the context requires otherwise.
2. The Borrower hereby requests a DIP Loan as follows:
 - (a) Facility: [North American Facility / European Facility]
 - (b) Date of such DIP Loan: _____
 - (b) Aggregate amount of such DIP Loan: \$[■]
 - (c) The location and number of the Bank Accounts to which proceeds of such DIP Loan are to be disbursed: [■]
3. All of the representations and warranties of the DIP Loan Parties as set forth in the DIP Term Sheet are true and correct as at the date hereof, as though made on and as of the date hereof (except for any representations and warranties made as of a specific date, which shall be true and correct as of the specific date made).
4. All of the covenants of the DIP Loan Parties contained in the DIP Term Sheet, including the delivery of the Budget as specified in Section 22 (Budget Reporting) thereof, and all other terms and conditions contained in the DIP Term Sheet to be complied with by the DIP Loan Parties and their subsidiaries, and not waived in writing by or on behalf of the DIP Lender, have been complied with.
5. The DIP Loan Parties are in compliance with the Court Orders.
6. The proceeds of the DIP Loan hereby requested will be applied solely for the Permitted Uses and will be in accordance with the Budget (or as has been otherwise agreed to by the DIP Lender).
7. No Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing nor will any such event occur as a result of the DIP Loan hereby requested.
8. [No Material Adverse Event has occurred.]¹

¹ Include for initial Advance.

Dated as of the first date written above.

LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP.

By: _____

Name:

Title:

SCHEDULE “E”
LITIGATION

1. Arbitration proceedings commenced by MasTec Industrial Corp., under the terms of the Construction Agreement for the Rochester Hub.
2. Subject to obtaining interim relief under Chapter 15, (i) the litigation and claims involving Li-Cycle Inc. related to the Alabama Spoke commenced by Hanna Steel Corporation, and (ii) the litigation and claims involving Li-Cycle North America Hub, Inc. including actions by contractors, suppliers and subcontractors who have filed mechanic’s liens against the company’s interests in the Rochester Hub and the Rochester Warehouse, the claims by UDN, Inc. and the claims by Virginia Transformer Corp.

SCHEDULE "F"
PENSION PLANS

None.

SCHEDULE "G"
BANK ACCOUNTS

See attached.

Schedule G - Bank Accounts				
Legal Entity	Jurisdiction	Bank	Currency	Account Number
Li-Cycle Holdings Corp.	Canada	CIBC	USD	010-06962-0485217
		CIBC	USD	010-06962-0474118
		CIBC	CAD	010-06962-5839718
		BMO	USD	001-00002-4531091
		BMO	USD	001-00002-4506195
		BMO	CAD	001-00002-1568279
		RBC	USD	003-00002-4078655
		RBC	CAD	003-00002-1322965
		BNS	USD	002-47696-0732915
		BNS	CAD	002-47696-0101117
Li-Cycle Corp.	Canada	CIBC	CAD	010-06962-2437511
		CIBC	CAD	010-06962-2442116
		CIBC	USD	010-06962-0212113
Li-Cycle Americas Corp.	Canada	CIBC	USD	010-06962-0576816
		CIBC	CAD	010-06962-5842018
Li-Cycle Inc	US	CIBC US	USD	0002552981 (Routing: 071006486)
		CIBC US	USD	0002867370 (Routing: 071006486)
Li-Cycle North America Hub, Inc.	US	CIBC US	USD	0002618656 (Routing: 071006486)
		CIBC US	USD	0002972352 (Routing: 071006486)
Li-Cycle U.S. Inc.	US	CIBC US	USD	0002521946 (Routing: 071006486)
		CIBC US	USD	0002568861 (Routing: 071006486)
Li-Cycle APAC Pte. Ltd.	Singapore	HSBC (HSBCSGSG)	SGD	141-512095-001
		HSBC	USD	260-393517-178
Li-Cycle Japan GK	Japan	Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (SMBC) (SMBCJPJT)	YEN	7922854
Li-Cycle Korea Co. Ltd.	Korea	Hana Bank (KOEXKRSE)	KRW	115-910054-33104
		Hana Bank	USD	115-910015-32338

Schedule G - Bank Accounts

Legal Entity	Jurisdiction	Bank	Currency	Account Number
Li-Cycle Europe AG	Switzerland	UBS SWITZERLAND AG (UBSWCHZH80A)	Euro	IBAN CH54 0023 0230 7999 9702 V
		UBS SWITZERLAND AG	USD	IBAN CH71 0023 0230 7999 9761 X
		UBS SWITZERLAND AG	CHF	IBAN CH23 0023 0230 7999 9701 A
		UBS SWITZERLAND AG	EUR	IBAN CH92 0023 0230 7999 9703 N
		UBS SWITZERLAND AG	EUR	IBAN CH32 0023 0230 7999 9704 X
Li-Cycle Germany GmbH	Germany	UBS Europe SE (SMHBDEFF)	USD	IBAN DE37 5022 0085 3460 6000 23
		UBS Europe SE	EUR	IBAN DE32 5022 0085 3460 6000 16
		UBS Europe SE	EUR	IBAN DE32 5022 0085 3460 6000 30
Li-Cycle United Kingdom Ltd	UK	Barclays Bank PLC (BUKBGB22)	GBP	GB87BARC20473513326020
		Barclays Bank PLC	USD	GB63BARC20473553418977
		Barclays Bank PLC	Euro	GB71BARC20473588509844
Li-Cycle Norway AS	Norway	DNB (DNBANOKK)	NOK	NO20 5081 0555 103
		DNB	USD	1251 0587 063
		DNB	NOK	1506 8701 969
Li-Cycle France SARL	France	Societe General (SOGEFRPP)	EUR	IBAN FR76 3000 3033 9200 0204 8715 751
		Societe General	USD	IBAN FR76 3000 3033 9203 0204 8715 736

Tab E

This is Exhibit "E" referred to in the
Affidavit of **William E. Aziz**,
sworn before me on May 16, 2025

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Meena", followed by a stylized circular flourish.

A Commissioner for taking Affidavits (or as may be)
Meena Alnajar LSO #: 89626N

EQUITY AND ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

Dated as of May 14, 2025

by and among

GLENCORE CANADA CORPORATION,

as Buyer,

and

LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP.

and the other Persons listed on Schedule I hereto,

as the Sellers

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EQUITY AND ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

THIS EQUITY AND ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT (together with all schedules and exhibits referenced herein, collectively the “Agreement”), dated as of May 14, 2025 (the “Agreement Date”), by and among, Glencore Canada Corporation, a corporation existing under the laws of the Province of Ontario (“Buyer”), and Li-Cycle Holdings Corp., a corporation existing under the laws of the Province of Ontario (“Seller Parent”) and each of the other Persons set forth on Schedule I attached hereto (each, including Seller Parent, a “Seller” and collectively with Seller Parent, the “Sellers”). Buyer and the Sellers are collectively referred to herein as the “Parties” and each, a “Party”.

RECITALS:

A. Reference is made to (i) that certain amended and restated senior secured convertible note issued to Buyer by Seller Parent on March 25, 2024 and amended and restated on January 31, 2025 in the original principal amount of \$81,573,643.75 as of January 31, 2025, as such note may be further amended from time to time (“Secured Note 1”); (ii) that certain amended and restated convertible note issued to Buyer by Seller Parent on May 5, 2022 as subsequently amended and restated on March 25, 2024 and January 31, 2025 in the original principal amount of \$124,059,131.32 as of January 31, 2025, as such note may be further amended from time to time (“Secured Note 2”, and together with Secured Note 1, the “Secured Convertible Notes”); (iii) that certain amended and restated convertible note issued to Buyer by Seller Parent on May 5, 2022 as subsequently amended and restated on March 25, 2024 and January 31, 2025 in the original principal amount of \$121,772,741.47 as of January 31, 2025, as such note may be further amended from time to time (“Unsecured Note”); and (iv) in the case of each of clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above, any PIK Notes (as defined herein) issued in satisfaction of interest due and payable, or accrued but unpaid, thereon (collectively, the “Convertible Notes”). The obligations under the Convertible Notes (the “Convertible Note Obligations”) described in clauses (i) and (ii) above are secured by valid and duly perfected liens, mortgages and other encumbrances in and upon certain property and assets of, among other parties, certain of the Sellers.

B. Li-Cycle U.S. Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “U.S. Equity Seller” or “Li-Cycle U.S.”), owns 100% of the outstanding equity interests (the “U.S. Transferred Equity Interests”) of Li-Cycle Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “U.S. SpokeCo” or the “U.S. Transferred Entity”), which corporation shall convert into a Delaware limited liability company (the “Conversion”).

C. Seller Parent owns 100% of the outstanding shares (the “Swiss Transferred Equity Interest”, and together with the U.S. Transferred Equity Interests, the “Transferred Equity Interests”) of Li-Cycle Europe AG, a stock corporation (*Aktiengesellschaft*), established under the laws of Switzerland with its corporate seat in Baar, Switzerland and its business address at Neuhofstrasse 8, 6340 Baar, Switzerland and registered in the commercial register of the canton of Zug, Switzerland under company registration number CHE-276.781.098 (the “Swiss Entity” and together with the U.S. SpokeCo, the “Direct Transferred Entities”).

D. The Swiss Entity owns 100% of the shares in Li-Cycle Germany GmbH, a limited liability company (*Gesellschaft mit beschränkter Haftung*) under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany and its business address at Lange Göhren 4, 39717 Sülzetal OT Osterweddingen and

registered with the commercial register (*Handelsregister*) of the local court (*Amtsgericht*) of Stendal, Germany under HRB 32081 (the “German SpokeCo”, and together with the Direct Transferred Entities, the “Transferred Entities”).

E. Seller Parent intends to seek the Initial Order (as defined herein) and the A&R Initial Order (as defined herein) from the Ontario Superior Court of Justice (Commercial List) (the “CCAA Court”) to obtain protection from its creditors under *the Companies’ Creditors Arrangement Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the “CCAA”, and the “CCAA Proceeding”).

F. The Sellers intend to commence ancillary insolvency proceedings under Chapter 15 of Title 11 of the United States Code (the “U.S. Proceedings”) in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the “U.S. Bankruptcy Court”).

G. Subject to the CCAA Court approval and the satisfaction of certain terms and conditions set forth in the DIP Term Sheet, Seller Parent will be indebted to Glencore International AG (the “DIP Lender”) under the DIP Term Sheet (as defined herein) in a maximum principal amount of up to \$10,500,000, *plus*, if applicable, the Incremental Winddown Amount (as defined herein), together with all interest, fees and costs incurred or accruing on or thereafter or relating thereto (the “DIP Obligations”).

H. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement, and as authorized under the applicable provisions of the CCAA, Buyer intends to effect a credit bid in respect of a portion of the Secured Convertible Note Obligations owed to Buyer under the Convertible Notes and the DIP Obligations owed under the DIP Term Sheet, pursuant to which the Sellers shall sell, transfer and assign to Buyer, and Buyer shall acquire and assume from the Sellers, the Transferred Assets (as defined herein), the Transferred Equity Interests and the Assumed Liabilities (as defined herein).

I. The Sellers will seek the SISP Order (as defined herein) in order to obtain the approval of this Agreement by the CCAA Court as a “stalking horse bid” and the SISP (as defined herein).

J. In the event that this Agreement is selected as the Successful Bid (as defined in the SISP Order) in accordance with the terms of the SISP, the Sellers and Buyer shall consummate the Transaction.

K. Each of the Sellers has determined that it is in their respective best interests to enter into this Agreement and, subject to approval by the CCAA Court and approval by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court with respect to the equity interests or assets and property of Li-Cycle U.S. Inc. and Li-Cycle North America Hub, Inc. (together with Li-Cycle U.S., the “U.S. Entities”), as applicable, the terms of the SISP and entry of the SISP Recognition and Section 363 Order (as defined herein) by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, to consummate the Transaction on the terms set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual representations, warranties, covenants and agreements contained herein, and for other good and valuable consideration, the

receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, and subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the Parties, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

1.1 Defined Terms. As used herein, and to the extent not otherwise defined herein, the terms below shall have the following respective meanings:

“A&R Initial Order” shall mean the amended and restated initial order of the CCAA Court, substantially in the form to be settled among the Parties in accordance with Section 7.1(a) and attached hereto as Exhibit A.

“Accrued Wages” shall mean, with respect to each Hired Employee, the amount of accrued and unpaid wages, and the amount of accrued and unpaid payroll and other withholding taxes in respect thereof, payable by any of the Sellers since the last payroll date occurring immediately prior to the Closing Date.

“Affiliate” shall mean, with respect to any Person, any other Person that, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls, or is controlled by, or is under common control with, such Person, and the term “control” (including the terms “controlled by” and “under common control with”) shall mean the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person, whether through ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise.

“Agreement” shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

“Agreement Date” shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

“Allocation Schedule” shall mean the schedule allocating the Purchase Price and the Assumed Liabilities in accordance with the Tax Act, Section 1060 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations thereunder and any corresponding requirements of any state, local, Canadian, provincial or foreign Tax Laws, as applicable.

“Alternative Transaction” shall mean the sale, transfer, other disposition, directly or indirectly, including through an asset sale, share sale, plan of arrangement merger, amalgamation, foreclosure or other transaction, including pursuant to a CCAA Proceeding, Chapter 11 plan approved by the Bankruptcy Court or other proceeding, of any material portion of the Transferred Assets or the Transferred Entities, in a single transaction or a series of transactions, with one or more Persons other than Buyer (or its Affiliates).

“Anti-Corruption Laws” shall mean: (i) the OECD Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions, 1997 (the “OECD Convention”), (ii) the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended; (iii) the *Corruption of Foreign Public Officials Act* (Canada); (iv) the relevant provisions of the *Criminal Code* (Canada); (v) the UK Bribery Act 2010, the Prevention of Corruption Act 1916, the Public Bodies Corrupt Practices Act 1889; and (vi) any other applicable law

(including any: statute, ordinance, rule or regulation; order of any court, tribunal or any other judicial body; and rule, regulation, guideline or order of any public body, or any other administrative requirement) which (i) prohibits the conferring of any gift, payment or other benefit to any person or any officer, employee, agent or advisor of such person; and (ii) is substantially equivalent to the above U.S., Canadian or United Kingdom laws or was intended to enact the provisions of the OECD Convention or which has as its objective the prevention of corruption.

“Anti-Money Laundering Laws” shall mean all applicable laws and regulations related to money laundering and financial record keeping, including related reporting requirements which are applicable to any of Seller Parent or any of its Subsidiaries.

“Approval and Vesting Order” shall mean the approval and vesting order of the CCAA Court, substantially in the form to be settled between the Parties in accordance with Section 7.1(a) and attached hereto as Exhibit D.

“Asset Sellers” shall mean each of the Persons listed under such heading on Schedule I attached hereto, including, for the avoidance of doubt, the Intellectual Property Seller.

“Assumed Contracts” shall mean the Contracts listed on Section 2.7(a) of the Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule, including the Assumed Leases, as such schedule may be amended from time to time pursuant to Section 2.7.

“Assumed Debt Obligations” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.5(c).

“Assumed U.S. Contract” shall mean any Assumed Contract governed by the laws of the United States or a jurisdiction located within the territory of the United States.

“Assumed Leases” shall mean those Leases listed on Section 2.7(a) of the Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule, as such schedule may be amended from time to time pursuant to Section 2.7.

“Assumed Liabilities” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.5.

“ATVM Program” shall mean the Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing Incentive Program established by section 136 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007, as amended, and administered by the DOE.

“AVO Recognition and 363 Order” shall mean the order of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in the U.S. Proceedings, substantially in the form to be settled among the Parties, in accordance with Section 7.1(a), recognizing and giving effect to the Approval and Vesting Order and, authorizing entry of the U.S. Entities into this Agreement, the other transaction documents contemplated hereby and the consummation by the U.S. Entities and their Subsidiaries of the Transaction, pursuant to Sections 363 and 1520 of the Bankruptcy Code.

“Avoidance Actions” shall mean: (i) any claims or causes of action in respect of any fraudulent preference, assignment, fraudulent conveyance, transfer at undervalue, or other reviewable transaction under the CCAA, the BIA or any other applicable federal or

provincial legislation; and (ii) those claims and causes of action (whether or not asserted as of the Agreement Date) that any Seller may have against any third party, including any Governmental Entity, under Chapter 5 of the Bankruptcy Code, or state fraudulent conveyance, fraudulent transfer or other similar state Laws.

“Bankruptcy Code” shall mean chapter 11 of Title II of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq, as amended.

“Benefit Plan” shall mean all oral or written plans, arrangements, agreements, programs, policies, practices or undertakings, with the exception of statutory or government sponsored plans, with respect to the employees or the beneficiaries or dependents of any such employees or pursuant to which any of the Sellers is a party to or bound by or to which any of the Sellers has an obligation to contribute relating to or sponsors, contributes to, provides benefits under or through, or maintains, or with respect to which the Asset Seller or the Equity Seller has any direct or indirect present or future liability, in each case whether or not subject to ERISA, including:

- (i) each “employee benefit plan” (within the meaning of Section 3(3) of ERISA), including, without limitation, bonus, profit sharing or deferred profit sharing, performance compensation, deferred or incentive compensation, equity-based, share compensation, share purchase or share option purchase, share appreciation rights, phantom stock, restricted stock unit, stock option, employee loans, or any other compensation or perquisites (including vehicles) in addition to salary or wages;
- (ii) retirement or retirement savings, including registered or unregistered pension plans, pensions, supplemental pensions, registered retirement savings plans and retirement compensation arrangements;
- (iii) insured or self-insured benefits for or relating to income continuation or other benefits during absence from work (including short-term disability, long-term disability and workers compensation), hospitalization, health, welfare, legal costs or expenses, medical or dental treatments or expenses, life insurance, accident, death or survivor’s benefits, vacation or vacation pay, sick pay, supplementary employment insurance, day care, tuition or professional commitments or expenses or similar employment benefits and post-employment benefits; or
- (iv) any plans, arrangements, programs, practices or undertakings similar to the foregoing, but excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, any statutory benefit plans that the Sellers are required to participate in or comply with, including the Canada and Quebec Pension Plans and plans administered pursuant to applicable health tax, workplace safety insurance and employment insurance legislation; but excluding any arrangements with employees or consultants that are authorized and approved pursuant to the CCAA and secured by court charges therein.

“Bill of Sale and Assignment and Assumption Agreement” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.1(b)(i).

“BIA” shall mean the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act, R.S.C., 1985, c. B-3, as amended.

“Books and Records” has the meaning given to such term in Section 2.2(m).

“Break Fee” shall mean an amount equal to \$1,000,000.

“Business” shall mean the business of recycling and recovering critical battery-grade materials conducted by the Asset Sellers and the Transferred Entities in (i) the United States of America; (ii) Germany; and (iii) Switzerland.

“Business Day” shall mean any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or a legal holiday on which banking institutions in Toronto, Canada or Baar, Switzerland are authorized or obligated by Law or executive order to close.

“Business Software” shall mean all Software owned or purported to be owned by, or developed by or for, any Seller or any Transferred Entity and used in the operation of the Business, but excluding commercially available off-the-shelf software.

“Buyer” shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

“Buyer Debt” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.20.

“Buyer’s Fundamental Representations” shall mean the representations and warranties made by Buyer in: (i) Section 5.1 (*Organization and Good Standing*); (ii) Section 5.2 (*Power and Authority*); and (iii) Section 5.3 (*No Contravention*).

“Canadian Assets” shall mean any Transferred Assets acquired by the Canadian Buyer from any Canadian Seller.

“Canadian Buyer” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.3.

“Canadian Sellers” shall mean (i) Seller Parent; (ii) solely to the extent such entity is party to an Assumed Contract, Li-Cycle Americas Corp., a corporation existing under the laws of the Province of Ontario; and (iii) Li-Cycle Corp., a corporation existing under the laws of the Province of Ontario.

“Carve-Out Condition Amount” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.1(i) of the Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule.

“Carve-Out Entities” shall mean the Persons listed on Schedule II attached hereto.

“CCAA” shall have the meaning set forth in Recital E.

“CCAA Court” shall have the meaning set forth in Recital E.

“CCAA Proceeding” shall have the meaning set forth in Recital E.

“Claim” shall mean any and all claims, interests, controversies, actions, proceedings, reimbursement claims, contribution claims, recoupment rights, debts, third-party claims,

indemnity claims, damages, remedies, causes of action, demands, rights, suits, obligations, liabilities, accounts, judgments, defenses, offsets, powers, privileges, licenses, Encumbrances, guarantees, franchises, Avoidance Actions, counterclaims and cross-claims, of any kind or character whatsoever, whether known or unknown, foreseen or unforeseen, existing or hereinafter arising, contingent or non-contingent, matured or unmatured, suspected or unsuspected, liquidated or unliquidated, disputed or undisputed, asserted or unasserted, direct or indirect, assertable directly or derivatively, choate or inchoate, reduced to judgment or otherwise, secured or unsecured, whether arising before, on, or after the Filing Date, in contract, tort, law, equity, or otherwise pursuant to any theory of law. Claim also include: (a) all rights of setoff, counterclaim, or recoupment and claims under contracts or for breaches of duties imposed by law or in equity; (b) the right to object to or otherwise contest claims or interests; (c) claims pursuant to section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code; (d) claims pursuant to the CCAA; and (e) such claims and defenses as fraud, mistake, duress, usury, and any other defenses set forth in section 558 of the Bankruptcy Code.

“Closing” shall mean the consummation of the Transaction.

“Closing Date” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.1.

“Code” shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

“Collective Bargaining Agreement” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.11(a).

“Company Entities” shall mean Seller Parent and/or each of its Subsidiaries party to the DOE Loan Documents.

“Confidential Information” shall mean all information in any form or medium that relates to the Business, the Transferred Entities, the Transferred Assets, the Transferred Equity Interests or the Assumed Liabilities, including financial information, projections, pricing structures, technical data, Trade Secrets, Personal Information, and identities of, and arrangements with, customers and suppliers, software and databases, but shall not include any information that (i) at the time of disclosure thereof is generally available to the public (other than as a result of disclosure in violation of this Agreement), (ii) is already in the recipient’s possession or comes into recipient’s possession on a non-confidential basis (other than as a result of disclosure in violation of this Agreement) from a party that is not known by recipient to be subject to any confidentiality agreement or obligation with respect to such information, or (iii) is independently developed by the receiving party without reliance on or use of any Confidential Information.

“Consents and Approvals” shall mean the consents, approvals, Permits, notifications or waivers from, and filings with, third parties (including any Governmental Entity) as may be required in connection with or to complete the Transaction, in form and substance satisfactory to Buyer, as set forth in Section 2.7(b) of the Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule, which Section 2.7(b) of the Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule shall be updated in accordance with Section 2.7(b).

“Consolidated Tax Returns” shall mean any Tax Returns with respect to U.S. and non-U.S. federal, state, provincial or local income Taxes that are paid on an affiliated, consolidated, combined, unitary or similar basis that include Sellers or any of their Affiliates.

“Contract” shall mean any lease, sublease, license, sublicense, deed, commitment, entitlement, engagement, agreement, contract, contract right, obligation, trust, purchase order, sale order, instrument and other similar arrangements, whether or not in written form, that is binding upon a Person or its property (including any commitment to enter into any of the foregoing).

“Contracting Parties” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.14.

“Conversion” shall have the meaning set forth in Recital B.

“Credit Bid Amount” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.2.

“Credit Documents” shall mean, collectively, (i) the Convertible Notes (as may be amended, modified, restated or split in accordance with this Agreement, including the Pre-Acquisition Reorganization Steps), (ii) any instrument issued by any Seller or entered into by any Seller and Buyer in replacement, in part or in whole, of any of the Convertible Notes in connection with the Pre-Acquisition Reorganization Steps, and (iii) the DIP Term Sheet.

“Cure Amounts” shall mean the aggregate amount, if any, that is required to be paid to cure any monetary defaults of any Seller as of the Closing under the Assumed Contracts as determined for each Assumed Contract: (i) by mutual agreement between the applicable Seller, Buyer and the third-party thereto and (ii) pursuant to section 11.3 of the CCAA.

“Cure Amounts Schedule” has the meaning given to such term in Section 2.7(e).

“Debt” shall mean, without duplication, (i) indebtedness or other obligations for borrowed money or in respect of loans or advances or issued in substitution for or exchange of indebtedness for borrowed money or loans or advances, whether short-term or long-term, secured or unsecured, (ii) any indebtedness or other obligations evidenced by any note, bond, debenture or other debt security or instrument, (iii) all obligations to pay the deferred or unpaid purchase price of property or services, contingent or otherwise (including all “earn-out” obligations, seller notes, installments or similar payments), (iv) all obligations under interest rate and currency hedging agreements, including swap breakage or associated fees, (v) all obligations arising from bankers’ acceptances, letters of credit (to the extent drawn), surety or performance bonds and cash/book overdrafts or similar facilities or instruments, (vi) all obligations for the payment of which a Person is responsible or liable, directly or indirectly, as obligor, guarantor or otherwise, including guarantees of such obligations, (vii) any obligations under leases that have been or are required to be, in accordance with GAAP, recorded as capital leases, (viii) any indebtedness or other obligations secured by an Encumbrance on any Seller’s interest in any assets, and (ix) all accrued interest, premiums, penalties (including any prepayment penalties or premiums, fees or make-whole payments) and other obligations related to any of the foregoing.

“Direct Transferred Entities” has the meaning given to such term in Recital C.

“DIP Facility” shall mean the debtor-in-possession credit facility to be made available and advanced by Buyer to Seller Parent pursuant to, and in accordance with the DIP Term Sheet.

“DIP Lender” has the meaning given to such term in Recital G.

“DIP Term Sheet” shall mean (i) the term sheet entered into as of the date hereof between the DIP Lender and Seller Parent, pursuant to which the DIP Lender shall provide the DIP Facility to Seller Parent and, to the extent contemplated therein, its Subsidiaries and (ii) if Seller Parent, its Subsidiaries (as applicable) and the DIP Lender enter into definitive documents with respect to the DIP Facility.

“DOE” shall mean the U.S. Department of Energy, an agency of the United States of America.

“DOE Loan Documents” shall mean (i) that certain Loan Arrangement and Reimbursement Agreement, dated November 7, 2024, among DOE, Li-Cycle U.S., Li-Cycle North America Hub, Inc. and Li-Cycle, Inc. (the “LARA”), (ii) and that certain Note Purchase Agreement, dated November 7, 2024, by and among FFB, Li-Cycle U.S. and Secretary of Energy (the “NPA”), and (iii) all other Financing Documents (as defined in the LARA).

“Encumbrance” shall mean any Claim, pledge, option, charge, hypothecation, easement, security interest, lien, license, right-of-way, encroachment, mortgage, statutory or deemed trust, and deed of trust or other encumbrance.

“Environmental Law” shall mean any Law concerning pollution, protection or restoration of the environment or natural resources or human health or safety, including any Law governing the labelling, use, transportation, manufacture, processing, generation, distribution, treatment, storage, discharge, release, disposal, clean-up or handling of, or exposure to, Hazardous Material.

“Environmental Permits” shall mean those Permits required under Environmental Law.

“Equity Seller” shall mean the Persons listed under such heading on Schedule I attached hereto.

“ERISA” shall mean the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

“ERISA Affiliate” shall mean, with respect to any Person, any trade or business (whether or not incorporated) which is a member of a group of which such Person is a member and which would be deemed to be a “controlled group” within the meaning of Sections 414(b), (c), (m) and (o) of the Code or Section 4001(b)(1) of ERISA that includes the Sellers.

“Exchange Act” shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

“Excluded Assets” shall mean the assets set forth in Section 2.3.

“Excluded Cash” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.4(m).

“Excluded Contracts” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.4(a).

“Excluded Liabilities” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.6.

“Expense Reimbursement” shall mean all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket fees and expenses including, all professional fees and expenses, to be paid to Buyer incurred by Buyer and its Affiliates in connection with the negotiation, execution and consummation of this Agreement in an aggregate amount equal to the amount of such expenses, plus applicable Taxes, up to a maximum of \$200,000, to the extent not otherwise payable pursuant to the terms of the DIP Term Sheet.

“FFB” shall mean the Federal Financing Bank, an instrumentality of the United States government created by the Federal Financing Bank Act of 1973 that is under the general supervision of the Secretary of Treasury.

“Filing Date” shall mean the date on which Seller Parent and the other Sellers obtain the Initial Order under the CCAA.

“Final”, with respect to any order of any court of competent jurisdiction, shall mean that: (i) such order shall not have been stayed, appealed, varied (except with the consent of Buyer and the Sellers) or vacated, and all time periods within which such order could at law be appealed shall have expired; or (ii) such order is no longer the subject of any continuing proceedings seeking to stay, appeal, vary (except with the consent of Buyer and the Sellers) or vacate such order, all such proceedings having been discontinued, denied, dismissed, and otherwise unsuccessfully concluded, and the time for appealing or further appealing the disposition of such proceedings shall have expired.

“Final Exhibits” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1(a).

“Financial Statements” shall mean the audited financial statements of Seller Parent for the year ending December 31, 2024, including the notes thereto.

“Further Order” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.7(c).

“GAAP” shall mean United States generally accepted accounting principles.

“Governmental Entity” shall mean any (i) federal, state, provincial, local, municipal, foreign or other government, (ii) governmental or quasi-governmental authority of any nature (including any governmental agency, branch, department, official, or entity and any court, arbitrator or other tribunal) or (iii) body exercising, or entitled to exercise, any administrative, executive, judicial, legislative, police, regulatory, or taxing authority or power of any nature, including any arbitral tribunal.

“Hazardous Material” shall mean any material, substance or waste (i) defined, classified or otherwise characterized as “hazardous”, “hazardous waste”, “radioactive”, “deleterious”, “toxic”, “caustic”, “dangerous”, a “contaminant”, a “pollutant”, a “dangerous good”, a “waste”, a “special waste”, a “source of contamination” or a “source of a pollutant” or words of similar meaning or regulatory effect, (ii) that is subject to, or the presence or concentration of which in soil, sediment, ground water or surface water is regulated under, any Environmental Law or (iii) which may pose a threat to the environment or to human health or safety, including asbestos, asbestos-containing materials, lead or lead-based paint, polychlorinated biphenyls, mold, mildew, fungi, oil, waste oil, petroleum, petroleum productions, lead-containing paint, lead-containing plumbing, polychlorinated biphenyls, per- or polyfluoroalkyl substances, radioactive materials, radon, or urea formaldehyde foam insulation.

“Hired Employees” shall mean, collectively, the employees of the Sellers who accept an offer of employment by Buyer or an Affiliate of Buyer, as applicable, at or prior to the Closing and actually commence employment with either Buyer or an Affiliate of Buyer, as applicable, upon the Closing.

“HST” shall mean all goods and services tax and harmonized sales tax imposed under the HST Legislation, and any provincial, territorial or foreign legislation imposing a similar value added or multi-staged tax.

“HST Legislation” shall mean Part IX of the *Excise Tax Act*, R.S.C., 1985, c. E-15, and any corresponding, applicable provincial legislation.

“Indemnified Taxes” shall mean, without duplication, any and all Taxes (i) of (or imposed upon) U.S. SpokeCo for any Pre-Closing Tax Period (determined in accordance with Section 6.13) or (ii) required to be paid by Buyer or U.S. SpokeCo to a Governmental Entity solely by reason of the joint liability of U.S. SpokeCo with any Seller or any Affiliate of any Seller with respect to those Taxes (including any Liability for Taxes pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.1502-6 or any Liability for Taxes under any analogous state, provincial, local or non-U.S. law) or by reason of U.S. SpokeCo having been (or ceasing to be) a member of any consolidated, combined or unitary group on or prior to the Closing.

“ICA” shall mean the *Investment Canada Act* (Canada), as amended, and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

“ICA Approval” shall mean either: (i) prior to or following notice by Buyer to the Director of Investments pursuant to the ICA, the Minister has not sent to Buyer a notice under subsection 25.2(1) of the ICA in respect of the Transaction within the prescribed time period and the Minister has not made an order under subsection 25.3(1) of the ICA in respect of the Transaction within the prescribed time period; or (ii) if such a notice pursuant to the ICA has been sent or such an order under subsection 25.3(1) of the ICA has been made, Buyer has subsequently received any of the following: (A) a notice under paragraph 25.2(4)(a) of the ICA indicating that a review of the Transaction on grounds of national security will not be commenced; (B) a notice under paragraph 25.3(6)(b) of the ICA

indicating that no further action will be taken in respect of the Transaction; or (C) a copy of an order under paragraph 25.4(1)(b) authorizing the Transaction.

“Incremental Winddown Amount” shall mean an amount equal to (i) if the Total Rochester Option is exercised, \$1,250,000 or (ii) if a Partial Rochester Option is exercised, the reasonable, out-of-pockets costs of Sellers associated with the liquidation of the assets excluded pursuant to the exercise of such Partial Rochester Option, based on reputable third-party quotes for such costs provided to Buyer on or prior to the date that is two (2) Business Days prior to the Closing, up to a maximum amount of \$1,250,000.

“Initial Order” shall mean the initial order of the CCAA Court, in form and substance acceptable to Buyer, acting reasonably.

“Insolvency Proceedings” shall mean any action, application, petition, suit or other proceeding under any bankruptcy, receivership arrangement, reorganization, dissolution, liquidation, insolvency, winding-up or similar law of any jurisdiction now or hereafter in effect, for the relief from or otherwise affecting creditors of Seller Parent or the other Sellers, including under the BIA (including the filing of a notice of intention to make a proposal), the CCAA (including the CCAA Proceeding), the *Winding-up and Restructuring Act*, R.S.C., 1985, c. W-11, as amended, or the Bankruptcy Code by, against, or in respect of Seller Parent or any other Seller.

“Insurance Proceeds” shall mean all insurance proceeds actually received in respect of any casualty loss or damage suffered by any Transferred Asset prior to the Closing Date that is covered by insurance maintained by the Sellers or their Affiliates, net of any expenses (including any deductibles retained by the Sellers) incurred in connection with the receipt of such proceeds, to be applied to restore or replace such Transferred Asset.

“Intellectual Property” shall mean any and all right, title and interest in or relating to intellectual property, whether protected, created or arising under the laws of the United States or any other jurisdiction, including all: (i) patents and patent applications, together with all reissuances, divisionals, continuations, continuations-in-part, revisions, substitutions, provisionals, renewals, extensions, and re-examinations thereof, and all rights to claim priority from any of the foregoing (collectively, “Patents”); (ii) trademarks, service marks, logos, trade names, brand names, corporate names, trade dress, trade styles, and other indicators of the commercial source or origin of a product or service, and general intangibles of a like nature, in each case, whether or not registered, and all registrations and applications to register, and renewals and extensions of, any of the foregoing, together with all goodwill associated with any of the foregoing (collectively, “Marks”); (iii) trade secret rights and corresponding rights in confidential information and other non-public or proprietary information (whether or not patentable or copyrightable), including ideas, know-how, inventions, customer and supplier lists technology, Software, discoveries, improvements, methods, procedures, processes, techniques, formulae, drawings, designs, models, and plans (collectively, “Trade Secrets”); (iv) copyrights and copyrightable works, and all database and design rights, whether or not registered or published, including all data collections, “moral” rights, and mask works, and all registrations and applications to register, and renewals, extensions and reversions of, any of the foregoing, and

corresponding rights in works of authorship (“Copyrights”); (v) Internet domain names, electronic addresses, uniform resource locators and alphanumeric designations associated therewith and all registrations for any of the foregoing, and all social media accounts (collectively, “Domain Names”); (vi) intellectual property rights arising from Software and technology; and (vii) rights of privacy and publicity; (viii) the right to bring an action at law or equity for the past, present, and future infringement of the foregoing, including the right to receive all proceeds and damages therefrom, and (ix) any and all similar, corresponding or equivalent intellectual or proprietary rights arising under the laws of any jurisdiction throughout the world or pursuant to any international convention.

“Intellectual Property Seller” shall mean any Seller that owns or purports to own any Owned Intellectual Property.

“Intercompany Loans” has the meaning given to such term in the DIP Term Sheet.

“Invention Assignment Agreement” has the meaning set forth in Section 4.9(g).

“Inventory” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(f).

“IP License” shall mean (A) any grant by any Person to any Seller or Transferred Entity of any license, sublicense, right, consent, option, permission or covenant not to assert, under or with respect to the any Licensed Intellectual Property (an “Inbound License”), or (B) any grant to any Person by any Seller or Transferred Entity of any license, sublicense, right, consent, option, permission or covenant not to assert, under or with respect to any Transferred Intellectual Property (an “Outbound License”).

“IT Systems” shall mean all information technology, computer systems and communications systems, computers, hardware, Software, databases, websites, and other equipment owned, operated, leased or licensed by any Seller or any Transferred Entity used to process, store, maintain, or operate data, information or functions used in connection with or in the operation of the Business.

“Knowledge of the Sellers” shall mean the actual knowledge of each of the President, Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Restructuring Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and the Chief Technology Officer of the Sellers and for so long as he is directly or indirectly employed or engaged by, or consulting with, Seller Parent or any of its Subsidiaries, Ajay Kochhar, in each case, after due inquiry.

“Labor Laws” shall mean, collectively, to the extent applicable to any Seller, any federal, national, state, provincial, territorial and foreign Laws governing labor and/or employment and employment practices, including all such Laws relating to terms and conditions of employment, wages (including minimum wage and overtime), other compensation, hours of work, temporary employees, the classification of independent contractors and exempt and non-exempt employees, restrictive covenant obligations, immigration (including the completion of Forms I-9 for all employees and the proper confirmation of employee visas), vacation, severance, the WARN Act, collective bargaining, discrimination, harassment, retaliation, whistleblowing, disability rights and/or benefits, equal opportunity, child labor,

civil rights, safety and health, employee trainings and notices, labor relations, collective bargaining, leaves of absences or employee leave issues, affirmative action and/or unemployment insurance, automated employment decision tools (including artificial intelligence), and workers' compensation.

"Law" shall mean any federal, state, provincial, local or foreign statute, law, ordinance, regulation, rule, code, order, treaty, administrative interpretation, guideline, decision, order, principle of common law or equity, judgment enacted, promulgated, issued, enforced or entered by any Governmental Entity, or other requirement or rule of law.

"Leased Real Property" shall mean all real property for which one or more of the Asset Sellers (other than Li-Cycle Americas Corp.) or the Transferred Entities hold a ground lease, lease, license, or other property interest.

"Leases" shall mean the real property leases to which an Asset Seller or any Transferred Entity is a party with respect to any of the Leased Real Property.

"Liabilities" shall mean, as to any Person, all debts, claims, liabilities, commitments, responsibilities, and obligations of any kind or nature whatsoever, direct, indirect, asserted or unasserted, absolute or contingent, of such Person, whether accrued, vested or otherwise, whether known or unknown, and whether or not actually reflected, or required to be reflected, in such Person's balance sheets or other books and records, including any Taxes incurred in relation to the foregoing.

"Licensed Intellectual Property" shall mean all Intellectual Property (other than Owned Intellectual Property) used, held for use or practiced by any Seller or any Transferred Entity.

"Material Adverse Effect" shall mean any change, event, occurrence, effect, development, circumstance or condition (or series of related changes, events, occurrences, effects, developments, circumstances or conditions) which, individually or in the aggregate, is or would reasonably be expected to: (a) have a material adverse effect on or results in a material adverse change in the condition (financial or otherwise), results or operations of the Transferred Assets and the Transferred Entities, taken as a whole, or the Business as conducted by the Transferred Entities; or (b) prevent, materially delay or materially impair the ability of any Seller or the Transferred Entities to perform their respective obligations under this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents and to consummate the Transaction in accordance with this Agreement and the SISP Order; except, in each case, any such change, event, occurrence, effect, development, circumstance or condition resulting from or arising in connection with: (i) any change or prospective change in GAAP or other accounting standards or applicable Laws; (ii) any change, event, occurrence, effect, development, circumstance or condition in or affecting (A) the global, national or regional political conditions (including the outbreak or escalation of war, acts of terrorism or cyberterrorism or military actions), (B) the general economic, business, regulatory, political, social or market conditions, (C) the national or global financial or capital or credit markets, or (D) sanctions or export controls; (iii) any natural or man-made disaster or act of God (including epidemics, pandemics, disease outbreak or other health crisis or public

health event), or any escalation or worsening of any of the foregoing; (iv) any change, event, occurrence, effect, development, circumstance or condition in or affecting the industry in which the Sellers or the Transferred Entities operate; (v) the execution, announcement, pendency or performance of this Agreement or the other agreements contemplated hereby, or any litigation relating to or resulting from this Agreement or the other agreements contemplated hereby; (vi) the failure of any Seller or the Transferred Entities to meet internal, Seller Parent, analyst, published or other projections, forecasts, guidance, estimates or budgets for any period (provided, that the underlying causes thereof, to the extent not otherwise excluded by this definition, may be deemed to contribute to a Material Adverse Effect); (vii) any change in the market price or trading volume of any securities of Seller Parent (it being understood that causes underlying such change in market price or trading volume may be taken into account in determining whether a Material Adverse Effect has occurred unless otherwise excluded by this definition); (viii) any termination of any DOE Loan Document by the DOE, FFB, the Secretary of Energy or their related parties after the filing of the CCAA Proceeding or the U.S. Proceedings; (ix) the filing of the CCAA Proceeding or the U.S. Proceedings; provided that for the purposes of Section (ii), (iii) and (iv) exceptions above, such effect does not disproportionately adversely affect any Seller or Transferred Entity (considered as a whole) compared to other entities operating in the industries in which the Sellers and the Transferred Entities operate.

“Material Contracts” shall mean any Contract of the Sellers or the Transferred Entities, in each case related to the Business (a) listed on Section 4.8(a) of the Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule; (b) the breach, non-performance or cancellation of which or the failure of which to renew could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; (c) that is a shareholder agreement, partnership agreement, limited liability company agreement, joint venture agreement or similar agreement or arrangement, relating to the formation, creation or operation of any corporation, partnership, limited liability company or joint venture in which the Sellers or the Transferred Entities, are, as applicable, a shareholder, partner, member or joint venturer (or other participant) that is material to the Sellers and the Transferred Entities, taken as a whole; (d) restricting the incurrence of indebtedness by Seller Parent or any of its Subsidiaries or the incurrence of any Encumbrances on any properties or assets of the Sellers or the Transferred Entities or restricting the payment of dividends by the Sellers or the Transferred Entities; (e) under which the Sellers or the Transferred Entities is obligated to make or expects to receive payments in excess of \$250,000 over the next twelve months (except for collective agreements and employment agreements); (f) providing for the purchase, sale or exchange of, or option to purchase, sell or exchange, any property or asset where the purchase or sale price or agreed value or fair market value of such property or asset exceeds \$250,000; (g) that contains express exclusivity, right of first offer or refusal, or non-solicitation obligations of the Sellers or any of the Transferred Entities, other than confidentiality and/or non-disclosure agreements entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business and other than any Contract relating to immaterial Intellectual Property; (h) with any person with whom the Sellers or any of the Transferred Entities does not deal at arm’s length (within the meaning specified in the Tax Act) (other than employment agreements and indemnity agreements with directors, officers and employees of the Sellers or any of the Transferred Entities); (i) involving (i) the

settlement, conciliation or similar agreement with any Governmental Entity or (ii) the settlement, conciliation or similar of any material lawsuit with respect to which (A) there is any unpaid amount owing by the Sellers or any of the Transferred Entities; (B) conditions precedent to the settlement thereof have not been satisfied or (C) would result in a material outstanding obligation after the date of this Agreement; (j) which has been or would be required by applicable securities Laws to be filed by the Sellers with the securities authorities and which is still in effect as of the date hereof; (k) that expressly limits or restricts in any material respect: (i) the ability of the Sellers or the Transferred Entities to engage in any line of business or carry on business in any geographic area; or (ii) the scope of persons to whom the Sellers or the Transferred Entities may sell products; (l) that is with a Governmental Entity; (m) that is a collective agreement; (n) that is a written employment agreement entered into by the Sellers or any of the Transferred Entities pursuant to which an individual employed on a full-time part-time, contractor, or consulting or other basis is entitled to an annual base salary in excess of \$250,000 or that provides for change in control payments solely as a result of the completion of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement in excess of \$250,000; (o) that is for or relates to the employment or other services of any individual on a full-time, part-time or consulting or other basis providing annual compensation in excess of \$250,000; (p) providing for or relating to indemnification, severance, retention, “change of control”, transaction bonus, deferred compensation, restrictive covenant, proprietary information and inventions assignment or other ancillary agreement or contract with any employees of the Seller or its Affiliates; (q) that is with any labor union or similar organization representing any of the employees, including any Collective Bargaining Agreements; (r) that is a Lease with respect to a Leased Real Property or that is otherwise material to the Sellers or the Transferred Entities, taken as a whole; (s) that (i) provide for any invention, creation, conception or other development of any material Intellectual Property (A) by any Seller or Transferred Entity for any other Person, (B) by any Seller or Transferred Entity jointly with any other Person or (C) for any Seller or Transferred Entity by any other Person (excluding any Invention Assignment Agreements) or (ii) provides for the assignment or other transfer of any ownership interest in any material Intellectual Property (A) to any Seller or Transferred Entity by any other Person (excluding any Invention Assignment Agreements) or (B) by any Seller in connection with the Business or Transferred Entity to any other Person; and (t) that contains an IP License, other than, in the case of an Inbound License, licenses for open source software or off-the-shelf Software commercially available on standard terms for a one-time or annual fee (whichever is higher) of no more than \$50,000, and in the case of an Outbound License, non-exclusive licenses of Intellectual Property granted to customers in the Ordinary Course of Business that do not permit further resale or distribution.

“Monitor” shall mean Alvarez & Marsal Canada Inc. in its capacity as monitor in the CCAA Proceeding, as contemplated to be appointed by the CCAA Court under the Initial Order.

“Monitor’s Certificate” shall mean the certificate, substantially in the form to be attached as Schedule “A” to the Approval and Vesting Order, to be delivered by the Monitor to Seller Parent or the Sellers and Buyer in accordance with Section 8.5 and thereafter filed by the Monitor with the CCAA Court.

“Mutual Release Agreement” shall mean a mutual release agreement, to be entered into among, Buyer and the Sellers, whereby each of Buyer, on the one hand, and the Sellers, on the other hand, agree to waive, release and discharge, effective at the time of Closing, all Claims against, the other and their respective Representatives and related parties, in a manner customary for credit bid transactions similar in nature and type to the Transaction (other than those claims for repayment under the Convertible Notes and subject to certain other customary exceptions), in form and substance acceptable to Buyer and the Sellers.

“Nonparty Affiliates” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.14.

“Notices” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.4.

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

“Order” shall mean any judgment, order, injunction, writ, ruling, verdict, decree, stipulation, award or other binding obligation, pronouncement or determination of any Governmental Entity or arbitration tribunal.

“Ordinary Course of Business” shall mean, with respect to an action taken by (i) the Swiss Entity or German SpokeCo, that such action is taken in the ordinary course of day-to-day operations of the business of the Swiss Entity or German SpokeCo, as applicable, and is consistent with past practice during the six (6) month period preceding February 26, 2025 and (ii) any Seller or U.S. SpokeCo, that such action is taken in the ordinary course of business of day to day operations of such Seller or U.S. SpokeCo, as applicable, taking into consideration the fact that such entities have ceased operations and furloughed all employees and are not intending to resume operations prior to Closing; provided, however, that the following actions shall not constitute actions taken in the Ordinary Course of Business: (i) disposal of any assets other than inventory and (ii) designation of any real property owned or leased for care & maintenance.

“Outside Date” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.1(b)(i).

“Owned Intellectual Property” shall mean all Intellectual Property owned or purported to be owned by (i) any Seller or (ii) any Transferred Entity.

“Owned Real Property” shall mean all real property or improvements on Leased Real Property owned by one or more of the Asset Sellers (other than Li-Cycle Americas Corp.) or the Transferred Entities.

“Partial Rochester Option” shall mean Buyer’s right, in its sole discretion and by written notice to the Sellers and the Monitor to designate as Excluded Assets, pursuant to Section 2.2: (i) any portion of the Owned Real Property on the lands subject to the Ground Lease Agreement, dated as of August 3, 2021, by and between Ridgeway Properties I, LLC and Li-Cycle North America Hub, Inc. (as amended on June 9, 2022); or (ii) any portion of the Owned Real Property located on the lands subject to that certain Amended and Restated Ground Sublease Agreement, dated May 31, 2024, by and between Pike Conductor Dev I,

LLC and Li-Cycle North America Hub, Inc., and all or substantially all of the assets located thereon (in each case, other than any IP).

“Parent LTIP” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.4(j).

“Parent Legacy Plans” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.4(j).

“Party” shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

“Payment Guarantee” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.17 of the Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule.

“Permits” shall mean all licenses, certificates, consents, permits, registrations, quotas, Environmental Permits, and other authorizations of any Governmental Entity relating to the Transferred Assets or used by the Sellers in connection with the Business, and all pending applications therefor.

“Permitted Encumbrances” shall mean (i) Encumbrances for Taxes, assessments or other governmental charges not yet due and payable or the amount or validity of which is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings and sufficiently reserved for on the appropriate balance sheet in accordance with GAAP, (ii) zoning, entitlement and other land use and environmental regulations by any Governmental Entity having jurisdiction over any Real Property which are not violated by the current use, occupancy or operation of any Real Property, (iii) any Encumbrances on property or assets of the Sellers pertaining to the Transferred Assets securing the Credit Documents that are fully and unconditionally discharged and released at or prior to the Closing with respect to the Sellers and the property subject thereto, including pursuant to the Approval and Vesting Order, (iv) Encumbrances contemplated by the Credit Documents in respect of the Project Financing (as defined in the Credit Documents), (v) such other minor defects, exceptions, restrictions, imperfections in title, charges, easements, restrictions and encumbrances (other than in connection with Debt) which would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to materially detract from, or adversely affect the operation of, the property and/or the use of the property for its intended purpose in the Ordinary Course of Business and (vi) Encumbrances that rank senior to the Encumbrances securing the Secured Convertible Notes under applicable Law, but solely to the extent such Encumbrances rank senior to the Encumbrances securing the Secured Convertible Notes under applicable Law.

“Person” shall mean an individual, partnership, joint venture, corporation, business trust, limited liability company, trust, unincorporated organization, association, joint stock company, estate, Governmental Entity or other entity.

“Personal Information” shall mean (i) all information identifying, or that alone or in combination with other information identifies, or allows for the identification of, an individual, and (ii) any information that is defined as “personal information,” “personal data,” “personally identifiable information,” “individually identifiable health information,” “protected health information,” “personal information” or words of similar import under

applicable law or by any Seller or any Transferred Entity in any of its privacy policies, notices or contracts.

“Personal Property Leases” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.22.

“PIK Notes” shall mean the issuance of additional convertible notes or the increase in principal amount of convertible notes, as the case may be, that may be issued by Seller Parent from time to time in satisfaction of the interest due and payable on the Convertible Notes, or previously issued PIK Notes, as the case may be.

“Post-Closing Tax Period” shall mean all taxable years or other taxable periods that begin after the Closing Date and, with respect to any Straddle Period, the portion of such taxable year or period beginning after the Closing Date.

“Pre-Acquisition Reorganization Steps” shall mean the series of corporate transactions and actions to be implemented prior to Closing as set forth on Schedule III.

“Pre-Acquisition Reorganization Documentation” shall mean all agreements, instruments, certificates, and any other documentation required to effectuate the Pre-Acquisition Reorganization Steps, in each case, in form and substance acceptable to Buyer, and, solely to the extent any terms and conditions therein are materially adverse to the Sellers, Seller Parent, and as more fully described in Schedule III.

“Pre-Closing Tax Period” shall mean all taxable years or other taxable periods that end on or before the Closing Date, and, with respect to any Straddle Period, the portion of such taxable year or period ending on and including the Closing Date.

“Prime Real Property Agreements” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.21(m).

“Privacy Requirements” shall mean any and all (i) Laws with which any Seller or any Transferred Entity is required to comply relating to privacy, the Processing of Personal Information, the security of Personal Information, data breach disclosure and notification, the use of biometric identifiers or the use of Personal Information for marketing purposes, (ii) all Contracts between any Seller or any Transferred Entity and any Person that are applicable to the Processing of Personal Information, and (iii) contractual obligations, written privacy notices and formalized internal information security policies of the relating to the Processing of any Personal Information.

“Proceeding” shall mean any court, administrative, regulatory or similar proceeding (whether civil, quasi-criminal or criminal), arbitration or other dispute settlement procedure, investigation or inquiry before or by any Governmental Entity, or any claim, action, suit, demand, arbitration, charge, indictment, hearing, demand letter or other similar civil, quasi-criminal or criminal, administrative or investigative matter or proceeding.

“Processing” shall mean any operation or set of operations performed on any data, whether or not by automated means, including but not limited to receipt, collection, compilation, use, storage, combination, sharing, safeguarding, disposal, erasure, destruction, disclosure or transfer (including cross-border transfer).

“Purchase Price” shall mean the aggregate amount of the consideration to be paid or credited by Buyer for the Transferred Assets and the Transferred Equity Interests in accordance with Section 3.2.

“Purchase Price Cash Component” shall mean an amount of cash sufficient to satisfy all accrued but unpaid amounts, as of the time of Closing, that are secured by a charge provided by the Initial Order, the A&R Initial Order or the SISP Order.

“Purchased Assets” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.2.

“Real Property” shall mean, collectively, the Owned Real Property and the Leased Real Property.

“Representative” shall mean, with respect to any Person, such Person’s officers, directors, partners, managers, employees, agents and representatives (including any investment banker, financial advisor, consultant, accountant, legal counsel or expert retained by or acting on behalf of such Person or its Affiliates).

“Rochester Hub” shall mean the Sellers’ planned commercial-scale hub, under development at 50 McLaughlin Road, Rochester, New York, 14615 and 205 McLaughlin Road, Rochester, New York 14615.

“Rochester Option” means either the Total Rochester Option or the Partial Rochester Option.

“Sanctioned Country” shall mean, at any time, a country or territory that is itself the target of comprehensive Sanctions (as of the date of this Agreement, Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Syria, Crimea, Donetsk and Luhansk).

“Sanctioned Person” shall mean (i) any person listed in any Sanctions list; (ii) any person operating, organized, or resident in a Sanctioned Country; (iii) the government of a Sanctioned Country or the Government of Venezuela; or (iv) any person fifty (50)% or more owned or controlled by any such person or persons or acting for or on behalf of such person or persons.

“Sanctions” shall mean economic or financial sanctions or trade embargoes imposed, administered or enforced from time to time by (i) the U.S. government, including those administered by OFAC or the U.S. Department of State or Commerce, or (ii) the United Nations Security Council, the European Union, His Majesty’s Treasury of the United Kingdom, Switzerland, Canada, Norway or any other applicable sanctioning authority, excluding any countersanctions including those imposed by China or Russia.

“SEC” shall mean the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

“Secured Convertible Notes” shall have the meaning given to such term in Recital A.

“Secured Note 1” shall have the meaning given to such term in Recital A.

“Secured Note 2” shall have the meaning given to such term in Recital A.

“Seller Parent” shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

“Seller Parent Board” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.20.

“Seller Registered Intellectual Property” shall mean all Patents, registered Marks, pending applications for registration of Marks, registered Copyrights, pending applications for registration of Copyrights, and Domain Names, in each case, owned or purported to be owned by (i) any Seller or (ii) any Transferred Entity.

“Seller Release” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.17.

“Seller Parent Receivable” shall mean the aggregate amount of Seller Parent’s claims for payment against the Swiss Entity resulting from a long-term intercompany loan receivable existing as of the Closing Date.

“Sellers” shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

“Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule” shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the opening paragraph of Article IV.

“Sellers’ Fundamental Representations” shall mean the representations and warranties made by the Sellers in: Section 4.1 (*Organization and Good Standing*); Section 4.2 (*Power and Authority*); Section 4.3 (*Transferred Entities; Transferred Equity Interests*); Section 4.5 (*No Contravention*); Section 4.7(a) (*Title to Transferred Assets*); and Section 4.16 (*Financial Advisors*).

“SISP” shall mean those certain sale and investment solicitation procedures substantially in the form to be settled between the Parties in accordance with Section 7.1(a) and attached hereto as Exhibit B.

“SISP Order” shall mean an order of the CCAA Court, substantially in the form to be settled between the Parties in accordance with Section 7.1(a) and attached hereto as Exhibit C.

“SISP Recognition and 363 Order” shall mean the order of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in the U.S. Proceedings, substantially in the form to be settled among the Parties in accordance with Section 7.1(a), recognizing and giving effect to the SISP Order and granting relief pursuant to Sections 363 and 1520 of the Bankruptcy Code.

“Software” shall mean any and all: (i) software and computer programs of any type, including any and all software implementations of algorithms, models and methodologies, whether in source code or object code; (ii) data, databases and compilations of data, including any and all collections of data, whether machine readable or otherwise; (iii) descriptions, flow-charts and other work product used to design, plan, organize and develop any of the foregoing, screens, user interfaces, report formats, firmware, development tools, templates, menus, buttons, images, videos, models and icons; and (iv) documentation and

other materials related to any of the foregoing, including user manuals and training materials.

“Straddle Period” shall mean any Tax period that begins on or before the Closing Date and ends after the Closing Date.

“Subsidiary” of any specified Person shall mean any other Person of which such first Person (i) owns (either directly or through one or more other Subsidiaries) a majority of the outstanding equity securities, or securities carrying a majority of the voting power in the election of the board of directors or other governing body, of such Person or (ii) is entitled, directly or indirectly, to appoint a majority of the board of directors or managers or comparable supervisory body of such Person; and with respect to which entity such first Person is not otherwise prohibited contractually or by other legally binding authority from exercising control.

“Successful Bid” has the meaning given to such term in the SISP Order.

“Tax” or “Taxes” shall mean (i) any current, deferred, federal, state, provincial, county, local, foreign and other taxes, assessments, duties or charges of any kind whatsoever, including, income, profits, gains, net worth, sales, use, *ad valorem*, gross receipts, business and occupation, license, minimum, alternative minimum, environmental, estimated, stamp, customs duties, occupation, property (real or personal), franchise, capital stock, license, transfer, excise, value added, payroll, employees, income withholding, social security, unemployment or other tax, together with any penalty, fine, addition to tax or interest on the foregoing; (ii) any liability in respect of any items described in clause (i) payable by reason of contract, assumption, transferee or successor liability, operation of Law, Treasury Regulations Section 1.1502-6(a) or any analogous or similar provision of Law (or any predecessor or successor thereof) or otherwise; and (iii) any Liability in respect of any items described in clause (i) as a result of being a “transferee” (within the meaning of section 160 of the Tax Act or any other Laws) of the taxpayer or entity or a member of a related, non-arm’s length, affiliated or combined group.

“Tax Act” shall mean the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) as amended, and any relevant provincial legislation imposing tax similar to the *Income Tax Act* (Canada).

“Tax Attributes” has the meaning given to such term in Section 2.6(a).

“Tax Return” shall mean any return, declaration, report, claim for refund, or information return or statement relating to Taxes filed or required to be filed with a Governmental Entity, including any schedule or attachment thereto, and including any amendment thereof.

“Third Party Consents” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.8(c).

“Total Rochester Option” shall mean Buyer’s right, in its sole discretion and by written notice to the Sellers and the Monitor, to designate as Excluded Assets, pursuant to Section 2.2, substantially all of the assets necessary or used in or at or intended to be used in or at the Rochester Hub or the completion thereof, including all of the Owned Real Property and

Leased Real Property located on or attached to the Rochester Hub (in each case, other than any IP).

“Transaction Dispute” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.8.

“Transaction Documents” shall mean this Agreement, the Bill of Sale and Assignment and Assumption Agreement, the Transition Services Agreement, and the other documents, instruments, exhibits, annexes, schedules or certificates contemplated hereby and thereby.

“Transaction” shall mean the sale of the Transferred Equity Interests and the Transferred Assets and the assumption of the Assumed Liabilities pursuant to this Agreement, the Approval and Vesting Order, the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order, any Further Order or U.S. Assignment Order and all other transactions contemplated by this Agreement or entered into in order to give effect to this Agreement.

“Transferred Assets” shall mean, collectively, (i) the Purchased Assets and (ii) the Transferred Intellectual Property.

“Transferred Entities” shall have the meaning set forth in Recital D.

“Transferred Equity Interests” shall have the meaning set forth in Recital C.

“Transferred Intellectual Property” shall mean all of the Owned Intellectual Property and all of the Licensed Intellectual Property.

“Transfer Tax” or “Transfer Taxes” shall mean any federal, state, provincial, county, local, foreign and other sales, value added (including HST), excise, use, transfer, conveyance, documentary transfer, land or real property transfer, recording, filing or other similar Tax, fee, duty or charge imposed upon the sale, transfer or assignment of property or any interest therein or the recording thereof, and any penalty, addition to Tax or interest with respect thereto.

“Transition Services Agreement” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.18.

“Treasury Regulations” shall mean the regulations promulgated under the Code, as such regulations may be amended from time to time.

“Undisclosed Contract” shall have the meaning given to such term in Section 2.7(g).

“Unsecured Note” shall have the meaning given to such term in Recital A.

“Updated Cure Amount Schedule” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.7(f).

“U.S. Assignment Order” shall mean an order or orders of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court pursuant to applicable provisions of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, in form and substance acceptable to Buyer, authorizing and approving, among other things, the assumption and assignment of any Assumed U.S. Contract, the cure of any defaults arising under such

Assumed U.S. Contracts, including those arising from the U.S. Proceedings, the CCAA Proceeding or the insolvency of the Sellers.

“U.S. Bankruptcy Court” shall have the meaning set forth in Recital F.

“U.S. Equity Seller” shall have the meaning set forth in Recital B.

“U.S. Patriot Act” shall mean Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism (USA Patriot Act of 2001).

“U.S. Proceedings” shall have the meaning set forth in Recital F.

“U.S. SpokeCo” shall have the meaning set forth in Recital B.

“U.S. Transferred Entity” shall have the meaning set forth in Recital B.

“U.S. Transferred Equity Interests” shall have the meaning set forth in Recital B.

“WARN Act” shall mean the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act of 1988, as amended, and any successor Law, and the rules and regulations thereunder and under any successor Law, and any comparable Law under the Laws of any applicable state, country, or other jurisdiction.

1.2 Other Definitional Provisions.

(a) (i) The terms “hereof,” “herein,” “hereby,” “hereto,” and derivative or similar words refer to this entire Agreement, including the Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule, schedules and Exhibits thereto, (ii) the terms “thereof,” “therein,” “thereby,” “thereto” and derivative or similar words refer to this Agreement to which the context refers, including the Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule, schedules and Exhibits thereto, (iii) the terms “include,” “includes,” “including” and words of similar import when used in this Agreement mean “including, without limitation” unless otherwise specified, (iv) the term “any” means “any and all” and (v) the term “or” shall not be exclusive and shall mean “and/or”.

(b) The meanings given to terms defined herein shall be equally applicable to both singular and plural forms of such terms.

(c) Words denoting any gender shall include all genders. Where a word or phrase is defined herein, each of its other grammatical forms shall have a corresponding meaning.

(d) A reference to any Person shall include such Person’s successors and permitted assigns.

(e) Unless the context otherwise requires, the word “extent” in the phrase “to the extent” means the degree to which a subject or other thing extends, and such phrase does not mean simply “if”.

(f) References herein to any Law shall be deemed to refer to such Law as amended, modified, codified, reenacted, replaced, supplemented or superseded in whole or in part and in effect from time to time, including any successor legislation thereto, and also to all rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and references to any section or other provision of a Law means that section or provision of such Law in effect from time to time and constituting the substantive amendment, modification, codification, reenactment, replacement or supplement of such section or other provision.

(g) References herein to any contract mean such contract as amended, supplemented or modified (including any waiver thereto).

(h) All references to “\$” and dollars shall be deemed to refer to the currency of the United States of America. All references to “CHF”, “Fr.”, “SFr.” and francs shall be deemed to refer to the currency of Switzerland. All references to “€”, “EUR” and euros shall be deemed to refer to the euro.

(i) (i) The provision of a table of contents, the division into Articles, Sections and other subdivisions and the insertion of headings are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect or be utilized in construing or interpreting this Agreement and (ii) references to the terms “Article,” “Section,” “subsection,” “subclause,” “clause,” “Schedule” and “Exhibit” are references to the Articles, Sections, subsections, subclauses, clauses, Schedules and Exhibits to this Agreement unless otherwise specified.

(j) Any statement in this Agreement to the effect that any information, document or other material has been “furnished,” “delivered” or “made available” to Buyer or any of its Representatives means that such information, document or other material was posted to the electronic data room hosted by or on behalf of the Sellers at SharePoint in connection with the Transaction no later than 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time on the date that is two (2) Business Days prior to the date hereof and has been made available on a continuous basis by or on behalf of the Sellers for review therein by Buyer and its Representatives since such time.

(k) When calculating the period of time before which, within which or following which any act is to be done or step taken pursuant to this Agreement, the date that is referenced in beginning the calculation of such period will be excluded (for example, if an action is to be taken within two (2) days after a triggering event and such event occurs on a Tuesday, then the action must be taken by Thursday); if the applicable provision calculates the period of time using Business Days and the last day of such period is a non-Business Day, the period in question will end on the next succeeding Business Day.

(l) References to “days” means calendar days unless Business Days are expressly specified.

(m) If the last day for the giving of any notice or the performance of any act required or permitted under this Agreement is a day that is not a Business Day, then the time for the giving of such notice or the performance of such action shall be extended to the next succeeding Business Day.

(n) With respect to the determination of any period of time, the word “from” or “since” means “from and including” or “since and including,” as applicable, and the words “to” and “until” each means “to but excluding”.

(o) References to “written” or “in writing” include in electronic form (including by e-mail transmission or electronic communication by portable document format (.pdf)).

(p) Each Party has participated in the negotiation and drafting of this Agreement, and if an ambiguity or question of interpretation should arise, this Agreement shall be construed as if drafted jointly by the Parties and no presumption or burden of proof shall arise favoring or burdening any Party by virtue of the authorship of any provision in this Agreement; the language used in this Agreement will be deemed to be the language chosen by the Parties to express their mutual intent, and no rule of strict construction will be applied against any Party. Further, prior drafts of this Agreement or any ancillary agreements, schedules or exhibits thereto or the fact that any clauses have been added, deleted or otherwise modified from any prior drafts of this Agreement or any ancillary agreements, schedules or exhibits hereto shall not be used as an aide of construction or otherwise constitute evidence of the intent of the Parties; and no presumption or burden of proof shall arise favoring or disfavoring any Party by virtue of such prior drafts.

ARTICLE II

TRANSFER OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

2.1 Purchase and Sale of Transferred Equity Interests.

(a) At the Closing, and subject to and on the terms and conditions set forth herein and in the Approval and Vesting Order and subject to entry of the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order, the U.S. Equity Seller shall sell, convey, assign, transfer and deliver to Buyer (or an Affiliate of Buyer designated in accordance with Section 10.2), and Buyer (or an Affiliate of Buyer designated in accordance with Section 10.2) shall purchase, acquire and accept from the U.S. Equity Seller, all of the U.S. Equity Seller’s right, title and interest (including the legal title and beneficial interest) in and to the U.S. Transferred Equity Interests, free and clear of all Claims and Encumbrances, other than the restrictions on transfer arising under applicable securities Laws.

(b) At the Closing, and subject to and on the terms and conditions set forth herein and in the Approval and Vesting Order, Seller Parent shall sell, convey, assign, transfer and deliver to Buyer (or an Affiliate of Buyer designated in accordance with Section 10.2), and Buyer (or an Affiliate of Buyer designated in accordance with Section 10.2) shall purchase, acquire and accept from Seller Parent, all of Seller Parent’s right, title and interest (including the legal title and beneficial interest) in and to the Swiss Transferred Equity Interests, free and clear of all Claims and Encumbrances, other than the restrictions on transfer arising under applicable securities Laws. The economic benefit and risk (*Nutzen und Gefahr*) with respect to the Swiss Transferred Equity Interest shall pass to Buyer (or an Affiliate of Buyer designated in accordance with Section 10.2) with effect at the Closing.

2.2 Purchased Assets. Upon Closing, and subject to and on the terms and conditions set forth herein and in the Approval and Vesting Order and subject to entry of the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order, each Asset Seller shall sell, convey, assign, transfer and deliver to Buyer (or such Affiliate(s) of Buyer designated in accordance with Section 10.2), and Buyer (or such Affiliate(s) designated in accordance with Section 10.2) shall purchase, acquire and accept from such Asset Seller, all of the right, title and interest of such Asset Seller, free and clear of all Claims (other than the Assumed Liabilities) and Encumbrances (other than Permitted Encumbrances), to all of the assets, properties, and rights (whether tangible or intangible) owned, used, held for use, leased, or otherwise employed by such Asset Seller and related to the Business and the operation thereof (other than the Excluded Assets (as defined herein)), as the same shall exist immediately prior to the Closing (the “Purchased Assets”), including:

(a) all deposits, credits, and prepaid charges and expenses from whatever source paid;

(b) all accounts receivable, including Seller Parent Receivable, the receivables of Seller Parent under the Intercompany Loans and those other receivables due and owing from any Transferred Entity that are not otherwise extinguished in accordance with Section 6.16;

(c) all Claims against any Person other than the Sellers and arising from or with respect to the Business, including all Avoidance Actions, and including, all Claims that the Asset Sellers may have against any Person (including Governmental Entities), other than the Sellers, for refund or credit of any type solely with respect to Taxes arising from or with respect to the Business accrued with respect to periods ending on or prior to the Closing Date;

(d) all royalties, advances, prepaid assets, and other current assets;

(e) all Insurance Proceeds;

(f) all raw materials, packaging or other materials, work-in-process, finished goods, supplies, goods in transit, and other inventories, wherever located, including any such raw materials, work-in-process, finished goods, supplies and other inventories being held by (i) customers of the Business pursuant to consignment arrangements or (ii) suppliers of the Business under tolling arrangements (collectively, the “Inventory”);

(g) all machinery, furniture, fixtures, furnishings, equipment, tooling, tools, dies, molds, and other tangible personal property owned or used or held for use in the conduct of the Business, including all artwork, desks, chairs, tables, hardware, copiers, telephone lines and numbers, facsimile machines and other telecommunication equipment, cubicles and miscellaneous office furnishings and supplies;

(h) all rights under or pursuant to all warranties, representations and guarantees, including those made by suppliers, manufacturers and contractors or any other third party to and for the benefit of the Asset Sellers;

(i) all Leased Real Property, Owned Real Property, all leasehold improvements (to the extent of the Asset Sellers’s rights thereto under the Assumed Leases) together with all rights in respect thereof (including, to the extent assignable, all assignable or transferable, all

options and rights of first refusal) and all tenements, hereditaments, appurtenances, and other property rights appertaining thereto;

(j) all current and prior insurance policies, to the extent transferable, all rights of any nature with respect to any such insurance policy, including any recoveries thereunder any rights to assert claims seeking any such recoveries, other than: (i) with respect to pending claims under any such insurance policies relating to any Excluded Assets; and (ii) any directors and officers insurance policies;

(k) all Permits, including all Environmental Permits, other than those not transferrable or assignable under the CCAA or other Law, including Environmental Law;

(l) all Assumed Contracts, including all Assumed Leases;

(m) copies or originals of all books, records, files or papers, whether in hard copy or electronic format, relating to the Purchased Assets, the Transferred Entities or to the Business, including emails, advertising and marketing materials, sales and promotional literature, manuals and data, correspondence (including sales and purchase correspondence), customer lists, vendor lists, mailing lists, other distribution lists, catalogues, research material, know-how, specifications, designs, drawings, processes and quality control data, if any, or any other intangible property and applications for the same, engineering information, test results, plans, personnel and employment records (to the extent permitted by applicable Law), technical information, diagrams, maintenance schedules, operating and production records, safety and environmental reports, data, studies and documents, fixed asset ledgers, accounting information, copies of Tax Returns (other than any Consolidated Tax Returns or any Tax Returns of any direct or indirect owner of Seller Parent), including any exemption or abatement agreements or certifications and supporting documentation for such Tax Returns (collectively, the “Books and Records”);

(n) all rights under non-disclosure or confidentiality, non-compete or non-solicitation agreements with Hired Employees and agents of the Asset Sellers or with third parties (including any non-disclosure or confidentiality, non-compete, or non-solicitation agreement entered into in connection with the SISP);

(o) the backlog of unfilled firm orders for the Inventory sold by the Asset Sellers as of Closing;

(p) any loans owed to any Asset Seller by any Hired Employee;

(q) all Transferred Intellectual Property;

(r) all other assets or rights of every kind and description of any Asset Seller related to the Business, wherever located, whether real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible, including as set forth on Section 2.2(r) of Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule; and

(s) all goodwill related to the foregoing.

At any time prior to the Closing Date, Buyer may, in its sole discretion and by written notice to the Sellers and the Monitor, designate any of the Transferred Assets as additional

Excluded Assets and automatically, without further action by any Party, such assets shall be Excluded Assets for all purposes under this Agreement. Buyer acknowledges and agrees that there shall be no reduction in the Purchase Price if it elects to designate any Transferred Assets as Excluded Assets pursuant to the operation of this section.

If pursuant to this Section 2.2, Buyer delivers written notice to the Sellers and the Monitor of its exercise of the Rochester Option, then the Credit Bid Amount shall be increased by the Incremental Winddown Amount as provided in Section 3.2.

2.3 Purchase and Sale of Transferred Intellectual Property. Upon Closing, and subject to and on the terms and conditions set forth herein and in the Approval and Vesting Order, each Intellectual Property Seller shall sell, convey, assign, transfer and deliver to an Affiliate of Buyer organized under the Laws of Canada or any Province thereof (the “Canadian Buyer”) and the Canadian Buyer, shall purchase, acquire and accept from the applicable Intellectual Property Seller, all of the right, title and interest of the Transferred Intellectual Property, free and clear of all Claims (other than the Assumed Liabilities) and Encumbrances (other than Permitted Encumbrances), in, to and under, all of the Transferred Intellectual Property.

2.4 Excluded Assets. Notwithstanding anything herein contained to the contrary, from and after the Closing, the following assets and properties of the Asset Sellers (collectively, the “Excluded Assets”) shall remain the exclusive property of the Asset Sellers and shall be excluded from the Transferred Assets:

(a) all Contracts set forth on Section 2.4(a) of the Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule (the “Excluded Contracts”);

(b) accounts receivable to the extent arising exclusively out of any Excluded Asset (including any Excluded Contract) or any intercompany accounts receivable due and owing from any Affiliate of any Asset Seller (other than any Transferred Entity);

(c) all Claims that the Sellers may have against any Person (other than Buyer and its Affiliates) with respect to any Excluded Assets;

(d) all rights under or pursuant to all warranties, representations and guarantees under any Excluded Contract, including those made by suppliers, manufacturers and contractors or any other third party to and for the benefit of the Asset Sellers, but in each case solely to the extent the underlying equipment, component product or other asset provided under that Excluded Contract is also an Excluded Asset;

(e) all rights under non-disclosure or confidentiality, non-compete or non-solicitation agreements that are listed on Section 2.4(e) of the Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule;

(f) all rights of any nature with respect to any insurance policy, including any recoveries thereunder any rights to assert claims seeking any such recoveries to the extent such policy is an Excluded Asset;

(g) all rights of the Sellers under this Agreement and the agreements and instruments delivered to the Sellers by Buyer pursuant to this Agreement;

(h) subject to Section 6.3, the company seal, minute books, charter documents, stock or equity record books and such other books and records solely as pertain to the organization, existence or capitalization of the Sellers;

(i) the Sellers' directors and officers liability insurance policies, if any;

(j) all executive or incentive compensation, bonus, deferred compensation, pension, profit sharing, severance, retirement, savings, retirement, stock option, stock purchase, group life, health or accident insurance or other Benefit Plan, including the Seller Parent's 2021 Incentive Award Plan (the "Parent LTIP") and (i) the amended and restated long-term incentive plan of Li-Cycle Corp. and the (ii) amended and restated stock option plan of Li-Cycle Corp. (collectively, the "Parent Legacy Plans");

(k) all equity interests in or securities of any Seller or any other Person, including options, restricted stock units warrants or other securities exchangeable or convertible into equity interests of any Seller or any other Person (other than the Transferred Entities);

(l) other than the Transferred Entities, the equity interests of any Person, including the Carve-out Entities;

(m) all cash, money orders, third-party checks, wire transfers and any other funds of the Asset Sellers, commercial paper, marketable securities, demand deposits, reserves for taxes, certificates of deposit and other bank deposits, deposits of the Asset Sellers with any third-party (including any vendor, manufacturer, customer, utility or landlord or other cash deposits for rent, electricity, telephone or otherwise), treasury bills, and other cash equivalents and liquid investments (collectively, the "Excluded Cash"); and

(n) all assets owned or used by the Sellers that are specifically identified in Section 2.4(n) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

2.5 Assumed Liabilities. On the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement and the Approval and Vesting Order, and subject to entry of the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order and the exclusions set forth in Section 2.6 (and in the event of any conflict between the exclusions set forth in Section 2.6 and the provisions of this Section 2.5, the exclusions set forth in Section 2.6 shall prevail), as partial consideration for the Transferred Assets, Buyer (or an Affiliate of Buyer designated in accordance with Section 10.2) shall, on and after the Closing, assume and thereafter timely pay and perform only the following Liabilities of the Sellers (the "Assumed Liabilities"):

(a) all Liabilities arising under the Assumed Contracts to the extent that any such Liabilities under such Assumed Contracts: (i) arise from periods occurring on or after the Closing and relating to (and only to the extent related to) facts, circumstances or events first arising, on or after the Closing; (ii) do not arise from a breach, violation or default of such Assumed Contract by any Seller prior to the Closing, or in connection with, any event, circumstance or condition occurring or existing at or prior to the Closing that, with or without notice or lapse of time, would constitute or result in a breach, violation or default under applicable Law or any such Assumed Contracts; and (iii) are not required to be performed prior to the Closing;

(b) the Cure Amounts;

(c) all Debt set forth on Section 2.5(c) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule (the "Assumed Debt Obligations");

(d) all Liabilities relating to Buyer's or the Canadian Buyer's ownership or operation of the Business (including all Liabilities with respect to the Purchased Assets and the Transferred Intellectual Property), as the case may be, to the extent (i) arising from periods occurring on or after the Closing and relating to (and only to the extent related to) facts, circumstances or events first arising, on or after the Closing or as otherwise imposed under applicable Law; and (ii) not arising from a breach, violation or default by any Seller prior to the Closing, or in connection with, any event, circumstance or condition occurring or existing at or prior to the Closing that, with or without notice or lapse of time, would constitute or result in a breach, violation or default under applicable Law or any such Assumed Contracts;

(e) all Liabilities and obligations of Buyer as expressly set out in Section 6.7;
and

(f) all Accrued Wages with respect to Hired Employees.

2.6 Excluded Liabilities. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, none of Buyer, the Canadian Buyer, or any of their respective Affiliates shall assume, and shall not be deemed to have assumed, and the Sellers shall be solely and exclusively liable with respect to, all Liabilities of any Seller or any of its Affiliates (other than the Transferred Entities) or any of their respective predecessors other than the Assumed Liabilities (collectively, the "Excluded Liabilities"). For the avoidance of doubt, and without limiting the foregoing, none of Buyer, the Canadian Buyer, or any of their respective Affiliates shall assume or be obligated to assume, or otherwise be liable for, any of the Excluded Liabilities, including all of the following Liabilities of any Seller or any of its Affiliates (other than the Transferred Entities or any of their respective predecessors) (each of which shall constitute an Excluded Liability hereunder):

(a) any Liability for Taxes of the Sellers, whether in respect of the period before, on or after the Closing including any Liability resulting from any Tax assets, Tax refunds, Tax payments, Tax credits, or other Tax attributes (including any amounts that are owed or may become owing to the Sellers from any Taxing Authority and any Claims in respect thereof) ("Tax Attributes") of any Seller, and including, for greater certainty, any Transfer Taxes properly payable by the Sellers under applicable Law in respect of the transfer and issuance of the Transferred Assets in consideration for the Credit Bid Amount or any refunds of Taxes relating thereto, any Tax liability of any Seller (or any person related to it) for which any of the Sellers may have joint or several liability under the Tax Act or the Code, whether occurring before or after the Closing Date and whether assessed or not but excluding any Tax Attributes relating to, or attributable to, the Transferred Entities;

(b) any Liability in connection with or arising from or relating to: (i) any Excluded Asset, including any Taxes associated therewith; (ii) the operations of the Business prior to Closing; and (iii) the operations of the Sellers, including Seller Parent and their Affiliates in

Canada, France, Hungary, Norway and the United Kingdom, in each case, whether prior to, on or after the Closing;

- (c) except for the Assumed Debt Obligations, any Debt;
- (d) any Liability for any intercompany accounts payable to any Seller;
- (e) any fees, costs and expenses (including legal, expert, consultant, financial advisory, and accounting fees) incurred by any Seller in connection with the CCAA Proceeding or the Transaction, including all fees, costs and expenses incurred in connection with or by virtue of:
 - (i) the negotiation, preparation and review of this Agreement, the DIP Term Sheet and all agreements ancillary or related hereto or thereto; and
 - (ii) the preparation and submission of any filing or notice required to be made or given in connection with the Transaction, and the obtaining of any of the Consents and Approvals required to be obtained in connection with the Transaction;
- (f) any Liabilities arising under or pursuant to Environmental Laws;
- (g) any Liabilities arising under or pursuant to Labor Laws and arising prior to the Closing, other than the Accrued Wages;
- (h) any Liabilities (i) relating to the Hired Employees and their dependents and beneficiaries (and any alternate payees in respect thereof) arising during or in connection with periods on or prior to the Closing Date other than those Liabilities expressly assumed pursuant to Section 2.5(f), (ii) relating to all other current or former employees, directors, consultants or candidates for employment and other individual service providers of the Sellers or their Affiliates and their dependents and beneficiaries (and any alternate payees in respect thereof) arising at any time, in each case, including any severance, termination or payment in lieu of notice Liability and the employer portion of any payroll, social security or unemployment Tax arising in connection therewith, and (iii) other than those Liabilities expressly assumed pursuant to Section 2.5(f), arising under or out of any Law or Contract in connection with such Person's employment, service or Contract with, or the termination of such Person's employment, service or Contract with, any Seller or its Affiliates (other than the Transferred Entities);
- (i) any Liabilities and obligations relating to or with respect to the Benefit Plans including all executive or incentive compensation, bonus, deferred compensation, pension, profit sharing, severance, retirement, savings, retirement, stock option, stock purchase, group life, health or accident insurance or other Benefit Plan, including the Parent LTIP and the Parent Legacy Plans;
- (j) any success, retention, stay, change of control, transaction bonuses, incentive equity awards, or similar bonuses and any other payments or benefits owing to current or former employees, independent contractors or consultants of the Sellers or their Affiliates in connection with the consummation of the Transaction (including amounts or benefits payable pursuant to a "Key Employee Incentive Plan" or "Key Employee Retention Plan", or any other arrangements with employees or consultants, that are, authorized and approved by the CCAA Court), including any employer portion of any payroll, social security or similar Taxes in respect thereof;

(k) any Liability of any Seller arising out of this Agreement or any agreement ancillary or related hereto or otherwise in respect of the Transaction;

(l) except to the extent included in the Assumed Liabilities, any Liabilities arising out of or relating to the Business (other than the Transferred Entities), the Transferred Assets, the Transferred Intellectual Property or the ownership, operation or conduct thereof prior to the Closing;

(m) any Liabilities other than the Cure Amounts for accrued expenses and accounts payable of the Business (other than the Transferred Entities), except to the extent arising on or after the Filing Date and included in Assumed Liabilities under Section 2.5;

(n) any Liabilities arising as a result of any Proceeding, whether initiated prior to or following the Closing, to the extent related to the Business (other than the Transferred Entities) or the Transferred Assets prior to the Closing, including any actions for breach of contract, violations of Law, product liability or any tort actions;

(o) any Liabilities arising out of any outstanding severance obligations of the Sellers with respect to or arising from the termination of employment of any prior to the Closing and the employer portion of any payroll, social security or unemployment Tax arising in connection therewith; and

(p) any Liabilities to the extent not otherwise expressly assumed pursuant to Section 2.5 incurred subsequent to the Filing Date and prior to the Closing.

2.7 Assumption and Assignment of Assumed Contracts.

(a) Section 2.7(a) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule lists the Assumed Contracts (including Assumed Leases) to be assumed and assigned to Buyer (or its designated Affiliate) on the Closing Date. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, but subject to Section 2.7(e), Buyer may, from time to time prior to the Closing Date (or, in the case of any Undisclosed Contract, the Designation Deadline), and in its sole discretion, upon written notice to the Sellers and the Monitor, amend or revise Section 2.7(a) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule to eliminate any Contract of any Asset Seller therefrom, or to add any Contract of any Asset Seller thereto. Automatically upon such addition of any Contract of any Asset Seller by Buyer in accordance with the previous sentence, such Contract shall be an Assumed Contract for all purposes of this Agreement. Automatically upon any the deletion of any Contract by Buyer in accordance with the second sentence of this Section 2.7, such Contract shall be an Excluded Asset for all purposes of this Agreement, and no Liabilities arising thereunder or relating thereto shall be assumed by Buyer (or its designated Affiliate) or Canadian Buyer or be the Liability or responsibility of Buyer (or its designated Affiliate) or Canadian Buyer, in each case, until and unless Buyer restores such eliminated Contract to Section 2.7(a) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule in accordance with the second sentence of this Section 2.7. At Buyer's reasonable request, the Sellers shall make reasonably available to Buyer (or its Affiliates) the appropriate employees of the Sellers necessary to discuss the outstanding Contracts to which any Seller or any of its Affiliates is a party.

(b) Promptly following the date hereof, the Sellers shall use best efforts to obtain in writing all Consents and Approvals that are required from contractual counterparties to assign the Assumed Contracts to Buyer and shall continue to use such best efforts as Section 2.7(a) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule is updated. Copies of all such Consents and Approvals obtained by the Sellers shall be delivered to Buyer forthwith upon being obtained and, in any event, not later than the date of the hearing to obtain the Approval and Vesting Order.

(c) To the extent that any Assumed Contract is not assignable without the consent of the counterparty or any other Person, and such consent has not been obtained prior to the hearing before the CCAA Court for the Sellers' motion for the Approval and Vesting Order (or, with respect to any Undisclosed Contract, a subsequent hearing) and such Assumed Contract is one that is capable of being assigned pursuant to section 11.3 of the CCAA or the equivalent provisions of the Bankruptcy Code: (i) such Sellers' rights, benefits and interests in, to and under such Assumed Contract may be assigned to Buyer pursuant to the Approval and Vesting Order or further order made pursuant to section 11.3 of the CCAA or the equivalent provisions of the Bankruptcy Code (provided such further order is in form and substance acceptable to Buyer) (each, a "Further Order"); (ii) such Seller shall use best efforts to obtain the Approval and Vesting Order or such Further Order on such terms as are necessary to give effect to such assignment and on requisite notice to the affected contractual counterparty(ies) and in such form and substance acceptable to Buyer; and (iii) if such assignment occurs, Buyer shall accept the assignment of such Assumed Contract on the terms provided by the Approval and Vesting Order or such Further Order.

(d) Unless the Parties otherwise agree, to the extent that any Cure Amount is payable with respect to any Assumed Contract, Buyer shall, where such Assumed Contract is assigned pursuant to the Approval and Vesting Order or such Further Order, pay such Cure Amount in accordance with such order, or as otherwise may be agreed to by Buyer and such counterparty, and following such payment, none of Buyer, the Canadian Buyer or any Affiliate thereof shall have any Liability therefor.

(e) Promptly (and in no event fewer than five (5) Business Days) following the date hereof, (i) the Sellers shall deliver to Buyer a schedule (the "Cure Amounts Schedule") that contains a true and complete list of each counterparty to each Assumed Contract to which any Asset Seller is a party and is related to, used in or necessary for the operations of the Business (as conducted prior to February 26, 2025) or the construction of the Hub and the Sellers' good faith estimate of the Cure Amount payable with respect to such Assumed Contract, the currency in which each payment obligation is to be settled (and a conversion to United States dollars for obligations denominated in another currency) and payment details for each counterparty (which details may be separately provided instead of included in the Cure Costs Schedule) and (ii) shall file with the CCAA Court and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court and serve a written notice (each, a "Cure Notice") to the non-Seller counterparty to each Contract listed on the Cure Amounts Schedule that requires the non-Seller counterparty to respond to such notice by a deadline or be bound to the Cure Amount in such notice. From time to time, Seller Parent shall update such Cure Amounts Schedule to reflect any finally determined Cure Amounts (whether by Court Order pursuant to section 11.3 of the CCAA or equivalent provisions of the Bankruptcy Code or as mutually agreed among the applicable Seller, Buyer and the third-party thereto) (the "Updated Cure Amount Schedule").

(f) If any objections are timely filed by, or received from, any non-Seller counterparty in response to a Cure Notice, the Sellers, in consultation with the Buyer, shall take all reasonably necessary actions to resolve any such objections with such non-Seller counterparty; provided that any and all such resolutions with respect to any Assumed Contract shall be acceptable to Buyer. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, (i) Buyer shall be entitled to designate any Contract set forth on the Cure Amount Schedule (as may be updated from time to time) that is subject to a cure dispute (a “Disputed Contract”), as an Excluded Contract, by providing written notice (email being sufficient) to Seller Parent at any time during the pendency of the dispute and, in any event, no later than the earlier of (x) within five (5) Business Days after the date on which such dispute has been finally determined either by mutual agreement among the applicable Seller, Buyer and the third-party thereto or by Further Order or (y) the date Seller Parent ceases to exist (such date, the “Designation Deadline”), (ii) the Sellers shall not seek any order to abridge the foregoing rights of Buyer, and (iii) Buyer shall not be obligated, under any circumstances, to pay any Cure Amounts on account of any such disputed Contract that is designated an Excluded Contract pursuant to this Section 2.7. Absent such designation, Sellers shall be deemed to have assumed and assigned such disputed Contract in accordance with the terms hereof applicable to Assumed Contracts on the Designation Deadline and Sellers shall enter into and deliver such necessary assignment and assumptions agreements, if any, to reflect the transfer of such Contract to Buyer (or its designated Affiliate) or Canadian Buyer, as applicable.

(g) If, at any time prior to the Closing Date, any Party becomes aware that it is a party to a Contract of any Asset Seller that is not listed on the Cure Amount Schedule (each, an “Undisclosed Contract”), any Party will update the Cure Amount Schedule with respect to such Undisclosed Contract and (i) file with the CCAA Court and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court and serve a such updated schedule, and (ii) serve, a Cure Notice, which notice shall include such updated schedule, to the non-Seller counterparty to such Undisclosed Contract. If any objection period with respect to such Undisclosed Contract expires on or after the Closing Date, such Undisclosed Contract shall be deemed a Contract subject to a cure dispute for purposes of Section 2.7(f) and Buyer shall have all rights with respect to such Contract as set forth in Section 2.7 as if a cure objection had been filed, or received from, any non-Seller counterparty in response to a Cure Notice in advance of the Closing Date.

(h) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, from and after the date hereof through the Closing, the Sellers will not reject or take any action (or fail to take any action that would result in rejection by operation of Law) to reject, repudiate or disclaim any Contract without the prior written consent of Buyer.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, this Agreement shall not constitute an agreement to assign or transfer any Transferred Asset or any claim or right or any benefit arising thereunder or resulting therefrom if an attempted assignment or transfer thereof, without the consent of a third party (including any Government Entity), would constitute a breach or other contravention thereof or a violation of applicable Law or Order of the CCAA Court or the U.S. Bankruptcy Court. If, on the Closing Date, any such consent has not been obtained, or if an attempted transfer or assignment thereof would be ineffective or a violation of applicable Law or Order of the CCAA Court or the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, or, in the case of any Disputed Contract, the applicable Seller and Buyer will, subject to Section 6.8 and Section 6.9, cooperate in good faith to enter into a mutually agreeable arrangement under which, for up to

six (6) months following Closing or until such earlier date upon which the applicable Seller ceases to exist, (i) Buyer would, in compliance with applicable Law or Order of the CCAA Court or the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, obtain the benefits and assume the obligations and bear the economic burdens associated with such Transferred Asset in accordance with this Agreement, including, for example (and without limitation of other similar arrangements being employed instead and in place thereof), by subcontracting, sublicensing or subleasing such Transferred Asset to Buyer or (ii) the Sellers would enforce for the benefit (and at the expense) of Buyer any and all of the Sellers' rights, claims or benefit against a third party associated with such Transferred Asset and the Sellers would promptly pay to Buyer when received all monies received by them under any such Transferred Asset, claim, right or benefit (net of the Sellers' expenses incurred in connection with any assignment or other performance contemplated by this Section 2.7(h)).

ARTICLE III

CLOSING AND PURCHASE PRICE

3.1 Closing; Transfer of Possession; Certain Deliveries.

(a) Unless this Agreement shall have been terminated pursuant to Article IX, the Closing shall take place at 10:00 a.m. (Eastern Standard Time) on the date (the "Closing Date") that is three (3) Business Days after all the conditions set forth in Article VIII shall have been satisfied or waived (excluding, but subject to the satisfaction or waiver of, conditions that, by their nature, are to be satisfied at the Closing), or such other time or date as agreed to in writing by the Parties. The Closing shall take place by telephone conference and electronic exchange of documents (or, if the Parties agree to hold a physical Closing, at the offices of Torys LLP, 79 Wellington St. W., Toronto, ON M5K 1N2), unless otherwise mutually agreed to by the Parties. The Closing shall be effective as of 12:01 a.m. on the date of delivery by the Monitor's of the Monitor Certificate pursuant to Section 8.5(a).

(b) At the Closing, the Sellers shall deliver, or shall cause to be delivered, to Buyer (or an Affiliate of Buyer designated in accordance with Section 10.2) the following:

(i) a counterpart to the Bill of Sale and Assignment and Assumption Agreement in the form attached hereto as Exhibit E (the "Bill of Sale and Assignment and Assumption Agreement"), duly executed by the Asset Sellers;

(ii) a counterpart to the Mutual Release Agreement duly executed by each applicable Seller;

(iii) subject to Section 6.18, if requested by Buyer prior to the date which is fifteen (15) Business Days prior to the Closing, a counterpart to the Transition Services Agreement, duly executed by each applicable Seller;

(iv) valid written assignments covering all of the Transferred Intellectual Property (*i.e.*, one (1) or more assignments of the Owned Intellectual Property and valid written assignments of each IP License relating to the Licensed Intellectual Property), in

each case, in a form reasonably acceptable to Buyer, duly executed by each Intellectual Property Seller (and where applicable, each upstream licensor under any such IP License);

(v) certificates evidencing the Transferred Equity Interests, duly endorsed in blank or accompanied by stock powers duly executed in blank, or other duly executed instruments of transfer as required by applicable Laws or otherwise to validly transfer title in and to the Transferred Equity Interests;

(vi) a copy of the duly signed combined share register and register of beneficial owners of the Swiss Entity reflecting Buyer as the sole shareholder with full voting rights;

(vii) letters of resignation, or other evidence of the removal, of those directors and officers (or equivalent) of the Transferred Entities as specified by Buyer, with such resignations to be effective as of the Closing Date or any such date thereafter as specified by Buyer;

(viii) evidence of a change in the signatories of each bank, deposit, lock-box or cash collection account that is a Transferred Asset, to a signatory or signatories specified by Buyer, with such change in signatories to be effective as of the Closing Date;

(ix) copies of resolutions duly adopted by the board of directors or other applicable governing body of each Seller authorizing and approving the execution and delivery of this Agreement, and the consummation of the Transaction, and Rule 16b-3 under the Exchange Act resolutions contemplated by Section 6.20, certified as true and in full force and effect as of the Closing Date by a duly authorized officer of each Seller;

(x) a certificate of a duly authorized officer of each Seller dated the Closing Date certifying as to the matters set forth in Section 8.1(a), Section 8.1(b), Section 8.1(d) and Section 8.3(h);

(xi) customary deeds with respect to the Owned Real Property, assignment of the Assumed Leases, and any other documents as reasonably requested by Buyer with respect to the Real Property including without limitation, title affidavit(s) in the form required for the title company to issue title insurance free and clear of all Claims (other than the Assumed Liabilities) and Encumbrances (other than Permitted Encumbrances);

(xii) a true copy of each of the Approval and Vesting Order and the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order;

(xiii) reasonable documentation evidencing that the Sellers properly withheld and remitted applicable Taxes on the DIP Facility and any Intercompany Loans imposed under the Tax Act and any other applicable Laws;

(xiv) a properly completed and executed IRS Form W-9 from the U.S. Equity Seller;

(xv) a counterpart to each Pre-Acquisition Reorganization Document, duly executed by Seller Parent or its applicable Affiliate; and

(xvi) such other closing instruments and certificates as may be reasonably requested by Buyer, in each case, in form and substance reasonably acceptable to Buyer.

(c) At the Closing, Buyer shall deliver, or shall cause to be delivered to the Sellers, the following:

(i) a written confirmation by Buyer that: (A) amounts outstanding under the applicable Credit Documents equal, in the aggregate, to the Credit Bid Amount have been deducted from the total obligations outstanding thereunder, which confirmation shall, identify the relevant Credit Documents from which such Credit Bid Amount was so deducted and setting forth the remaining balance under each such Credit Document as of such date (which shall be conclusive and determinative of such balance absent manifest error) and (B) the Assumed Debt Obligations of each Seller under the applicable Credit Documents is released;

(ii) a counterpart to the Bill of Sale and Assignment and Assumption Agreement, duly executed by Buyer;

(iii) a counterpart to the Mutual Release Agreement, duly executed by Buyer;

(iv) a copy of the notification to the Swiss Entity regarding beneficial ownership relating to Buyer in accordance with article 697j of the Swiss Code of Obligations;

(v) if requested by Buyer prior to the date which is fifteen (15) Business Days prior to the Closing, a counterpart to the Transition Services Agreement, duly executed by each applicable Seller;

(vi) any consent of Buyer under the Credit Documents required in connection with the Transaction;

(vii) a counterpart to each Pre-Acquisition Reorganization Document, duly executed by Buyer or its applicable Affiliate; and

(viii) a certificate of a duly authorized officer of Buyer dated the Closing Date, certifying as to the matters set forth in Section 8.2(a) and Section 8.2(b).

3.2 Purchase Price and Deposit. The Purchase Price for the Transferred Assets and the Transferred Equity Interests is (a) Forty Million Dollars (\$40,000,000), comprised of (i) all amounts outstanding under the DIP Facility as of the Closing Date (including, if any Rochester Option is exercised, the applicable Incremental Winddown Amount) (the "Credit Bid Amount") and (ii) the assumption by Buyer (or its designated Affiliate) of the Assumed Debt Obligations *plus*; (b) the assumption by Buyer (or its designated Affiliate) of the other Assumed Liabilities; *plus* (c) the Purchase Price Cash Component, *plus* (d) the Carve-out Condition Amount. The Credit Bid Amount payable under clause (i) above shall be paid by means of a credit against (A) first, all amounts owing under the DIP Term Sheet and (B) second, the principal amount of the secured Convertible Note Obligations in accordance with Section 3.1(c)(i). The Purchase Price Cash Component shall be paid by Buyer to Seller Parent in cash at Closing. Any Carve-Out Condition Amount shall be paid by Buyer to the Swiss Entity in cash at Closing. For the avoidance

of doubt, all Convertible Note Obligations, other than the amounts satisfied pursuant to the preceding sentence and the amount assumed by Buyer as Assumed Liabilities in accordance with Section 2.5(c), shall remain outstanding against Seller Parent following the Closing. The Purchase Price Cash Component and the Carve-out Condition Amount shall be paid in cash of immediately available funds, to the account or account(s) designated by the Sellers in writing five (5) Business Days prior to the Closing.

3.3 Allocation of Purchase Price. The Parties agree that (i) the purchase of the U.S. Transferred Equity Interests shall be treated as a deemed purchase of assets for U.S. federal (and applicable state, provincial, and local) income tax purposes and (ii) Buyer shall prepare and deliver to the Sellers the Allocation Schedule within ninety (90) days after the Closing Date. The Allocation Schedule shall be deemed final and Buyer and the Sellers each shall report and timely file all Tax Returns (including amended Tax Returns and claims for refund) and shall cooperate in the timely filing of any forms (including Internal Revenue Service Form 8594) consistent with the Allocation Schedule, and shall take no position contrary thereto or inconsistent therewith (including in any audits or examinations by any taxing authority or any other proceedings). The Parties shall agree on or before Closing to an allocation of the Transferred Assets located in Canada by asset type and provincial location for Canadian Transfer Tax purposes.

3.4 Withholding. Buyer, the Sellers and any of their respective paying agents (as applicable) shall be entitled to deduct and withhold from the amounts payable under this Agreement such amounts as may be required to be deducted and withheld under the Code, the Tax Act and any other applicable Tax Laws. Any such withheld amount shall be treated as though it had been paid to the Person in respect of which such withholding was required, provided that the withheld amount is duly and timely remitted to the appropriate Governmental Authority. Buyer, Sellers and any of their respective paying agents (as applicable) shall promptly provide documentation confirming the amount withheld and the timely remittance to the appropriate Governmental Entity.

ARTICLE IV

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF SELLERS

Except as set forth in the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule delivered to Buyer concurrently herewith (the "Sellers' Disclosure Schedule"), the Sellers hereby jointly and severally make the following representations and warranties to Buyer with respect to itself and each other Seller, as applicable:

4.1 Organization and Good Standing.

(a) Each Seller (i) is a corporation or limited liability company, duly incorporated or formed, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation or formation, and (ii) has the requisite organizational power and authority to own, lease and operate its properties and assets and conduct its business as now conducted, including for greater certainty the Transferred Assets and the Transferred Entities and to perform all of its obligations under the Assumed Contracts. Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, each Seller is duly qualified, licensed

or registered to carry on the Business as it is now being conducted in each jurisdiction in which the character of its assets and properties, owned, leased, licensed or operated by it, or the nature of its activities, make such qualification, licensing or registration necessary. The Sellers have delivered to Buyer true, complete and correct copies of each Seller's certificate of incorporation and bylaws or comparable organizational documents as in effect on the date hereof.

(b) Each Transferred Entity is a corporation or other organization duly incorporated, formed or organized, validly existing and, to the extent legally applicable, in good standing under the Laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation, formation or organization and has the requisite corporate or other appropriate power and authority to own and lease its assets and properties and conduct its business as now conducted. Each Transferred Entity is duly qualified as a foreign corporation or other organization to do business, and, to the extent legally applicable, is in good standing, in each jurisdiction in which the character of its owned, operated or leased properties or the nature of its activities makes such qualification necessary, except where the failure to be so qualified or in good standing would not reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect.

4.2 Power and Authority. Subject to entry of the SISP Order and the Approval and Vesting Order and the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order, each Seller has the full corporate power and authority to enter into this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder, and the execution and delivery of this Agreement by such Seller and the consummation by such Seller of the Transaction and the performance of such Seller's obligations hereunder have been duly authorized by all requisite action on the part of Seller. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by each Seller and (assuming the due and valid authorization, execution and delivery thereof by Buyer), following the approval of this Agreement and the Transaction by the CCAA Court pursuant to the Approval and Vesting Order, will constitute the legal, valid and binding obligation of each Seller, enforceable against each Seller in accordance with its terms, except as may be limited by equitable principles relating to the availability of specific performance, injunctive relief and other equitable remedies.

4.3 Transferred Entities; Transferred Equity Interests.

(a) The following information with respect to each Transferred Entity is set out on Section 4.3(a) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule: (i) its name; (ii) its jurisdiction of incorporation, organization or formation; and (iii) the registered and beneficial owner of all of the outstanding shares or other equity interests of each of the Transferred Entities.

(b) The authorized capital stock or other equity interests (if applicable) and the number of issued and outstanding shares or other equity interests of each Transferred Entity is set forth on Section 4.3 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule. Subject to the entry of the Approval and Vesting Order and the discharge of any applicable Encumbrances pursuant thereto, the Equity Sellers collectively own all of the Transferred Equity Interests, and the Swiss Entity owns all of the outstanding equity interests in German SpokeCo (in each case, including the beneficial interest therein), free and clear of all Encumbrances, except any Encumbrances arising out of, under or in connection with applicable securities Laws, or any Permitted Encumbrances. All of the Transferred Equity Interests, and the outstanding equity interests in German SpokeCo, have been duly authorized and validly issued, are, as applicable, fully paid and nonassessable and were not

issued in violation of any preemptive rights, purchase or call rights, rights of first refusal, or subscription rights. There are no options, warrants, redemption or repurchase rights, “phantom” stock rights, stock appreciation rights, stock-based performance units, or rights of conversion or other similar rights, agreements, arrangements or commitments obligating any Transferred Entity to issue or sell any shares of its capital stock, other equity interests or securities convertible into or exchangeable for its shares or other equity interests, other than as provided in this Agreement. There are no voting trusts, pooling, stockholder or shareholder agreements, registration rights agreements, proxies or other similar agreements in effect with respect to the voting or transfer of the Transferred Equity Interests or the outstanding equity interests in German SpokeCo. Except for the outstanding equity interests in German SpokeCo and the Carve-out Entities, the Transferred Entities do not, directly or indirectly, or through any Subsidiary of a Transferred Entity, own, beneficially or of record, any equity interests of any kind in any other Person and, assuming completion of the Transaction, at the Closing, the only equity interests owned, beneficially or of record, by any Transferred Entity immediately following the Closing shall be the Swiss Entity’s ownership of all of the outstanding equity interests in German SpokeCo.

4.4 Litigation.

(a) Except as set forth in Section 4.4 of the Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule, there are no Proceedings pending or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, contemplated or threatened in writing against or affecting the Sellers, the Business, any Transferred Asset or any Transferred Entities or any of their respective assets, business, properties, officers, employees, managers or directors (in their capacity as such) that, if determined adversely, would reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(b) There are no Proceedings pending or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, contemplated or threatened in writing against or affecting the Sellers, the Business, any Transferred Asset or any Transferred Entities that, if determined adversely, would reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to impair, in any material respect, the ability of the Sellers to perform their respective obligations under this Agreement or to consummate the Transaction, or prevent or materially delay the consummation of any of the Transaction.

4.5 No Contravention.

(a) Subject to entry of the Approval and Vesting Order by the CCAA Court and the approval of the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, and subject to the SISP Order, neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement nor the consummation of the Transaction, will: (i) violate or conflict with any provision of any Seller’s or the Transferred Entities’ organizational documents; (ii) with or without the giving of notice or the lapse of time or both violate, or result in a breach of, or constitute a default under, or conflict with, or accelerate the performance required by, any of the terms of any agreement or instrument to which the Sellers or the Transferred Entities are party or by which the Sellers or the Transferred Entities are bound or to which any of the properties of the Sellers or the Transferred Entities is subject, except where it would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; (iii) violate or conflict with any Order, or any Law or Permit of any Governmental Entity having jurisdiction over any Seller or the Transferred Entities or any of their respective assets or activities, except where it would not, individually or in the aggregate,

reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; or (iv) result in the creation of any Encumbrance upon any of the Transferred Assets.

(b) Neither the Sellers nor the Transferred Entities are: (i) in violation of any statute, rule, law or regulation applicable to the Sellers, the Transferred Entities, or their respective assets or activities, except for violations which would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; (ii) in violation of any, judgment, order or decree applicable to Seller Parent, its Subsidiaries, or their respective assets or activities, except for violations which would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, or (iii) except for breaches or violations which would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, in breach or violation of any agreement, note or instrument to which they or their assets are a party or are bound or subject.

(c) Neither the Sellers nor the Transferred Entities, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, received written notice from any person of any claim or investigation that, if adversely determined, would render Section 4.5(b) above untrue or incomplete.

4.6 Consents and Approvals. Except for (a) entry of the SISP Order, the SISP Recognition and Section 363 Order, the Approval and Vesting Order and the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order, and (b) any of the Consents and Approvals as are reflected on Section 4.6 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, the execution and delivery by Seller Parent of this Agreement, the performance by it of its obligations hereunder, and the completion of the Transaction will not conflict with or result in a breach or violation of, except where it would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, any statute, law, rule, regulation or order of any Governmental Entity having jurisdiction over the Transferred Assets, the Sellers, the Transferred Entities, or their respective assets or activities in any material respect.

4.7 Title to Transferred Assets; Sufficiency; Encumbrances.

(a) No Seller nor any Transferred Entity has sold any asset necessary to or used in the operation of the Business of U.S. SpokeCo at such time as such Business was last operational, other than (i) any Inventory or (ii) as consented to by Buyer in accordance with this Agreement.

(b) Sellers have, and subject to entry of the Approval and Vesting Order and the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order, at the Closing, Buyer will have, good and valid title to each of (i) the Transferred Equity Interests, free and clear of all Encumbrances, and (ii) the Transferred Assets (except for those Transferred Assets that are leased or licensed to the Asset Sellers, as to which the Asset Sellers has, and at the Closing, Buyer will have, valid licensed or leasehold interests), free and clear of all Encumbrances, other than Permitted Encumbrances. Without giving effect to any assets of the Asset Sellers designated as Excluded Assets after the date hereof, pursuant to Section 2.4, the Transferred Intellectual Property, Transferred Assets and assets held by the Transferred Entities, collectively, constitute all of the assets used in or held for use in the Business and are sufficient for Buyer to conduct the Business from and after the Closing Date.

(c) Section 4.7(c) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule lists all Encumbrances on any Transferred Asset or asset of any Transferred Entity that are Permitted Encumbrances under prong (vi) of Permitted Encumbrances.

4.8 Material Contracts.

(a) Except as set forth in Section 4.8(a) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, all Material Contracts of the Asset Sellers and the Transferred Entities are in full force and effect and none of the Sellers, the Transferred Entities, or to the Knowledge of the Sellers, any other party to any Material Contract, is in material default with respect thereto except due to the CCAA Proceeding or the U.S. Proceedings or where the failure to be in full force and effect or such default would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(b) Each Material Contract is a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Sellers or the Transferred Entity that is a party to such Material Contract, and is enforceable against the Sellers and the Transferred Entity that is party to such Material Contract, except where it would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, and except as such enforceability may be limited by: (i) applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium, liquidation or similar laws relating to, or affecting generally the enforcement of, creditors' rights and remedies; or (ii) equitable principles relating to the availability of specific performance, injunctive relief and other equitable remedies. Except as set forth in Section 4.8(a) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, neither the Sellers nor any of the Transferred Entities is in material default, nor has any event or circumstance occurred which, but for the passage of time or the giving of notice, or both, would constitute a material default under any Material Contract except due to the CCAA Proceeding or the U.S. Proceedings or where such default would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. Section 4.8(b) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule lists the Material Contracts of the Sellers and of the Transferred Entities that require a waiver, consent or approval to complete the Transaction except where it would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(c) With respect to the Assumed Contracts, upon entry of the Approval and Vesting Order and the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order and payment of the Cure Amounts, each Seller or the applicable Transferred Entity will not be in breach or default of its obligations thereunder.

(d) Each Material Contract has been made available to Buyer.

4.9 Intellectual Property; Data Privacy.

(a) Section 4.9(a) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule sets forth a correct and complete list of all Seller Registered Intellectual Property; including for each item of Seller Registered Intellectual Property, the recorded owner, the jurisdiction in which such item has been issued, registered, or filed, and the issuance, registration or application number and date. All Seller Registered Intellectual Property is subsisting and, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, valid and enforceable. Except as identified in Section 4.9(a) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, all renewal,

maintenance and other necessary filings and fees due and payable to any Governmental Entity or Internet domain name registrar to maintain all Seller Registered Intellectual Property in full force and effect have been timely submitted or fully paid. None of the Sellers nor any of the Transferred Entities owns any registered Copyrights or pending applications for registration of Copyrights.

(b) To the Knowledge of the Sellers, (i) one of the Sellers or a Transferred Entity is the sole and exclusive owner of all right, title and interest in and to all Owned Intellectual Property, and (ii) the Sellers and the Transferred Entities have valid and enforceable rights, pursuant to a valid written IP License to use, sell and license, as the case may be, all Licensed Intellectual Property, in each case of (i) and (ii), free and clear of all Encumbrances (except Permitted Encumbrances). The Owned Intellectual Property and Licensed Intellectual Property (when used within the scope of the applicable IP License) collectively constitute all Intellectual Property used in, necessary and sufficient for the conduct and operation of the Business as currently conducted and as contemplated to be conducted. The Seller Registered Intellectual Property constitutes all of the Patents, Marks and Domain Names owned by any Seller or any Transferred Entity or used in the conduct and operation of the Business as currently conducted.

(c) Each Seller and each Transferred Entity, and the conduct and operation of the Business, has not in the past six (6) years infringed, misappropriated, diluted or otherwise violated, and do not currently infringe, misappropriate, dilute, or otherwise violate any Intellectual Property of any Person. None of the Sellers nor any Transferred Entity is the subject of any pending or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened Proceedings alleging or involving any of the foregoing.

(d) None of the Sellers nor any Transferred Entity has, within the past (6) years, received written notice from a person challenging the ownership, use, validity or enforceability of any Owned Intellectual Property. None of the Sellers nor any Transferred Entity is the subject of any pending or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened Proceedings alleging or involving any of the foregoing.

(e) Except as identified in Section 4.9(e) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, in the past six (6) years, no Person has infringed, misappropriated, diluted or otherwise violated, or is currently infringing, misappropriating, diluting, or otherwise violating any Owned Intellectual Property in a manner that would reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect. No Proceedings have been initiated against any Person by any Seller or any Transferred Entity in the past six (6) years in relation to the Owned Intellectual Property.

(f) To the Knowledge of the Sellers, each Seller and each Transferred Entity has taken reasonable measures to protect the confidentiality and value of its confidential information. To the Knowledge of the Sellers, each Seller and each Transferred Entity has not disclosed or authorized or consented to the disclosure of any material confidential information to any Person (including any former or current employee, contractor, or consultant of Seller Parent or any of its Subsidiaries) other than (i) pursuant to a valid and enforceable written agreement restricting the disclosure and use of such confidential information or (ii) to a Person who otherwise has a duty to protect such confidential information; and to the Knowledge of the Sellers, no person

to whom material confidential information has been so disclosed is in violation of any such agreement or has otherwise misappropriated any such material confidential information.

(g) To the Knowledge of the Sellers, either a Seller or a Transferred Entity has executed valid and enforceable written agreement with each of their respective former and current founders, officers, directors, employees, consultants and independent contractors who have been or are currently involved in the development of any Intellectual Property for or on behalf of any Seller or any Transferred Entity, pursuant to which each such Person has or is obligated to assign or has assigned to a Seller or any Transferred Entity all of such Person's rights, title and interest in and to all Intellectual Property created or developed for any Seller or any Transferred Entity in the course of such person's involvement, employment or retention thereby, and which assignment is valid under applicable Law (an "Invention Assignment Agreement").

(h) To the Knowledge of the Sellers and except as identified in Section 4.9(h) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, all Business Software, was created and developed solely by employees of any Seller or any Transferred Entity within the scope of their employment.

(i) To the Knowledge of the Sellers and except as identified in Section 4.9(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, no open source software is or has been included, incorporated or embedded in, linked to, combined or distributed with, or otherwise used in connection with, any Business Software or any products of any Seller or any Transferred Entity, in each case, in a manner that requires or obligates any Seller or any Transferred Entity to: (i) disclose, contribute, distribute, license or otherwise make available to any Person (including any open source community) any source code included in the Business Software; (ii) license any Business Software for making modifications or derivative works; (iii) disclose, contribute, distribute, license or otherwise make available to any Person any Business Software for no or nominal charge; or (iv) grant a license to, or refrain from asserting or enforcing, any of the Owned Intellectual Property; in a manner that would reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect. To the Knowledge of the Sellers, each Seller and each Transferred Entity is in compliance with all material terms and conditions of any applicable licenses for open source software used in the Business.

(j) To the Knowledge of the Sellers and except as identified in Section 4.9(j) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, no funding, facilities, or personnel of any Governmental Entity or any university, college, or other educational institution, or research center are or were used, in whole or in part, in the development of any Owned Intellectual Property in a manner that would reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect. To the Knowledge of the Sellers and except as identified in Section 4.9(j) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, no former or current employee, consultant or independent contractor of any Seller or any Transferred Entity who contributed to the creation or development of any Owned Intellectual Property has performed services for the government or a university, college, other educational institution or research center during a period of time during which such employee, consultant or independent contractor was also performing services for any Seller or any Transferred Entity in a manner that would reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(k) Each Seller and each of the Transferred Entities takes and has taken reasonable measures to maintain and protect the performance, confidentiality, integrity and security of its IT Systems (and all Software, information and data stored or contained therein or transmitted thereby). The IT Systems (i) are adequate and sufficient (including with respect to working condition and capacity) for the operation of the Business as currently conducted and as contemplated to be conducted, and (ii) do not, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, contain any defect, viruses, worms, Trojan horses, bugs, faults or other devices, errors, contaminants or effects that: (A) disrupt or adversely affect the functionality of any IT Systems; or (B) enable or assist any Person to access without authorization any IT Systems, except, in either case of (A) or (B), to the extent such disruption or unauthorized access would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(l) In the past five (5) years, there have been no (i) material security breaches, unauthorized access to, use or disclosure of, intrusions of, or other incidents related to, any the IT Systems or data (including Personal Information) Processed by or on behalf of any Seller or any Transferred Entity or (ii) failures, breakdowns, continued substandard performance, outages or unscheduled downtime or other adverse events affecting any of the IT Systems that have caused or resulted in a material disruption to the operation of the Business. Each Seller and each Transferred Entity has implemented and maintained reasonable back-up and disaster recovery arrangements in the event of a failure of the IT Systems.

(m) For the past three (3) years, (i) each Seller and each Transferred Entity and, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, any Person acting for or on behalf of any Seller or any Transferred Entity is, and has been in compliance with all Privacy Requirements, except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; (ii) none of the Sellers, the Transferred Entities nor any third party acting on their behalf has received any written notice of any claims, charges investigations or regulatory inquiries related to or alleging the violation of any Privacy Requirements, and (iii) to the Knowledge of the Sellers, there are no facts or circumstances that could reasonably form the basis of any such claim, charge, investigation or regulatory inquiry.

(n) Each Seller and each Transferred Entity has (i) implemented and for the past five (5) years maintained reasonable and appropriate security procedures and practices, including technical and organizational safeguards, designed to protect all Personal Information and other confidential data in its possession or under its control against loss, theft, misuse or unauthorized access, use, modification, alteration, destruction or disclosure, and (ii) taken reasonable steps to ensure that any third party with access to any Personal Information collected by or on behalf of any Seller or any Transferred Entity has implemented and maintains the same. To the Knowledge of the Sellers, no third party has provided any Personal Information to any Seller or any Transferred Entity in violation of applicable Privacy Requirements.

(o) None of the Sellers or any Transferred Entity has provided or been legally required to provide any notice to any person in connection with an unauthorized disclosure of Personal Information.

(p) None of the Sellers or any Transferred Entity is subject to any contractual requirement or other legal obligation that, following the Closing, would prohibit Buyer or any

Transferred Entity from Processing any Personal Information in the manner in which the Sellers and the Transferred Entities Processed such Personal Information prior to the Closing. The transfer of Personal Information in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement will not violate any Privacy Requirements as they currently exist or as they existed at any time during which any of the Personal Information was collected or obtained.

4.10 Employee Benefits.

(a) Section 4.10(a) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule contains a complete, correct and up-to-date list of all Benefit Plans of the Sellers and Transferred Entities.

(b) True, correct and complete copies of the following documents, with respect to each of the Benefit Plans of the Sellers and Transferred Entities, have been made available to Buyer: (i) any plan documents and all material amendments thereto; (ii) the most recent Form 5500, if applicable, and all schedules thereto; (iii) the most recent summary plan descriptions (including letters or other documents updating such descriptions); (iv) financial statements, actuarial or other valuation reports; and (v) the most recent IRS determination letter or opinion letter, as applicable.

(c) Each of the Benefit Plans sponsored by any Seller or the Transferred Entities that is intended to qualify under Section 401 of the Code has received a favorable determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service that such plan is so qualified and that any trusts intended to be exempt from federal income taxation under the provisions of Section 501(a) of the Code are so qualified, and, except as disclosed in Section 4.10(c) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, nothing has occurred with respect to the operation of any such plan which could reasonably be expected to result in the revocation of such favorable determination or the loss of such qualification or exemption.

(d) None of the Benefit Plans of the Transferred Entities provide benefits beyond retirement or other termination of service to current or former directors, officers, employees, contractors or consultants or to the beneficiaries or dependents of such directors, officers, employees, contractors or consultants.

(e) Each of the Benefit Plans of the Transferred Entities has been maintained, in all material respects, in accordance with its terms and all provisions of applicable Law and all contributions or premiums required to be made or paid by the Sellers or their Affiliates in respect of the Benefit Plans of the Transferred Entities have been made or paid in accordance with the terms of such plans in all material respects. None of the Transferred Entities nor any of their respective ERISA Affiliates have at any time sponsored or has ever been obligated to contribute to, or had any liability in respect of, incurred, and no event has occurred and no condition or circumstance exists that could result, directly or indirectly, in, any unsatisfied Liability (including, any indirect, contingent or secondary Liability) of any Transferred Entity in respect of, (i) an "employee pension benefit plan" (as defined in Section 3(2) of ERISA) subject to Title IV of ERISA or Section 412 or 430 of the Code or Section 302 or 303 of ERISA or other similar Law (including any "multiemployer plan" within the meaning of Section 3(37) or Section 4001(a)(3) of ERISA) or (ii) a "multiple employer plan" as defined in Section 413(c) of the Code. None of the Transferred Entities have at any time sponsored or has ever been obligated to contribute to, or

had any liability in respect of, incurred, and no event has occurred and no condition or circumstance exists that could result, directly or indirectly, in, any unsatisfied Liability (including any indirect, contingent or secondary Liability) of any Transferred Entity in respect of, a “multiple employer welfare arrangement” within the meaning of Section 3(40) of ERISA. No non-exempt “prohibited transaction” (within the meaning of Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the code) has occurred or is reasonably expected to occur with respect to any Benefit Plan.

(f) There is no: (i) action, investigation, examination, suit, claim or other proceeding, including by any Governmental Entity (other than routine claims for benefits) ongoing, pending or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened involving the Benefit Plans of the Transferred Entities and no fact exists which could reasonably be expected to give rise to that type of action, investigation, examination, suit, claim or other proceeding; and (ii) outstanding material breach, default or violation by any party to any Benefit Plan of the Transferred Entities and, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, nor any Taxes, penalties or fees are owing or due and payable under or in respect of any of the Benefit Plans.

(g) No Benefit Plan: (i) contains a “defined benefit provision” as that term is defined in section 147.1(1) of the Tax Act; or (ii) is a self-insured health plan or similar arrangement. No Benefit Plan is or is intended to be, or has ever been found or alleged by a Governmental Entity to be: (v) a “registered pension plan” as such term is defined in subsection 248(1) of the Tax Act; (w) a “retirement compensation arrangement” as such term is defined in subsection 248(1) of the Tax Act; (x) a “multi-employer plan” within the meaning of subsection 147.1(1) of the Tax Act; (y) an “employee life and health trust” as such term is defined in subsection 248(1) of the Tax Act; or (z) a “salary deferral arrangement” as such term is defined in subsection 248(1) of the Tax Act.

(h) Other than as required under Section 4980B of the Code or other similar applicable Law or for which the covered person pays the full cost of coverage for such person and his or her beneficiaries and dependents, neither the Sellers nor any ERISA Affiliate has or could reasonably be expected to have any Liability for providing post-termination or retiree medical, life insurance or other welfare benefits.

(i) Each Benefit Plan of the Transferred Entities which is a “nonqualified deferred compensation plan” subject to Section 409A of the Code and the regulations and other guidance issued thereunder (“Section 409A”) has been established, operated and maintained in compliance with Section 409A in all material respects.

(j) None of the Transferred Entities have any obligation to provide, and no employee benefit plan or other agreement provides any individual with the right to a gross-up, indemnification, reimbursement or other payment for any excise or additional taxes or related interest or penalties incurred by such individual, including under Sections 409A or 4999 of the Code or otherwise.

(k) With respect to any Benefit Plans of the Transferred Entities: (i) no actions, suits, claims (other than routine claims for benefits in the ordinary course), audits, inquiries, proceedings or lawsuits are pending, or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened against any Benefit Plan of the Transferred Entities, the assets of any of the trusts under such plans or the plan

sponsor or administrator, or against any fiduciary of any Benefit Plan of the Transferred Entities with respect to the operation thereof; and (ii) to the Knowledge of the Sellers, no facts or circumstances exist that could reasonably be expected to give rise to any such actions, suits, claims, audits, inquiries, proceedings or lawsuits.

(l) Neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement nor the consummation of the Transaction, either alone or in connection with any other event, will: (i) give rise to any “excess parachute payment” as defined in Section 280G(b)(1) of the Code or any other payments or benefits that would be nondeductible to the Sellers under Section 280G of the Code or that could result in an excise Tax on any recipient under Section 4999 of the Code; (ii) result in any payment or benefit becoming due to any Hired Employee or any current or former employee, independent contractor or consultant of any Transferred Entity; (iii) increase the amount or value of any compensation or benefits payable under any Benefit Plan of any Transferred Entity; (iv) result in any acceleration of the time of payment, funding or vesting of any compensation or benefits or provide any additional compensatory rights or benefits (including funding of compensation or benefits through a trust or otherwise) to any current or former employee, independent contractor or consultant of the Transferred Entities or (v) limit or restrict the ability of Buyer, its Affiliates, or the Transferred Entities to merge, amend or terminate any Benefit Plan.

4.11 Employee & Labor Matters.

(a) All written employment contracts, indemnities and retention contracts in relation to executive officers and employees of the Asset Sellers and the Transferred Entities with an annual aggregate base compensation in excess of \$250,000 per year (or equivalent in foreign currency, as at March 31, 2025) have been made available to Buyer and such contracts are listed in Section 4.11(a) of the Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule. No such person has indicated to the Asset Sellers or the Transferred Entities that he/she intends to resign, retire or terminate his or her engagement with Seller Parent because of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or otherwise.

(b) Section 4.11(b) of the Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule contains a true and complete list of the employees of the Asset Sellers and the Transferred Entities, as at May 9, 2025, including each individual’s: (i) name; (ii) position; (iii) employment status (full-time or part-time, as applicable); (iv) work location (i.e., city and state/province, and country); (v) hire date (and recognized service date if different from hire date) and, for Canadian Seller employees, duration of employment (i.e., fixed term or indefinite term); (vi) annual base salary or hourly wage rate, as applicable; (vii) eligibility for overtime (including exempt or non-exempt status for U.S. employees under wage and hour laws); (viii) bonus entitlement; (ix) annual vacation; (x) other material compensation or perquisites; (xi) whether subject to a work permit or work visa; (xii) status as active or inactive (and if inactive, the reason for such leave and the expected date of return, if known); and (xiii) whether the individual is subject to a written employment agreement or written offer letter with Seller Parent with respect to its terms and conditions of employment.

(c) Neither Seller Parent nor any of its Subsidiaries is a party to any collective agreement or other labor contract (a “Collective Bargaining Agreement”). To the Knowledge of the Sellers, no union or other labor organization is actively seeking to organize, or to be recognized as, a collective bargaining unit of employees of Seller Parent or its Subsidiaries and no such

activities have been undertaken in the last five years. There is no ongoing, pending or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened, strike, work stoppage, material unfair labor practice claim, or other material labor dispute against or affecting Seller Parent or its Subsidiaries and no such event has occurred within the last five years.

(d) There is: (i) no unfair labor practice complaint ongoing, pending or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened against any Seller or the Transferred Entities before any Governmental Entity, and no grievance or arbitration proceeding arising out of or under any Collective Bargaining Agreement is so ongoing, pending or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened against any Seller or the Transferred Entities; and (ii) no strike, labor dispute, slowdown or stoppage is ongoing, pending or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened against any Seller or the Transferred Entities.

(e) Each Seller and the Transferred Entities is in compliance with all Labor Laws (including with respect to Taxes). No equal employment opportunity charges or other claims of employment discrimination are pending or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened against them, and no wage and hour department investigation has been made of any Seller or the Transferred Entities. There are no complaints, charges or claims against any Seller or the Transferred Entities pending or, to Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened that could be brought or filed based on, arising out of, in connection with or otherwise relating to the employment or termination of employment or failure to employ by any Seller or the Transferred Entities of any individual. No material labor dispute with the employees of Seller Parent or its Subsidiaries exists or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, is imminent.

(f) All amounts due or accrued due for all salary, wages, bonuses, commissions, vacation with pay, sick days and benefits to employees of the Seller or the Transferred Entities or under Benefit Plans and other similar accruals have either been paid or are accurately reflected in the Books and Records in all material respects.

(g) Prior to the date hereof, the Sellers and the Transferred Entities have not taken any action or any actions relating to the Business at any single site of employment in the 90-day period prior to the Closing Date that would, individually or in the aggregate, constitute a “mass layoff” or “plant closing” within the meaning of the WARN Act, or any similar applicable Law. Section 4.11(g) of the Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule sets forth a list of all employees associated with the Business that have been terminated in the 90-day period prior to the Closing Date, which list includes information regarding the date of each termination and the terminated employee’s place of work.

(h) To the Knowledge of the Sellers, no union, labor organization or group of employees has applied to have the Sellers or any Affiliates declared a common or related employer in respect of the employees pursuant to Labor Laws.

(i) Section 4.11(i) of the Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule contains a true and complete list of each individual independent contractor engaged in the Business, other than independent contractors engaged through a third party agency, including each such independent contractor’s: (i) name; (ii) services provided; (iii) work location (i.e., city and state/province, and country); (iv) engagement date and duration of engagement (i.e., fixed term or indefinite term);

(v) fees for services; and (vi) whether the independent contractor is subject to a written independent contractor agreement. Since May 1, 2022, such independent contractors are properly classified as independent contractors in accordance with applicable law in all material respects and, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, no such individual or any Governmental Entity has disputed such classification.

(j) Prior to the date hereof, the Sellers and the Transferred Entities have not given any promotions, made any increase in the compensation or other benefits payable or to become payable to the employees or any contractors and consultants of any Seller or Transferred Entity, other than pursuant to existing written agreements, including Collective Bargaining Agreements, disclosed under Section 4.11(a) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule or in the Ordinary Course of Business.

(k) Except as disclosed in Section 4.11(k) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, none of Seller Parent nor any of its Subsidiaries is a party to or bound or governed by, or subject to any employment, consulting, retention, change of control or similar agreement providing for change of control, golden parachute, retention, severance, termination or similar payments or other compensation or benefits to, any Hired Employee or officer, employee or consultant of the Sellers and Transferred Entities in connection with either (i) the termination of their position or their employment, (ii) the consummation of any transaction contemplated by this Agreement, or (iii) a change in control of the Seller Parent or any of its Subsidiaries (including as a result of this Agreement).

(l) The Transferred Entities are registered in good standing with all applicable Governmental Entities in respect of workers' compensation where such registration is required by applicable law, and there have been no critical or fatal injuries involving current or former employees of the Sellers and Transferred Entities since April 1, 2022.

(m) All Liabilities in respect of Hired Employees and employees of the Transferred Entities have or shall have been paid to the Closing Date, including withholdings, premium contributions, remittance and assessments for unemployment insurance, employer health tax, Governmental Entity-required pension plans, income tax, workers' compensation and any other employment related legislation, accrued wages, Taxes, salaries, commissions and any Benefit Plan payments, in each case other than as accrued and unpaid in the Ordinary Course of Business. There are no outstanding, pending, threatened or anticipated assessments, actions, Claims, complaints, demands, orders, prosecutions, suits, or other Proceedings against any Seller or the Transferred Entities, their respective directors, officers or agents pursuant to or under any applicable Laws, with respect of pension obligations, unemployment insurance, income tax, employer health tax, employment standards, labor relations, occupational health and safety, human rights, workers' compensation or pay equity. Neither the Sellers nor any Transferred Entities has an obligation to re-instate any employees in connection with this Agreement or the completion of the Transaction.

(n) All amounts due or accrued for all salary, wages, vacation pay, bonuses, commissions, sick days and benefits to employees of the Sellers or under Benefit Plans and other similar accruals and emoluments relating to Sellers and their employees have either been paid or are accurately reflected in all respects and have been accrued in the Books and Records.

4.12 Non-Arm's Length Transactions. There are no outstanding accounts receivable due to any Seller or the Transferred Entities from any affiliate, officer, director, employee or any other Person with whom such Seller or the Transferred Entities is not dealing at arm's length (within the meaning of the Tax Act).

4.13 Absence of Changes. Except as set forth in Section 4.13 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule or in Seller Parent's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2024, or since the Seller Parent's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2024, there has not been:

(a) any declaration or payment of any dividend, or any authorization or payment of any distribution, on any of the capital stock of Seller Parent or any redemption or repurchase of any securities of the Sellers or the Transferred Entities;

(b) material damage, destruction or loss, whether or not covered by insurance, to any assets or properties of the Asset Sellers or the Transferred Entities;

(c) sale, license or disposal of any of the assets of the kind comprising the Transferred Assets or cancelled any Claims comprising part of the Transferred Assets except in the Ordinary Course of Business;

(d) imposed any Encumbrance upon any of the Transferred Assets or any assets held by a Transferred Entity, except for Permitted Encumbrances;

(e) accelerated, terminated, materially amended or cancelled any Material Contracts or Permits, except in the Ordinary Course of Business;

(f) any material change in the manner of its billings, or the credit terms made available by the Sellers or the Transferred Entities, to any of their customers;

(g) any waiver by the Sellers or the Transferred Entities of a material right or of a material debt owed to it;

(h) any waiver by the Asset Sellers or the Transferred Entities of any confidentiality, standstill, use or similar agreement, restriction or covenant to which the Asset Sellers or the Transferred Entities are a party;

(i) any satisfaction or discharge of any Encumbrance or payment of any obligation by the Sellers or the Transferred Entities, to the extent related to the Transferred Assets, the Assumed Liabilities or the Business, except which is not material to the assets, properties, financial condition, operating results or business of the Sellers and the Transferred Entities taken as a whole (as such business is presently conducted and as it is proposed by the Sellers to be conducted);

(j) any change or amendment to a Material Contract by which the Asset Sellers or the Transferred Entities or any of their assets or properties, including the Transferred Assets, are bound or subject;

(k) any material settlement or compromise of any Proceeding involving an Seller or a Transferred Entity;

(l) any material labor difficulties or labor union organizing activities with respect to employees of the Sellers or the Transferred Entities;

(m) any material transaction entered into by the Asset Sellers or the Transferred Entities other than in the Ordinary Course of Business;

(n) any material changes to any of the Sellers' or the Transferred Entities' accounting policies, principles, methods, practices or procedures (including by adopting any material new accounting policies, principles, methods, practices or procedures), except as required by applicable laws or under GAAP;

(o) any revaluation by the Sellers or the Transferred Entities of any of its assets (including the Transferred Assets), including, without limitation, writing down the value of capitalized inventory or writing off notes or accounts receivable or any sale of assets of the Sellers other than in the Ordinary Course of Business or as may be required by GAAP;

(p) any action (except as is necessary to comply with applicable laws) to grant to any officer, director, employee or consultant of the Sellers or the Transferred Entities, as applicable, an increase in compensation or benefits in excess of 5% of their annual base compensation;

(q) any action by any Seller or Transferred Entity (except as is necessary to comply with applicable laws) to grant, increase, enter into or modify any severance, bonus, change of control, retirement, loan, advance or retention agreement or agreement providing for notice of termination (or pay in lieu thereof) and/or severance pay in excess of the minimum amounts of same required pursuant to applicable laws;

(r) any action (except as is necessary to comply with applicable laws) to enter into, modify or terminate any employment or consulting agreement with any Hired Employee or any officer, director, employee or consultant of any Seller or Transferred Entity, as applicable (other than for just cause);

(s) any action (except as is necessary to comply with applicable laws) to (i) adopt, (ii) amend, (iii) make any contribution to or (iv) grant any compensation, benefits or other award under, any Benefit Plan of the Sellers or the Transferred Entities and any stock option plan, restricted share unit plan, deferred share unit plan, performance share unit plan, stock appreciation rights plan, or other bonus, profit sharing, option, pension, retirement, deferred compensation, insurance, incentive compensation, compensation or other similar plan, agreement, trust, fund or arrangement for the benefit of directors or senior officers or former directors or senior officers of the Sellers or the Transferred Entities, as applicable;

(t) take any action to accelerate the vesting or payment of, or otherwise fund or secure the payment of, any compensation, benefits or other award, amend or waive any vesting terms under any Benefit Plan of the Transferred Entities or similar arrangement, and any stock option plan, restricted share unit plan, deferred share unit plan, performance share unit plan, stock

appreciation rights plan, or other bonus, profit sharing, option, pension, retirement, deferred compensation, insurance, incentive compensation, compensation or other similar plan, agreement, trust, fund or arrangement for the benefit of directors or senior officers or former directors or senior officers of the Transferred Entities, as applicable; or

(u) any other event or condition of any character that would reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect, except for the CCAA Proceeding and the U.S. Proceedings.

4.14 Compliance with Laws; Permits. The Sellers and the Transferred Entities are conducting and have conducted the Business in compliance with all applicable Laws, notices, approvals and orders in all material respects. Each Seller is not in material breach of any Law, notice, approval or order applicable to it or the Business. To the Knowledge of the Sellers, each Seller and the Transferred Entities is not under investigation with respect to the violation of any Laws and there are no facts or circumstances which could form the basis for any such violation. Each of the Sellers and the Transferred Entities (i) possess all material Permits required to carry on their respective businesses as currently conducted at their facilities, except where the failure to possess such Permits would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, and (ii) has not, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, received any written notice of proceedings relating to the revocation or modification of any such Permit. The Sellers and the Transferred Entities are not in default under, or violating, any of the Permits, except for such defaults or violations as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect. Section 4.14 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule sets forth a list of all material Permits of the Sellers and the Transferred Entities.

4.15 Financial Statements. The Financial Statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Sellers as of the dates and throughout the periods indicated, and the results of the operations and cash flows for the periods therein indicated. The Financial Statements are based on the Books and Records and have been prepared in accordance with GAAP applied on a basis consistent with the preceding period.

4.16 Financial Advisors. Except as set forth on Section 4.16 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, neither the Sellers nor the Transferred Entities incurred any obligation or liability, contingent or otherwise, or agreed to pay or reimburse any broker, finder, financial advisor or investment banker, for any brokerage, finder's, advisory or other fee or commission, or for the reimbursement of expenses, in connection with this Agreement, the Transaction or any alternative transaction in relation to the Sellers or any of the Transferred Entities.

4.17 Absence of Undisclosed Liabilities. Except as set forth on Section 4.17 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, there are no Liabilities of any of the Sellers or the Transferred Entities, or otherwise related to the Business, of any nature, whether accrued, contingent, absolute, known or otherwise, in each case, whether or not required by GAAP to be reflected or reserved against on a balance sheet of each of the Sellers and the Transferred Entities, or of the Business, prepared in accordance with GAAP or the notes thereto, other than those set out in the Financial Statements and those incurred since the date of the previous Financial Statements.

4.18 Tax Matters.

(a) The Sellers have timely filed (taking into account any valid extensions of time to file) all income and other material Tax Returns which are required to be filed, by them in connection with the Business and the Transferred Assets and the Transferred Entities have timely filed (taking into account any valid extensions of time to file) all income and other material Tax Returns which are required to be filed by them, all such Tax Returns are true, correct and complete in all material respects, and all Taxes due and payable by the Sellers in connection with the Business and the Transferred Assets and by the Transferred Entities prior to the date hereof have been paid, taking into account permitted extensions.

(b) The charges, accruals and reserves on the books of each Seller and Transferred Entity in respect of Taxes for all fiscal periods are adequate, and there are no unpaid assessments against any Seller or Transferred Entity nor any basis for the assessment of any additional Taxes, penalties or interest for any fiscal period or audits by any taxing authority except such as which are not material.

(c) There are no Encumbrances for Taxes (nor, to the Knowledge of the Seller, is any Governmental Entity in the process of imposing any Encumbrances for Taxes) upon the Transferred Assets or the Transferred Entities other than Permitted Encumbrances.

(d) There are no unpaid Taxes which, to the Sellers' knowledge, are capable of forming or resulting in a Encumbrance on the Transferred Assets or becoming a liability or obligation of Buyer.

(e) There are no outstanding Tax sharing, Tax allocation, or Tax indemnification agreements (for clarity, excluding commercial agreements entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business and the primary object of which is not Taxes) or other such arrangements between a Transferred Entity and any other Person.

(f) The Sellers and Transferred Entities have complied in all material respects with all applicable Laws relating to the withholding, collection and payment of Taxes and have duly and timely withheld, collected and paid over to the appropriate Governmental Entity all amounts required to be so withheld, collected and paid under all applicable Laws, taking into account permitted extensions.

(g) Neither the Sellers nor the Transferred Entities has made, changed or revoked any Tax election, changed any method of accounting for Tax purposes, amended any income or other Tax Return, surrendered any right to claim a refund of Taxes, settled or compromised any claim in respect of Taxes, or entered into any contract in respect of Taxes with any Governmental Entity, in each case, with respect to the Sellers, that would affect the Business or any of the Transferred Assets after the Closing Date.

(h) Neither the Sellers nor the Transferred Entities: (i) has been a member of any affiliated, consolidated, combined or unitary group that includes any person other than the Sellers or their Subsidiaries, including the Transferred Entities; (ii) has any liability for the Taxes of any person other than another member of the Sellers or their Subsidiaries, including the

Transferred Entities, under Treasury Regulation Section 1.1502-6 (or any similar provision of state, local or non-U.S. law); or (iii) has any liability for any unpaid Taxes of any other person (other than the Sellers or their Subsidiaries, including the Transferred Entities) as a transferee or successor, by contract or otherwise by operation of applicable law.

(i) None of the Sellers nor the Transferred Entities has engaged in any “reportable transaction” as defined in subsection 237.3(1) of the Tax Act or Treasury Regulation Section 1.6011-4(b) or any “notifiable transaction” as defined in subsection 237.4(1) of the Tax Act.

(j) None of the Transferred Assets is (i) property required to be treated as being owned by another Person pursuant to the provisions of Section 168(f)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended and in effect immediately prior to the enactment of the Tax Reform Act of 1986, (ii) “tax-exempt use property” within the meaning of Section 168(h)(1) of the Code, (iii) “tax-exempt bond financed property” within the meaning of Section 168(g) of the Code, (iv) “limited use property” within the meaning of Rev. Proc. 2001-28, (v) subject to Section 168(g)(1)(A) of the Code or subject to any provision of Law comparable to any of the provisions listed above.

(k) The Intellectual Property Seller is a registrant for the purposes of the HST Legislation and its registration number is 74217 0699 RT 0001.

(l) There are no inquiries, investigations, disputes, audits, actions, objections, appeals, suits or other proceedings or Claims in progress, or, to the Sellers’ knowledge, pending or threatened by or against any Seller by any Governmental Entity with respect to any Taxes in respect of any Seller that can result in an Encumbrance on the Transferred Assets.

(m) Each of Li-Cycle Corp., Li-Cycle Holdings Corp. and Li-Cycle Americas Corp. are not a non-resident of Canada for purposes of the Tax Act.

4.19 Taxable Canadian Property. No Seller that is not resident in Canada for the purposes of the Tax Act is selling property under this Agreement that is “taxable Canadian property” for the purposes of the Tax Act.

4.20 Obligations Under the Credit Documents. As of the date hereof, the total amount of principal due and owing under the Credit Documents is \$ 338,800,835.21 (such amount, together with all other obligations outstanding under the Credit Documents (including, for the avoidance of doubt, all interest, fees, expenses and premiums that have accrued after the commencement of the Cases), the “Buyer Debt”). The entirety of the Buyer Debt is an obligation of certain of the Sellers and repayment of the Secured Convertible Notes is secured by properly perfected priority liens on substantially all of the assets of certain of the Sellers (including all of the Transferred Intellectual Property). The applicable Sellers acknowledge and agree that they have no defense to payment of the Buyer Debt, and such repayment obligation is not subject to any right of setoff or recoupment. The applicable Sellers hereby waive any right to challenge the Credit Documents or their obligation to pay the Buyer Debt on any grounds.

4.21 Real Property.

(a) Section 4.21(a) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule sets forth a complete list of the addresses and legal descriptions of the land and premises: (i) of the Owned Real Property; and (ii) the Leased Real Property. Except for the Owned Real Property and the Leased Real Property contained in Section 4.21(a) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, the Asset Sellers and the Transferred Entities do not have any other place of business. None of the Asset Sellers nor the Transferred Entities has agreed to acquire any real property or interest in real property other than the Owned Real Property or the Leased Real Property.

(b) Section 4.21(a) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule sets forth a complete and accurate list of access agreements in favor of, or used by, the Asset Sellers and the Transferred Entities with respect to any Owned or Leased Real Property relating to the Rochester Hub project, including the associated legal descriptions and addresses.

(c) The Asset Sellers and Transferred Entities have good, valid, and marketable fee title (or its equivalence in jurisdictions outside the United States, which in Canada, for avoidance of doubt, shall mean a beneficial title in fee simple) to all Owned Real Property, in each case free and clear of all Encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for Permitted Encumbrances. None of the Owned Real Property is subject to any leases or tenancies or other rights of occupancy. The Sellers have delivered to Buyer true, correct, and complete copies of all title insurance policies, deeds and surveys relating to the Owned Real Property.

(d) The Asset Sellers and Transferred Entities have not granted to any Person any right of first refusal, right of first opportunity, option or similar rights to purchase any of the Owned Real Property or any interest therein or any part thereof. The Asset Sellers and Transferred Entities have not leased any portion of the Owned Real Property to any Person.

(e) The Asset Sellers and Transferred Entities have not granted to any Person any right of first refusal, right of first opportunity, option or similar rights to sub-lease the Leased Real Property or to otherwise acquire any of the Asset Sellers' or the Transferred Entities' rights in and to the Leased Real Property or any interest therein or any part thereof. The Asset Sellers and Transferred Entities have not sublet any portion of the Leased Real Property to any Person.

(f) The existing uses of all of the Owned Real Property and the Leased Real Property comply in all material respects with all applicable Laws. The Asset Sellers and Transferred Entities have not made application for a re-zoning of any of the Owned Real Property or the Leased Real Property, and to the Knowledge of the Sellers there is no proposed or pending change to any zoning Laws affecting any of the Owned Real Property or the Leased Real Property.

(g) The Owned Real Property and the Leased Real Property are serviced by all private and public utility services that are necessary for the operations of the business on the Owned Real Property and Leased Real Property and, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, there are no facts, circumstances or conditions which are reasonably likely to result in the termination of such connections.

(h) Each of the Asset Sellers and the Transferred Entities has adequate and unimpeded rights of ingress and egress from and to each Owned Real Property and Leased Real Property that are necessary for the operations of the business on each Owned Real Property and Leased Real Property and, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, there are no facts, circumstances or conditions which are reasonably likely to result in the termination of such rights of ingress and egress.

(i) The Asset Sellers and the Transferred Entities have valid leasehold interest to all Leased Real Property, in each case free and clear of all Encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for the Permitted Encumbrances. All Leases are in full force and effect and are enforceable by the Asset Sellers and Transferred Entities, and to the Knowledge of the Sellers, each other party thereto. No event of default currently exists and no event has occurred that after giving notice or the passage of any applicable cure period or both would constitute an event of default under any of the Leases. No Asset Seller or Transferred Entity has delivered or received notice from the other party to any such Lease of the termination or surrender thereof. The Asset Sellers and Transferred Entities have delivered to Buyer true and complete copies of all Leases referenced in Section 4.21(a) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, including all amendments notices or memoranda of lease thereto, and all estoppel certificates, or subordination, non-disturbance and attornment agreements, if any relating to the Leased Real Property. There are no material agreements, understandings or undertakings pertaining to the Leases and the Asset Sellers' and the Transferred Entities' leasehold interests in the Leased Real Property which have not been disclosed to Buyer or made available in the data room made available to Buyer prior to the date hereof. No Person that is not an Asset Seller or a Transferred Entity has any right to possess, use or occupy the Leased Real Property. No Asset Seller or the Transferred Entities are party to any Lease except in respect of the Leased Real Property.

(j) The Owned Real Property and the Leased Real Property are in good order and working condition (wear and tear excepted and have not been affected by any casualty that has not been repaired) and there are no impediments on the ability to use the Owned Real Property or the Leased Real Property for its intended purpose in the Ordinary Course of Business.

(k) The Asset Sellers and the Transferred Entities have not received any written notice from any Governmental Entity asserting any material violation of applicable Laws with respect to the Owned Real Property or Leased Real Property, and there is no pending or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened eminent domain taking, expropriation, condemnation or rezoning affecting any portion of the Owned Real Property or Leased Real Property.

(l) There are no Tax abatements or exemptions specifically affecting the Owned Real Property and the Asset Sellers and the Transferred Entities have not received any written notice of any proposed increased in the assessed valuation of the Owned Real Property or any proposed public improvement assessments, capital charges or levies affecting the Owned Real Property.

(m) With respect to any ground lease or PILOT agreement affecting any portion of the Owned or Leased Real Property (the "Prime Real Property Agreements"), each Prime Real Property Agreement is a valid and binding obligation, and is in full force and effect, enforceable, against the Asset Sellers or such Transferred Entity party to such Prime Real Property Agreement

(if applicable) and, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, each other party thereto in accordance with its terms.

(n) No portion of any of the Owned Real Property or the Leased Real Property located in Canada has been designated a historic site by any Governmental Entity having or purporting to have jurisdiction and no building on any such Owned Real Property or Leased Real Property shall have been so designated by any such body as being of sufficient historical interest that a demolition permit is not available for such building.

4.22 Tangible Personal Property. Section 4.22 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule sets forth all leases of personal property (the "Personal Property Leases") relating to personal property used by the Asset Sellers and the Transferred Entities or to which any Asset Seller or the applicable Transferred Entity is a party or by which the properties or assets of any of the Sellers or the Transferred Entities is bound. To the Knowledge of the Sellers, no Asset Seller or any Transferred Entity has received any written notice of any default or event that with notice or lapse of time or both would constitute a default by any Asset Seller under any of the Personal Property Leases.

4.23 Insurance. Section 4.23 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule contains a true and complete list of all material policies of insurance maintained by each Asset Seller, each Transferred Entity and their respective Subsidiaries of which such entity is a party, the named insured, or otherwise the beneficiary thereof (each, an "Insurance Policy"), including the following information: (i) the name of the insurer, the name of the policyholder, and the name of each covered insured; (ii) the policy number and the period of coverage; and (iii) the amount of coverage. Each Insurance Policy is in full force and effect and collectively the Insurance Policies provide each Seller, each Transferred Entity and their respective Subsidiaries with insurance coverage such entity reasonably believes to be adequate against all liabilities, claims and risks against which it is customary for comparably situated companies to insure. All premiums with respect thereto have been paid in accordance with their respective terms, and no written notice of cancellation or termination has been received with respect to any such policy.

4.24 Environmental Matters.

(a) Except as set forth on Section 4.24 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, none of the Transferred Entities, the Business, the Purchased Assets or, with respect to the Business and the Purchased Assets and the Sellers: (a) is in violation of, or has liability under, any Environmental Laws; (b) own, lease or operate at any real property (including the Real Property) contaminated with any Hazardous Materials; (c) are liable for any off-site disposal or contamination pursuant to any Environmental Laws; or (d) are subject to any claim relating to any Environmental Laws, which violation, contamination, ownership, operation, liability or claim would reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect, and the Sellers are not aware of any other pending investigation that might lead to such a claim.

(b) Each of the Transferred Entities, the Business, the Purchased Assets and, with respect to the Business and the Purchased Assets, the Sellers comply with Environmental Laws, except for such non-compliance which would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

4.25 Anti-Corruption. In the past five years, neither Seller Parent nor its Subsidiaries (nor to the Knowledge of the Sellers, any officer, director, employee, advisor or agent of Seller Parent or its Subsidiaries) has engaged in any activity or conduct in material violation of Anti-Corruption Laws or Anti-Money Laundering Laws, and Seller Parent and its Subsidiaries have established and maintained policies and procedures reasonably designed to procure compliance with: (i) Anti-Corruption Laws; (ii) Anti-Money Laundering Laws; and (iii) Sanctions. Neither Seller Parent nor any director, officer, employee or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, an agent of Seller Parent is: (i) a Sanctioned Person; (ii) subject to debarment or any list-based designations under Sanctions; or (iii) in the past five years, engaged in transactions, dealings, or activities with a Sanctioned Country or a Sanctioned Person, in violation of Sanctions or that might reasonably be expected to cause any of the parties to become a Sanctioned Person. No proceeds as a result of the Transaction will be used to fund any operations in, finance any investments or activities in, or make any payments to, a Sanctioned Person or a Sanctioned Country, or otherwise used in any manner that would result in a violation of any Sanction or for any activities that could result in the designation of any of the parties as a Sanctioned Person. No civil or criminal penalties have been imposed on the Seller Parent or any of its Subsidiaries with respect to violations of Sanctions, nor have any voluntary disclosures relating to Sanctions been submitted to any Governmental Entity.

4.26 DOE Loan Documents.

(a) The Sellers have made available to Buyer true, correct and complete copies of all executed DOE Loan Documents, as amended or otherwise modified and in effect as of the date hereof. As at the date hereof, the LARA and the NPA (i) are in full force and effect and are enforceable against the Company Entities party thereto, except as such enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium, liquidation or similar laws relating to, or affecting generally the enforcement of, creditors' rights and remedies, (ii) represent the legal, valid and binding obligations of the Company Entities party thereto, and, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, represent the legal, valid and binding obligations of the other parties thereto. The Effective Date (as defined in the LARA) occurred on November 9, 2024.

4.27 Books and Records. All books and records of the Sellers or the Transferred Entities, including the Books and Records, have been fully, properly and accurately kept and completed in all material respects in accordance with GAAP and there are no material inaccuracies or discrepancies of any kind contained or reflected therein.

4.28 No Encumbrances. All bank, deposit, lock-box or cash collection accounts and material or immaterial assets of the Transferred Entities are free and clear from any Encumbrances, other than those listed on Section 4.28 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule and in any case disregarding such Encumbrances towards Buyer or one of its Affiliates.

4.29 No Intragroup Liabilities. There are no Liabilities of the Transferred Entities against the Sellers and/or any Carve-Out-Entities, other than those Liabilities listed on Section 4.29 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

4.30 No Insolvency. None of the Transferred Entities is subject to any winding-up, bankruptcy, insolvency or judicial composition proceedings, any moratorium proceedings or any

comparable proceedings under applicable local insolvency laws, nor have any such proceedings been initiated or applied for under any applicable Law, nor is the Swiss Entity compelled under any applicable law to apply for the commencement of such proceedings as a result of it being over-indebted (*überschuldet*) or illiquid (*zahlungsunfähig*).

4.31 Inventory. Except as set forth on Section 4.31 of the Sellers' Disclosure or except as would not reasonably be expected to be, individually or in the aggregate, material to the Business, all Inventory of the Swiss Entity and German SpokeCo is, and as of the Closing will, consist of items of a quality and quantity usable and, in the case of finished goods, salable. Except as would not reasonably be expected to be material to the Business, no Inventory is on consignment.

4.32 Disclaimer of Other Representatives and Warranties. Except as expressly set forth in this Article IV, no Seller or any Transferred Entity makes any representation and warranty, express or implied, in respect of such Seller, the Transferred Assets, the Business or the Assumed Liabilities, and any such other representations or warranties, express or implied, are hereby expressly disclaimed.

ARTICLE V

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF BUYER

Buyer hereby represents and warrants to the Sellers as follows:

5.1 Organization and Good Standing. Buyer is a corporation duly incorporated, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation and has the requisite corporate power and authority to own and lease its assets and to carry on its Business as now being conducted. Buyer has full corporate power and authority and has taken all requisite action on its part necessary for: (a) the authorization, execution and delivery of this Agreement; and (b) authorization of the performance of all of its obligations thereunder.

5.2 Power and Authority. Buyer has the requisite power and authority to enter into this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder, and the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the consummation of the Transaction and the performance of Buyer's obligations hereunder have been duly authorized by all requisite company action on the part of Buyer. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by Buyer and constitutes (assuming the due and valid authorization, execution and delivery thereof by the other parties thereto and the entry of approval of this Agreement and the Transaction by the CCAA Court pursuant to the Approval and Vesting Order and the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order) the legal, valid and binding obligation of Buyer, enforceable against Buyer in accordance with its terms.

5.3 No Contravention. Neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement nor the consummation of the Transaction will (a) violate or conflict with any provision of Buyer's organizational documents, or (b) violate or conflict with any Order, Governmental Entity or arbitrator, or any Law applicable to Buyer.

5.4 Consents and Approvals. Except for (a) entry of the Approval and Vesting Order and the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order, and (b) the ICA Approval, the execution, delivery and performance by Buyer of this Agreement and the Transaction, and the legality, validity, binding effect or enforceability of this Agreement and any agreements contemplated hereby, do not require any consents, waivers, authorizations or approvals of, or filings with, any third Persons or Governmental Entities.

5.5 Litigation. There are no pending Proceedings against or affecting Buyer or its Subsidiaries that, if determined adversely, would reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to impair, in any material respect, the ability of Buyer to perform its obligations under this Agreement or to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, or prevent or materially delay the consummation of any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, and, to the knowledge of Buyer, no such Proceedings are threatened or contemplated.

5.6 Availability of Funds. Buyer has, will have, or will have access to, at Closing, sufficient cash on hand or committed under credit facilities to satisfy its cash payment obligations under the Purchase Price at Closing under this Agreement for which Buyer is responsible under the terms of this Agreement.

5.7 HST Registration. At the Closing Date, the Canadian Buyer, or its designated assignee(s) acquiring the Transferred Assets, will be registered for the purposes of the HST Legislation and will provide its registration number(s) to the Sellers.

5.8 As Is, Where Is. Except as otherwise expressly set forth in this Agreement, Buyer understands and agrees that the Transferred Entities, the Transferred Assets and the Assumed Liabilities are being transferred on a “where-is” and, as to condition, “as-is” basis subject to the representations and warranties contained in Article IV (as modified by the Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule) and any certificate or documentation delivered in connection with this Agreement without any other representations or warranties of any nature whatsoever.

5.9 Non-Reliance of Buyer.

(a) Other than those representations and warranties contained herein (as modified by the Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule) and any certificate or documentation delivered in connection with this Agreement, Buyer acknowledges and agrees that: (i) no representation, warranty or condition is expressed or can be implied as to title, encumbrances, description, fitness for purpose, merchantability, condition or quality or in respect of any other matter or thing whatsoever, including with respect to the Transferred Assets and the Transferred Equity Interests; and (ii) the Monitor has not provided any representations and warranties in respect of any matter or thing whatsoever in connection with the Transaction contemplated hereby, including with respect to the Transferred Assets and the Transferred Equity Interests. The acknowledgment in this Section 5.9 is made notwithstanding the delivery or disclosure to Buyer or its directors, officers, employees, agents or Representatives of any documentation or other information (including financial projections or supplemental data not included in this Agreement).

(b) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, except as may be expressly set out in this Agreement and any certificate or documentation delivered in connection with the

Agreement, no representations or warranties have been given by any Party with respect to the Liability any Party has with respect to Taxes in connection with entering into this Agreement, the issuance of the Approval and Vesting Order or the consummation of the Transaction. Each Party is to rely on its own investigations in respect of any liability for Taxes payable, collectible or required to be remitted by the Seller or any other Party on or after Closing and the quantum of such Liability, if any.

ARTICLE VI

COVENANTS OF THE PARTIES

6.1 Conduct of Business Pending the Closing. During the period from the date of this Agreement and continuing until the earlier of the termination of this Agreement in accordance with its terms or the Closing, except as (a) expressly provided in this Agreement, (b) consented to in writing by Buyer or (c) set out in Section 6.1 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, the Sellers shall and shall cause the Swiss Entity and the German SpokeCo to carry on their respective businesses in the Ordinary Course of Business subject to complying with the Initial Order, the A&R Initial Order or any other Order of the CCAA Court in the CCAA Proceeding, solely to the extent such Order is in form and substance acceptable to Buyer, as applicable, and, the Sellers and the Transferred Entities shall use commercially reasonable efforts to: (x) preserve in all material respects the operations, organization and goodwill of their respective businesses intact (including by maintaining and renewing its Permits); and (y) preserve in all material respects relationships with Governmental Entities, customers, suppliers, partners, lessors, licensors, licensees, vendors, contractors, distributors, agents, officers and employees and others having business dealings with their respective businesses. The Sellers shall notify Buyer in writing of any event, occurrence, fact, condition or change in the Business, assets, operations or prospects of the Sellers that results in, or could reasonably be expected to result in, a Material Adverse Effect, promptly upon the occurrence of any such event, occurrence, fact, condition or change.

6.2 Negative Covenants. Except as (i) expressly provided in this Agreement, (ii) consented to in writing by Buyer or (iii) set out in Section 6.2 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, the Asset Sellers (or, in the case of paragraph (q), the Sellers) shall not, and shall cause the Transferred Entities not to, take any of the following actions:

- (a) incur or commit to incur any capital expenditures;
- (b) acquire or agree to acquire (by merging or consolidating with, or by purchasing any portion of the stock of, or other ownership interests in, or substantial portion of assets of, or by any other manner), any business or division or any corporation, partnership, association, limited liability company or other entity;
- (c) sell, lease, mortgage, pledge, transfer, license, sublease, or terminate or surrender any Lease or other real property interest in the Leased Real Property or Owned Real Property, or grant any Encumbrances on or otherwise encumber or dispose of any of the Purchased Assets (including any Contract available for assumption pursuant to Section 2.7 or the equity interest of any Transferred Entity), including the capital stock or equity interests of any of the

Sellers, other than Permitted Encumbrances and Encumbrances created by the Initial Order or the A&R Initial Order;

(d) (i) sell, assign, transfer, license, sublicense, covenant not to sue with respect to, abandon, cancel, permit to lapse or expire, or otherwise dispose of any Owned Intellectual Property (other than non-exclusive licenses granted to third persons in the Ordinary Course of Business or with respect to immaterial or obsolete Intellectual Property); (ii) enter into, modify or terminate an IP License or take any action or fail to take any action that may reasonably result in the right of the applicable licensor to terminate such IP License or otherwise modify the rights of any Seller or a Transferred Entity thereunder; or (iii) disclose any material Trade Secrets of any Seller to any other Person (other than in the ordinary course of business to a person bound by customary and adequate written confidentiality obligations);

(e) fail to Process any Personal Information in material compliance with all applicable Privacy Requirements;

(f) fail to take all actions reasonably necessary to protect the privacy and confidentiality of, and to protect and secure, any Personal Information in the possession or control of, or Processed by or on behalf of, the Business;

(g) fail to maintain or permit to lapse or expire any Permit;

(h) adjust, split, combine, redeem, repurchase or reclassify any capital stock or equity interests or issue or propose or authorize the issuance of any other securities (including Debt securities, options, profits interests, warrants or any similar security exercisable for, or convertible into, such other security);

(i) incur or assume any Debt (other than as would result in Liabilities that will constitute Excluded Liabilities or as contemplated by the DIP Term Sheet or permitted or approved therein);

(j) guarantee any Debt of any Person or enter into any “keep well” or other agreement to maintain any financial condition of another Person or enter into any arrangement having the economic effect of any of the foregoing (other than the DIP Term Sheet or as contemplated thereby);

(k) amend, restate, supplement, modify, waive or terminate any Material Contract;

(l) enter into any contract that would be a Material Contract if entered into prior to the date hereof;

(m) adopt or propose any amendments to the certificate of incorporation, bylaws or other organizational documents of any (i) Transferred Entity or (ii) any Seller in a manner adverse to Buyer or that would prohibit, materially delay or impair the consummation of the Transaction;

(n) initiate, compromise, settle or agree to settle any action, complaint, arbitration, or Proceeding, other than compromises, settlements or agreements in the Ordinary Course of Business that (i) involve only the payment of money damages to the extent permitted under the approved budget set forth in the DIP Facility (as may be updated in accordance with the DIP Term Sheet), (ii) do not impose ongoing limits on the conduct of the Business, and (iii) result in a full release of all Sellers with regard to the Claims giving rise to such Proceeding;

(o) change its financial or Tax accounting methods, except insofar as may have been required by applicable Law or a change in GAAP;

(p) except as required by applicable Law, enter into, amend, negotiate or terminate any Collective Bargaining Agreement or similar agreement with any labor union or labor organization representing any employees;

(q) except in connection with any “Key Employee Incentive Plan” or “Key Employee Retention Plan” approved by the CCAA Court, (i) increase the compensation payable to or to become payable to, or the benefits provided to, pay any bonus to, or grant any equity or equity-based award to, any current employee, director, independent contractor or other individual service provider of the Sellers; (ii) grant, increase, pay, provide or modify any severance, retention, change in control or termination payment or benefit to, or loan or advance or accelerate any amount to, any current or former employee, director, independent contractor or other individual service provider of the Sellers; (iii) accelerate the vesting or payment, or fund or in any other way secure the payment, of any compensation or benefit for any current or former employee, director, independent contractor or other individual service provider of the Sellers or take any action to accelerate the vesting or payment of, or otherwise fund or secure the payment of, any compensation or benefits under any Benefit Plan; (iv) approve, establish, adopt, enter into, amend or terminate any Benefit Plan, except as required by Law; (v) grant or forgive any loans to any current or former employee, director, independent contractor or other individual service provider of the Sellers; (vi) hire or promote, or terminate or demote (other than for cause), or modify in any material way the terms and conditions of employment of any current or former employee, independent contractor or other individual service provider of the Sellers (including the transfer of any employee outside the scope of the contemplated transaction); or (vii) waive or release any non-competition, non-solicitation, non-disclosure, non-interference, non-disparagement, or other restrictive covenant obligation of any current or former employee or independent contractor;

(r) resume operations at any facility related to the Business of U.S. SpokeCo;

(s) implement or announce any employee layoffs that could result in an obligation to give notice under the WARN Act;

(t) take any action inconsistent with, or omit to take any action required by, this Agreement; or

(u) authorize, commit or agree to take any of the foregoing actions or any other action which would reasonably be expected to prevent, or materially delay or impede, the satisfaction of any of the conditions set forth in Article VIII.

6.3 Access.

(a) Subject to applicable Law, until the Closing Date, the Sellers: (i) shall give Buyer and its Representatives reasonable access during normal business hours to the offices, assets, contracts, properties, officers, employees, accountants, auditors, counsel (other than counsel to the Sellers in connection with the CCAA Proceeding) and other representatives, books and records, of the Sellers and their Affiliates, including the Books and Records; (ii) shall furnish to Buyer and its Representatives such financial, operating and property related data and other information as such Persons reasonably request; (iii) shall instruct the employees, counsel and financial advisors of the Sellers and their Affiliates to cooperate reasonably with Buyer in its investigation of the Business; and (iv) shall, upon reasonable request of Buyer, use reasonable best efforts to provide Buyer with access to their customers, suppliers, vendors, distributors, manufacturers and other Persons with whom the Business has had material dealings to the extent relating to the Transferred Entities, the Transferred Assets or the Assumed Liabilities. No investigation by Buyer prior to or after the date of this Agreement shall diminish or obviate any of the representations, warranties, covenants or agreements of the Sellers contained in this Agreement. All such information shall be provided subject to the provisions of the DIP Term Sheet.

(b) From and after the Closing Date until the conclusion of the CCAA Proceeding, Buyer shall give the Sellers reasonable access during normal business hours to the books and records pertaining to their respective Transferred Assets, Transferred Entities and Assumed Liabilities, for the purposes of (i) the preparation or amendment of Tax Returns, (ii) the determination of any matter relating to the rights or obligations of the Sellers or any of their Affiliates under this Agreement, or (iii) as is necessary to administer, or satisfy their obligations in connection with, the CCAA Proceeding. Buyer shall, and shall cause each of its controlled Affiliates to, cooperate with the Sellers as may reasonably be requested by the Sellers for such purposes. Any other provision of this Agreement notwithstanding, the Sellers' rights under this Section 6.3 are fully assignable by the Sellers to any estate representative, including an official committee, trustee, litigation trust or similar Person empowered by the CCAA Court or applicable Law to discharge any administrative rights or duties in the CCAA Proceeding. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this Section 6.3(b) shall require Buyer to take any such action if (i) such action may result in a waiver or breach of any attorney/client privilege, (ii) such action could reasonably be expected to result in violation of applicable Law or Order, or (iii) providing such access or information would be reasonably expected to be disruptive to its normal business operations.

6.4 Confidentiality.

(a) From and after the Closing Date, the Sellers will treat and hold as confidential all of the Confidential Information, and will not, directly or indirectly, without the prior written consent of Buyer, disclose or use any Confidential Information. The Sellers' obligation not to disclose Confidential Information shall not apply to Confidential Information that it shall be required to disclose by Law; provided, however, that, prior to making such disclosure, the Sellers shall notify Buyer promptly to the extent legally permissible so that Buyer may seek confidential treatment or protection of such Confidential Information at Buyer's sole cost and expense.

(b) In the event that the Sellers are required in any Proceeding to disclose any Confidential Information, the Sellers will notify Buyer promptly of the requirement to the extent legally permissible so that Buyer may seek an appropriate protective order at Buyer's sole cost and expense or waive compliance with the provisions of this Section 6.4.

6.5 Public Announcements. From the Agreement Date, Buyer and the Sellers will consult with each other before issuing, and provide each other the reasonable opportunity to review and comment upon, any press release, any court filing or pleading filed with the CCAA Court relating primarily to this Agreement or the Transaction, or other public statements with respect to the Transaction, and neither Buyer nor the Sellers shall issue any such press release or make any such public statement without the prior written approval of the other Party, in each case except as may be required by Law, or by obligations pursuant to any listing agreement with any national securities exchange. Buyer and the Sellers shall use their respective reasonable best efforts to cause their respective controlled Affiliates, employees, officers and directors to comply with this Section 6.5.

6.6 Hired Employees

(a) Buyer may in its sole discretion provide offers of employment to any employees of the Sellers providing for employment commencement dates on or after the Closing Date, on terms and conditions determined by Buyer in its sole discretion.

(b) Buyer shall provide credit to Hired Employees under Buyer's paid time off plans for all accrued but unused vacation days as of the Closing, except to the extent that Hired Employees receive payment for such vacation days in connection with the Closing.

(c) Following the Closing, Buyer shall give each Hired Employee full credit for prior service with the Sellers for purposes of (i) eligibility and vesting under any health, welfare or retirement plans of Buyer (for the avoidance of doubt, excluding any vesting or benefit accrual under any defined benefit pension, deferred compensation, or equity or equity-based incentive plans, or any plan under which such crediting would be prohibited), and (ii) determination of benefit levels under any employee benefit plans of Buyer relating to paid time off, in each case, for which the Hired Employee is otherwise eligible and in which the Hired Employee is offered participation, except (i) as would result in duplication of benefits or the funding thereof or (ii) to the extent prior service is not credited to employees of Buyer or one of its Affiliates under any employee benefit plans or programs of Buyer or its Affiliates. Buyer shall use reasonable best efforts to waive, or cause to be waived, any limitations on benefits relating to pre-existing conditions to the same extent such limitations are waived under any comparable plan of the Sellers and use reasonable best efforts to recognize for purposes of annual deductible and out-of-pocket limits under its medical and dental plans, deductible and out-of-pocket expenses paid by Hired Employees in the calendar year in which the Closing Date occurs.

(d) Without limiting the generality of Section 2.6, each Seller shall retain responsibility for, and satisfy all Liabilities with respect to, all payments and benefits of the employees (and their spouses, dependents and beneficiaries, and all former employees, agents and representatives) under Benefit Plans accrued up to the Closing Date or which relate to events prior to the Closing Date in accordance with the terms thereof and applicable Laws, including but not

limited to any defined benefit pension plan, transaction based compensation, change in control benefits, retention bonuses, incentive equity, nonqualified deferred compensation, severance, and retirement benefits, but excluding all Accrued Wages with respect to Hired Employees.

(e) Without limiting the generality of Article II, each Seller shall be responsible for the following claims or benefit payments of all employees (and their spouses, dependents and beneficiaries, and all former employees, agents and representatives) regardless of whether such claims are filed before or after the Closing Date:

(i) with respect to death or dismemberment claims, those in respect of which the event occurred prior to the Closing Date;

(ii) with respect to health claims, those in respect of which the services were provided or the supplies were purchased prior to the Closing Date; and

(iii) with respect to short term and/or long term disability claims and workers' compensation claims, for those claims resulting from events that occurred prior to the Closing Date, including, to the extent covered under the Benefit Plans, for recurring illnesses which first originated with events occurring prior to the Closing Date, whether or not such claims continue after the Closing Date.

(f) the Sellers agree that, notwithstanding the terms of any restrictive covenant agreement between the Sellers and any Hired Employee, such Hired Employee shall be permitted to provide services to Buyer and its Affiliates following the Closing, and the Sellers will not seek to enforce the terms of any such restrictive covenant following the Closing.

(g) Buyer and the Sellers shall cooperate, and cause their respective Affiliates to cooperate, as is reasonably appropriate to carry out the provisions of this Section 6.6, including by facilitating introductions and assigning Contracts as appropriate to maintain relationships with independent contractors, temporary staffing agencies, background check vendors, and other third-party service providers to the extent necessary to maintain the Business's operations in the ordinary course.

(h) This Section 6.6 shall operate exclusively for the benefit of the Sellers and Buyer and not for the benefit of any other Person, including any current or former employees of the Sellers or the Hired Employees, which Persons shall have no rights to enforce this Section 6.6. Nothing in this Section 6.6 shall: (i) entitle any Hired Employee to employment with Buyer; (ii) (A) for Hired Employees located in the United States, change such Hired Employee's status as an employee-at-will or (B) otherwise restrict the ability of Buyer to terminate the service of any Hired Employee at any time or for any reason; (iii) create any third party rights in any current or former service provider of the Sellers (including any beneficiary or dependent thereof); or (iv) be treated as an amendment of any Benefit Plan or other employee benefit plan or arrangement or restrict the ability of Buyer, the Sellers or any of their respective Affiliates to amend, modify, discontinue or terminate any Benefit Plan or other employee benefit plan or arrangement. Buyer shall have no obligations or other Liabilities under this Agreement with respect to any Person who is not or elects not to become a Hired Employee. Seller shall be exclusively responsible for all Liabilities

arising from Seller's employment of any non-Hired Employee and all such Liabilities will constitute Excluded Liabilities under this Agreement.

6.7 Payment of Transfer Taxes and Tax Filings. All Transfer Taxes arising out of the transfer of the Purchased Assets and any Transfer Taxes required to effect any recording or filing with respect thereto shall be borne by Buyer or the Canadian Buyer (as applicable). The Transfer Taxes shall be calculated assuming that no exemption from Transfer Taxes is available, unless otherwise indicated in the Approval and Vesting Order or, at Closing, the Sellers or Buyer, as appropriate, provide an appropriate resale exemption certificate or other evidence acceptable to Buyer or the Sellers, as appropriate, of exemption from such Transfer Taxes. The Sellers and Buyer shall cooperate to timely prepare and file any Tax Returns relating to such Transfer Taxes, including any claim for exemption or exclusion from the application or imposition of any Transfer Taxes. Each of Buyer and the Canadian Buyer (as applicable). shall file all necessary documentation and returns with respect to such Transfer Taxes that are required to be filed by each under applicable Law when due, and shall promptly, following the filing thereof, furnish a copy of such return or other filing and a copy of a receipt showing payment of any such Transfer Tax to Buyer, Canadian Buyer or the Sellers, as the case may be. Each Party shall furnish or cause to be furnished to the other, upon request, as promptly as practicable, such information and assistance relating to the Purchased Assets and the Business as is reasonably necessary for filing of all Tax Returns, including any claim for exemption or exclusion from the application or imposition of any Taxes or making of any election related to Taxes, the preparation for any audit by any taxing authority and the prosecution or defense of any claim, suit or proceeding relating to any Tax Return.

6.8 Permit Transfers; Reasonable Efforts.

(a) At the Closing, the Sellers shall transfer, modify or cause to be reissued all Permits (including all Environmental Permits) related to the Business in the name of and for the benefit of Buyer or an Affiliate of Buyer (if Buyer identifies such an Affiliate), and make all related filings and submissions, in each case, for consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and to allow Buyer or an Affiliate of Buyer (if Buyer identifies such an Affiliate) to own and operate the Business and the Transferred Assets. If any such Permit cannot be transferred, modified or reissued at the Closing, the Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts, at the Buyer's cost and expense, to assist Buyer in obtaining a new Permit after the Closing, and maintain such Permit and provide Buyer and Buyer's Affiliate (if Buyer identifies such an Affiliate) with the benefit of such Permit after the Closing and until Buyer obtains a new Permit.

(b) Each of the Parties will use reasonable best efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all actions and use reasonable best efforts to do, or cause to be done, and to assist and cooperate with the other Parties in doing, all things which are necessary, proper or advisable to consummate and make effective the Transaction including: (i) the obtaining or taking of all other necessary actions, non-actions or waivers from Governmental Entities and the making of all other necessary registrations and filings with Governmental Entities, other than approvals from any Governmental Entities that are subject to Section 6.9, and (ii) the execution and delivery of any additional certificates, agreements, instruments, reports, schedules, statements, consents, documents and information necessary to consummate the Transaction.

(c) In furtherance of the foregoing, each Party shall use its reasonable best efforts to obtain any consents and approvals from any third party other than a Governmental Entity that may be required in connection with the Transaction (the “Third Party Consents”). Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, the Sellers shall not be required to compensate any applicable third party, commence or participate in any Proceeding or offer or grant any accommodation (financial or otherwise, including any accommodation or arrangement to indemnify, remain primarily, secondarily or contingently liable for any Assumed Liability) to any applicable third party in connection with the Sellers’ obligations under this Section 6.8(c).

6.9 Regulatory Approval.

(a) Buyer shall make or cause to be made a notification filing pursuant to the ICA no later than five (5) Business Days after the date hereof.

(b) Each Party shall use reasonable best efforts to take such action as may be required to obtain the ICA Approval with respect to the Transaction as promptly as possible after the execution of this Agreement. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Party shall: (i) comply as promptly as practicable and advisable with any request under the ICA or pursuant to any other applicable Law for additional information, documents, or other materials received by each of them from any Governmental Entity in respect of such filings or the Transaction; and (ii) cooperate with each other in connection with any such filing and in connection with resolving any investigation or other inquiry of any Governmental Entity under the ICA or pursuant to any applicable Law with respect to any such filing or the Transaction. Each Party shall use reasonable best efforts to furnish to each other all information required for any application or other filing to be made pursuant to any applicable Law in connection with the Transaction. Each Party shall promptly inform the other Parties of any substantive oral communication with, and provide copies of substantive written communications with, any Governmental Entity regarding any such filings or the Transaction. No Party shall independently participate in any formal meeting with any Governmental Entity in respect of any such filings, investigation, or other inquiry without giving the other Parties prior notice of the meeting and, to the extent permitted by such Governmental Entity, the opportunity to attend and/or participate. Subject to applicable Law, the Parties will consult and cooperate with one another in connection with any analyses, appearances, presentations, memoranda, briefs, arguments, opinions and proposals made or submitted by or on behalf of any Party relating to Proceedings under the ICA or in connection with any investigation by any Governmental Entity regarding the Transaction. The Parties may, as each deems advisable and necessary, reasonably designate any competitively sensitive material provided to the other under this Section 6.9 as “outside counsel only.” Such materials and the information contained therein shall be given only to the outside legal counsel of the recipient and will not be disclosed by such outside counsel to employees, officers, or directors of the recipient, unless express written permission is obtained in advance from the source of the materials (a Seller or Buyer, as the case may be).

(c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary provided herein, (i) neither Buyer nor any of its Affiliates shall be required to (and the Sellers shall not, without the prior written consent of Buyer), and (ii) “reasonable best efforts” of the Buyer shall not be construed to require that Buyer or any of its Affiliates: (i) hold separate (including by trust or otherwise) or divest any of its businesses, product lines or assets, or any of the Transferred Assets; (ii) agree to any

limitation on the operation or conduct of any of its businesses, product lines or assets, or any of the businesses of the Transferred Assets or the Transferred Entities; or (iii) agree to any other remedial action whatsoever.

6.10 Corporate Name Change. At the Closing, each Seller shall deliver to Buyer a duly executed and acknowledged certificate of amendment to such Seller's certificate of incorporation or other organizational document which is required to change such Seller's corporate or other entity name to a new name that is, in Buyer's reasonable judgment, sufficiently dissimilar to such Seller's present name so as to avoid confusion and to make each Seller's present name available to Buyer. Buyer and any Affiliate of Buyer are hereby authorized (but not obligated) to file such certificates or other documents (at Buyer's expense) in order to effectuate such change of name at or after the Closing as Buyer or Canadian Buyer may elect. At the Closing, each Seller shall deliver to Buyer appropriate documents, duly executed and acknowledged, which is required to change such Seller's name to such new name in any jurisdiction in which such Seller is qualified to do business, in forms reasonably satisfactory to Buyer. Buyer and any Affiliate of Buyer are hereby authorized (but not obligated) to file such documents with appropriate public officials and Governmental Entity at or after Closing as Buyer or Canadian Buyer may elect. After the Closing, each Seller shall take any additional actions reasonably requested by Buyer to enable Buyer, Canadian Buyer or any of their respective Affiliates to operate and conduct business under such Seller's present name or name similar thereto and to qualify to do business under such Seller's present name or name similar thereto in any state or other jurisdiction.

6.11 Tax Matters.

(a) The Purchaser Price is exclusive of Transfer Taxes. Canadian Buyer and any other Buyer is liable for and shall pay all Transfer Taxes payable in respect of the sale and transfer of the Purchased Assets directly to the appropriate Canadian Seller at Closing, or if not payable at Closing, when due under applicable Law. To the extent a Transfer Tax is payable by Buyer but not collectible by a Canadian Seller under applicable Law, Buyer shall remit such Transfer Taxes payable to the appropriate Governmental Entity in compliance with applicable Law.

(b) If requested by the Buyer, the Canadian Buyer and the Canadian Sellers shall elect to have the provisions of subsection 167(1) and 167(1.1) of the HST Legislation apply to the sale of the Purchased Assets by the Canadian Sellers to the Canadian Buyer, if the Parties agree that such provisions are applicable. The Parties shall take all actions as may be necessary or advisable in order to complete and file a valid joint election as provided in subsection 167(1) of the HST Legislation and the Canadian Buyer shall file the joint election on or before the date on which the Canadian Buyer must submit its HST return for the reporting period in which the Closing occurs. To the extent a Governmental Entity disallows or otherwise denies the election(s) made by the Parties under section 167 of the HST Legislation, the Buyer shall indemnify and hold harmless the Canadian Seller(s) in respect of any HST, penalty and interest that may be assessed by the Governmental Entity against the Seller for the failure to collect HST in respect of the sale and transfer of the Purchased Assets for which the election(s) was disallowed or otherwise denied together with any Losses incurred by the Seller. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the Buyer's obligation to indemnify and hold harmless the Seller hereunder shall survive the Closing and shall continue in full force and effect for the benefit of the Seller without

any caps or other limitations until the expiration of the time during which the relevant Governmental Entity may assess the Seller for failure to collect HST in respect of the sale and transfer of the Purchased Assets. The Buyer shall remain liable for any HST that it is required to self-assess and remit directly to the Governmental Entity.

(c) The Canadian Buyer and the Canadian Sellers agree to furnish or cause to be furnished to each other, upon request, as promptly as practicable, such information and assistance relating to the applicable Purchased Assets as is reasonably necessary for the filing of all Tax Returns and making of any election related to Taxes, the preparation for any audit by any Governmental Entity, and the prosecution or defense of any Cause of Action relating to any Tax Return. The Canadian Buyer and the Canadian Sellers shall cooperate with each other in the conduct of any audit or other proceeding related to Taxes involving the applicable Purchased Assets and each shall execute and deliver such powers of attorney and other documents as are necessary to carry out the intent of this Agreement. In addition, the Canadian Buyer and the Canadian Sellers agree to maintain or arrange for the maintenance of all records necessary to comply with this Agreement for a period of seven (7) years from the Closing Date (or such longer period as may be reasonably requested in writing by the Canadian Buyer or the Canadian Seller(s)) and each Party agrees to afford the other reasonable access to such records during normal business hours.

(d) If requested by, and at the sole option of, the Canadian Buyer, the Canadian Sellers and the Canadian Buyer shall jointly execute and file elections under section 22 of the Tax Act and the corresponding provisions of any applicable provincial Tax legislation in prescribed manner and within the prescribed time limits in respect of the sale of the accounts receivable of such Canadian Seller. The amount designated in any such election shall be the applicable portion of the Purchase Price paid by the Canadian Buyer for the accounts receivable as set out in the Allocation Schedule.

(e) If requested by, and at the sole option of, the Canadian Buyer, any Canadian Seller and Canadian Buyer shall jointly execute and file an election pursuant to subsection 20(24) of the Tax Act and the corresponding provision of any applicable provincial legislation in prescribed manner and within the prescribed time limits in respect of deferred revenue of the Business or the Canadian Assets for an amount of the deferred revenue that is being transferred to such Canadian Buyer in consideration for such Canadian Buyer undertaking future obligations in connection with the deferred revenue. In this regard, each such Canadian Seller and Canadian Buyer acknowledge that if such election is made, a portion of the Canadian Assets having a value equal to the elected amount shall be transferred by such Canadian Seller to such Canadian Buyer for the assumption of future obligations.

(f) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in the event that, pursuant to section 182 of the HST Legislation or a corresponding provision under any other Law, any Transfer Tax is deemed to be included in any payment made by a Party pursuant to this Agreement, such payment shall be increased to take into account any such Transfer Tax that is deemed to be included in the payment.

(g) The Buyers and the Sellers shall make any other election under the Tax Act or any other Tax legislation that the Buyer and Seller reasonably determine is available and necessary or advisable.

6.12 Payment of Sales Tax.

(a) Buyer agrees that after the Closing Date it will be responsible for the accounting, for, remittance and payment of all sales, value-added and similar Taxes that arise from operation of the Business from and after the Closing.

(b) All liability for Taxes with respect to the Purchased Assets attributable to the Pre-Closing Tax Period shall be borne by the Sellers, and liability for Taxes attributable to the Post-Closing Tax Period shall be borne by Buyer or the Canadian Buyer, as applicable. For purposes of this Agreement, with respect to Taxes attributable to any taxable year or other taxable period beginning on or before and ending after the Closing Date, (i) Taxes imposed on a periodic basis in respect of the Purchased Assets (such as property taxes) shall be allocated between the Pre-Closing Tax Period and the Post-Closing Tax Period pro rata on the basis of the number of days in such period, and (ii) Taxes (other than periodic Taxes) in respect of the Purchased Assets for the Pre-Closing Tax Period shall be computed as if such taxable period ended as of the end of the Closing Date. Without limiting any other provision of this Agreement, the Sellers shall be solely liable for any Taxes imposed upon the Sellers or any of their Affiliates for the Pre-Closing Tax Period.

6.13 Proration of Taxes. In the case of any Straddle Period, the amount of Taxes of U.S. SpokeCo attributable to the Pre-Closing Tax Period and imposed on or measured by income, receipts, payments or transactions shall be determined based on an interim closing of the books of U.S. SpokeCo as of the Closing Date. Any Taxes of U.S. SpokeCo for a Straddle Period, other than Taxes imposed on or measured by income, receipts, payments or transactions, shall be deemed to accrue for the Straddle Period on a daily pro-rata basis.

6.14 Tax Indemnity. From and after the Closing until the sixth (6th) anniversary of the Closing, the Sellers shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless any Buyer or U.S. SpokeCo from and against all Indemnified Taxes.

6.15 Pre-Acquisition Reorganizations. Prior to or substantially concurrently with the Closing, the Parties shall (and shall cause their Affiliates to) complete the Pre-Acquisition Reorganization Steps in the sequence set forth on Schedule III, as applicable; provided, that Buyer may modify or supplement the Pre-Acquisition Reorganization Steps in a manner that does not materially and adversely affect Seller Parent and its Subsidiaries (other than the Transferred Entities). The Parties further agree to negotiate the Pre-Acquisition Reorganization Documentation in good faith.

6.16 Intercompany Obligations. Each Seller shall take or cause to be taken such action and make or cause to be made such payments as may be necessary so that, as of the Closing Date, there shall be no intercompany obligations (other than the obligations set forth on Section 6.16 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule) between the Transferred Entities, on the one hand, and Seller Parent and its respective Affiliates (other than the Transferred Entities), on the other hand. Sellers

shall provide Buyer with a written summary of the proposed actions necessary to comply with its obligations hereunder and shall modify such proposed actions in good faith to address any of Buyer's comments; provided, that no such action shall be permitted hereunder without Buyer's prior written consent if such action would result in any Liability of the Transferred Entity that will not be paid or satisfied in full on or prior to Closing. Nothing in this Section 6.16 shall require any Seller to terminate or cancel any intercompany obligations exclusively between or among the Transferred Entities.

6.17 Payment Guarantee. At or before the Closing, Buyer shall use reasonable efforts to obtain a release of Sellers' obligations under the Payment Guarantee ("Seller Release"). To the extent the beneficiary or counterparty under the Payment Guarantee does not agree as of the Closing to such Seller Release, effective from and after the Closing Date, Seller Parent shall maintain the Payment Guarantee until the earlier of (x) the date Buyer delivers a Seller Release, (y) twelve (12) months after the Closing and (z) the date Seller Parent ceases to exist. Buyer shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless Seller Parent against, and, solely to the extent the Payment Guarantee is drawn upon or required to be performed, advance to Seller Parent, all amounts required to be paid, including costs or expenses in connection with such Payment Guarantee, including Seller Parent's expenses in maintaining the Payment Guarantee; provided, that, if Sellers are so advanced any funds by Buyer pursuant hereto, Seller Parent or the applicable Seller shall pay such amount to the counterparty, to and in accordance with, the Payment Guarantee.

6.18 Transition Services Agreement. If Buyer so requests, the Parties, in consultation with the Monitor, will use commercially reasonable efforts to negotiate the Transition Services Agreement, in form and substance reasonably acceptable to Buyer and the applicable Sellers (the "Transition Services Agreement"), including the fees and costs to be charged for the services provided pursuant to the Transition Services Agreement, which such fees shall be at cost, the duration of the Transition Services Agreement, and any other terms and provisions of the Transition Services Agreements; in each case, taking into account the size and capabilities of Sellers' workforce as of the Agreement Date and any adverse changes thereto since that date. If the Parties agree on each of the foregoing, the Parties will, as of the Closing, enter into the Transition Services Agreement which will cover the scope of services agreed to by the Parties.

6.19 Wrong Pockets.

(a) If, at any time following the Closing, any Party becomes aware that any Transferred Asset which should have been transferred, conveyed, assigned or delivered to Buyer pursuant to the terms of this Agreement and the Transaction Documents was not transferred, conveyed, assigned or delivered to Buyer as contemplated by this Agreement and the Transaction Documents, then the Sellers shall, or shall cause their Affiliates to, (i) promptly transfer, convey, assign or deliver such Transferred Asset to Buyer (or its designated Affiliate), in each case for no additional consideration and consistent with the terms of this Agreement, (ii) execute all instruments, agreements or documents as may be reasonably necessary for the purpose of transferring the relevant interests in the Transferred Assets (or part thereof) held by such Seller or such Seller's Affiliate to Buyer, (iii) do all such further acts or things as may be reasonably necessary to validly effect the transfer and vest the relevant interest in such assets (or part thereof) in Buyer.

(b) From and after the Closing, if any Seller or any of their Affiliates receives any mail, packages, invoice, service request information, data, document or other correspondence or communications, or receives any monies or checks or other funds or proceeds relating to a Transferred Asset or on behalf of any Transferred Entity, or if Buyer or any of its Affiliates receive any mail, packages, invoice, service request information, data, document or other correspondence or communications, or receive any monies or checks or other funds or proceeds relating to the Sellers' or their Affiliates' business, properties or assets (other than the Transferred Assets or the Transferred Equity), such party shall promptly (and in any event within five (5) Business Days following receipt thereof) remit such mail, packages, correspondence, communications, monies, receivables, funds, request, information, data, document or proceeds to the other party (and any such amounts shall be treated as received by and held in trust by the relevant party).

6.20 Section 16. Seller Parent agrees and acknowledges that the acquisition of certain assets of Seller Parent, and any direct or indirect transactions (including any acquisitions, deemed acquisitions, dispositions and/or deemed dispositions) involving Seller Parent's equity securities (and/or any related derivative securities) by Buyer and/or any of its direct or indirect "affiliates" (as defined in this Section 6.20) with Seller Parent or any of its Subsidiaries, in connection with, related to or contemplated by the Convertible Notes, the DIP Facility, this Agreement, the Transaction Documents, and transactions contemplated hereby or thereby, and any other arrangements, agreements or understandings related thereto, including any prior, concurrent or subsequent reorganization, recapitalization, dissolution, liquidation, wind up or similar transactions, are intended to be exempt from Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act pursuant to one or more rules promulgated thereunder (including Rule 16b-3 under the Exchange Act), applicable law and the SEC's releases and interpretations, and Seller Parent will, and will cause its successors and assigns (whether as a result of consolidation, merger, other similar transaction or otherwise) to, from time to time as and when requested by Buyer and/or any of its direct or indirect affiliates, adopt appropriate resolutions of the board of directors of Seller Parent (the "Seller Parent Board") or a committee thereof composed solely of two or more "non-employee directors" as defined in Rule 16b-3 under the Exchange Act, execute and deliver or cause to be executed and delivered, to the extent it may lawfully do so, all such documents and instruments (including any such resolutions of Seller Parent Board or such committee thereof) and take, or cause to be taken, to the extent it may lawfully do so, all such further actions as Buyer and/or any of its direct or indirect affiliates, may reasonably deem necessary and desirable, in each case to facilitate and effect any such exemption. Solely for purposes of this Section 6.20, "affiliate" shall have the meaning ascribed to such term as defined in Rule 12b-2 under the Exchange Act.

6.21 Financial Support to the Swiss Entity and the German SpokeCo. From and after the Closing, Buyer (or its designated Affiliate) shall provide sufficient financial support to the Swiss Entity to ensure that the Swiss Entity and the German SpokeCo are not over-indebted (*überschuldet*) or illiquid (*zahlungsunfähig*) as determined by the applicable Laws of the jurisdictions each entity is located for a period of 12 months from the date hereof; it being understood that the obligations under this Section 6.20 shall not be construed to constitute a letter of comfort (*Patronatserklärung*) by Buyer and any breach of this Section 6.21 shall only be enforceable by the Swiss Entity and the Germany SpokeCo who for purposes of this Section 6.21 are named third party beneficiaries under this Agreement.

ARTICLE VII

INSOLVENCY PROCEEDINGS

7.1 CCAA Proceeding.

(a) The Parties acknowledge and agree that: (i) the form of each of the A&R Initial Order, the SISP, the SISP Order, the Approval and Vesting Order, the SISP Recognition and 363 Order and the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order shall be settled between the Parties (such settled forms, the “Final Exhibits”), in each case in form and substance satisfactory to the Buyer, by no later than the date that is five (5) days following the date of this Agreement (such date, the “Exhibit Finalization Date”); and (ii) promptly following the Parties’ settling of the Final Exhibits, the Sellers shall serve on the service list in the CCAA Proceeding, and file with the CCAA Court, a copy of this Agreement with the Final Exhibits appended as Exhibits hereto.

(b) The Parties acknowledge and agree that the Sellers shall apply to the CCAA Court by no later than May 14, 2025, for the Initial Order, and all Parties will use reasonable best efforts to have the Initial Order issued.

(c) The Parties acknowledge and agree that the Sellers shall apply to the CCAA Court by no later than May 22, 2025, for the A&R Initial Order, substantially in the form of Exhibit A attached hereto, and all Parties will use reasonable best efforts to have the A&R Initial Order issued.

(d) The Parties acknowledge and agree that the Sellers shall apply to the CCAA Court by no later than May 22, 2025, for the SISP Order, substantially in the form of Exhibit C attached hereto, and all Parties will use reasonable best efforts to have the SISP Order issued. Buyer acknowledges and agrees that the SISP is in contemplation of determining whether a superior bid can be obtained for the Transferred Assets or the Transferred Equity Interests or some alternative form of sale, investment or restructuring transaction in respect of the Sellers, the Transferred Assets, the Transferred Equity Interests and/or the Business.

(e) The Sellers shall provide Buyer for review, reasonably in advance of filing, drafts of such motions, pleadings or other filing related to the process of consummating the Transaction to be filed with the Court, including the motions for issuance of the A&R Initial Order, the SISP Order, the Approval and Vesting Order, the SISP Recognition and 363 Order, the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order and any Further Order and/or U.S. Assignment Order and shall promptly inform Buyer of any notice, correspondence or court materials it receives from another Person with respect to any objections, concerns, or positions purportedly intended to be raised with the Court. The Sellers acknowledge and agree (i) that any such motions, pleadings, or other filings shall be in form and substance satisfactory to Buyer, acting reasonably, and (ii) to consult and cooperate with Buyer regarding any discovery, examinations and hearing in respect of any of the foregoing, including the submission of any evidence, including witness testimony, in connection with such hearing.

(f) In the event an appeal is taken or a stay pending appeal is requested from the SISP Order, an order pursuant to section 11.3 of the CCAA, the Approval and Vesting Order,

the SISP Recognition and 363 Order, the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order, or any Further Order or U.S. Assignment Order, the Sellers shall promptly notify Buyer of such appeal or stay request and shall promptly provide Buyer a copy of the related notice of appeal or order of stay. The Sellers shall also provide Buyer with written notice of any motion or application filed in connection with any appeal from such orders. The Sellers agree to take all action as may be reasonable and appropriate to defend against such appeal or stay request and the resolution of such appeal or stay request, provided that nothing herein shall preclude the Parties from consummating the Transaction, if the Approval and Vesting Order and the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order, as applicable, shall have been issued and has not been stayed and if Buyer and the Sellers, in their respective sole discretion, waive in writing the condition that the Approval and Vesting Order or the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order, as applicable, be Final.

7.2 Expense Reimbursement and Break Fee. In consideration for Buyer's considerable expenditure of time and money and agreement to act as the initial bidder and the preparation of this Agreement, and in performing due diligence pursuant to this Agreement, in the event that an Alternative Transaction is selected as the Successful Bid in accordance with the SISP, Buyer shall be entitled to: (i) an expense reimbursement for Buyer's and its Affiliates' documented reasonable out-of-pocket expenses (without duplication to the fees and expenses incurred in connection with the DIP Term Sheet) incurred in connection with this Agreement and/or the Transaction in an aggregate amount equal to the amount of such expenses, plus applicable Taxes, up to a maximum of \$200,000 (the "Expense Reimbursement"); and (ii) the Break Fee; provided, that the Expense Reimbursement and the Break Fee shall be payable by the Sellers to Buyer on the date upon which closing occurs in respect of any Alternative Transaction; provided, further, that Buyer shall not be entitled to payment of the Expense Reimbursement and the Break Fee if no Successful Bid is selected in accordance with the SISP and the SISP terminates in accordance with its terms. The payment of the Expense Reimbursement and the Break Fee shall be approved in the SISP Order and shall be secured by a Court-ordered charge against the Sellers' assets in priority to amounts secured by existing security other than amounts secured by the various charges approved by the CCAA Court in the Initial Order and/or the A&R Initial Order (the "Expense Reimbursement and Break Fee Charge"). Each of the Parties acknowledges and agrees that with respect to a termination of this Agreement pursuant to Section 9.1(b)(i), Section 9.1(b)(iii), Section 9.1(b)(iv), Section 9.1(b)(v) or Section 9.1(d)(i), the Expense Reimbursement and the Break Fee together represent a fair and reasonable estimate of the costs that will be incurred by Buyer as a result of non-completion of the Transaction, and are not intended to be punitive in nature nor to discourage competitive bidding for the Business, the Transferred Assets and/or the Transferred Equity Interests, and no Party shall take a position inconsistent with this Section 7.2. Each Seller irrevocably waives any right it may have to raise as a defense that any such liquidation damages are excessive or punitive. Each of the Parties acknowledges and agrees that the Expense Reimbursement and the Break Fee in this Section 7.2 is an integral part of this Agreement and of the Transaction, and that without these agreements, Buyer would not enter into this Agreement. Upon payment of the Expense Reimbursement and the Break Fee to Buyer in connection with a termination of this Agreement pursuant to Section 9.1(b)(i), Section 9.1(b)(iii), Section 9.1(b)(iv), Section 9.1(b)(v) or Section 9.1(d)(i), Buyer shall be precluded from any other remedy against the Sellers at law or in equity or otherwise in respect of the disclaimer, repudiation, breach or termination of this Agreement; provided that nothing herein shall preclude any Party from seeking

injunctive relief to restrain any breach or threatened breach of the covenants or agreements set forth in this Agreement or to compel specific performance of this Agreement.

7.3 Third-Party Arrangements.

(a) During the period beginning on the date this Agreement is declared as the Successful Bid pursuant to the SISP Order and ending on the Closing Date (the “Interim Period”), the Sellers will, and will cause the Transferred Entities to, use reasonable best efforts to cause the Sellers’ and the Transferred Entities’ management and Representatives to cooperate with Buyer as reasonably requested by Buyer, in connection with Buyer’s efforts to renegotiate the terms of, or enter into any settlement agreement or similar agreement related to, the Business’ contractual arrangements set forth on Section 7.3 of the Sellers’ Disclosure Schedule, or any Permitted Encumbrance, Assumed Liability or any outstanding or future Claims, liabilities or Encumbrances against any of Transferred Entities (collectively, the “Stakeholder Negotiations”). Such assistance shall include using reasonable best efforts to: (i) provide access to documents and other information in connection with the Stakeholder Negotiations; (ii) at Buyer’s request, provide introductions to key associates of each of the Sellers’ stakeholders responsible for relevant communications with the applicable Seller; (iii) upon reasonable advance notice from Buyer, participate (including making members of management, with appropriate seniority and expertise, and other necessary Representatives of the Sellers) in meetings with Buyer and/or the Business’ third-party stakeholders; (iv) reasonably assist with the preparation of materials in advance of any such meetings, in each case to the extent such materials relate to information concerning the Transferred Assets or the Transferred Entities; (v) review, approve and enter into such agreements or arrangements as is requested by Buyer; provided, however, that such cooperation does not: (A) require the entry by any Seller or any of their respective Affiliates into any agreement (x) if executed by a Seller that will not be an Assumed Contract and (y) the effectiveness of which is, or any of Seller Parent’s or its Subsidiaries’ obligations thereunder are, not conditioned on the consummation of the Transaction; (B) prevent or materially delay the consummation of the Transaction; (C) require the payment of monies prior to the Closing Date to any third-party counterparty subject to such Stakeholder Negotiations; or (D) take or permit the taking of any action that would reasonably be expected to conflict with, result in any violation or breach of, or default (with or without lapse of time, or both) under, the Sellers’ or the Transferred Entities organizational documents or any applicable law (such exceptions set forth in (A) through (D) above, the “Cooperation Exceptions”). Subject to the Sellers’ compliance with Section 7.3(a)(v), no representation, warranty or covenant of any Seller contained in this Agreement shall be breached or deemed breached, and no condition shall be deemed not satisfied, based on the failure, in and of itself, by the applicable Seller to obtain any amended terms or enter into any settlement agreement or similar agreement contemplated by this Section 7.3(a).

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement or the Confidentiality Agreement, unless and until this Agreement is terminated, Buyer shall be permitted to contact, communicate, engage and negotiate with any third-party customer, vendor or other contract counterparty of, and consent or agree to a settlement of any Claims, liabilities or Encumbrances against the Sellers or the Transferred Entities, in each case, in connection with the Stakeholder Negotiations; provided that: (i) Seller Parent is kept reasonably informed of such contact, communication, engagement, negotiations and settlements; (ii) any such action does not prevent or materially delay the consummation of the Transaction; (iii) Buyer shall not disclose any

confidential information in respect of the Transferred Assets or the Transferred Entities without Seller Parent's prior written consent, not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed (unless and until the receiving party is party to a confidentiality agreement with Seller Parent or its Subsidiaries that is reasonably acceptable to Seller Parent); and (iv) the effectiveness of any settlement shall be subject to, and shall not be effective until, the consummation of the Transaction. To the maximum extent permitted by applicable Law, Buyer shall, in consultation with Seller Parent's management, lead and direct all actions, terms, decisions and strategy for, and make all final determinations as to the timing, terms and appropriate course of action with respect to the Stakeholder Negotiations, subject to the Cooperation Exceptions.

7.4 Chapter 15 Recognition Proceedings.

(a) Buyer shall cooperate with the Sellers acting reasonably, as may be necessary, in obtaining the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order, the SISP Recognition and Section 363 Order and any U.S. Assignment Order, as requested by Buyer.

(b) No later than three (3) Business Days from the entry of the SISP Order, the Sellers shall file a motion seeking entry of the SISP Recognition and Section 363 Order.

(c) No later than two (2) Business Days from the entry of the Approval and Vesting Order, the Sellers shall file a motion seeking entry of the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order.

(d) Notice of the motions seeking the issuance of the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order and SISP Recognition and Section 363 Order shall be served by the Sellers on all Persons required to receive notice under applicable Law and the requirements of the CCAA, the CCAA Court, the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court and any other Person determined necessary by the Sellers or Buyer.

ARTICLE VIII

CONDITIONS TO OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES

8.1 Conditions Precedent to Obligations of Buyer. The obligation of Buyer to consummate the Transaction is subject to the satisfaction (or waiver by Buyer in Buyer's sole discretion) on or prior to the Closing Date of each of the following conditions:

(a) Accuracy of Representations and Warranties. The Sellers Fundamental Representations shall be true and correct in all respects on the date hereof and on and as of the Closing Date, with the same force and effect as though such representations and warranties had been made on and as of the Closing Date (except to the extent that any such representation or warranty is expressly made as of a specified date, in which case such representation and warranty shall have been true and correct as of such date). All other representations and warranties of the Sellers contained in Article IV shall be true and correct in all respects (disregarding for this purpose all materiality or "Material Adverse Effect" qualifications contained herein) on the date hereof and as of the Closing Date (except to the extent that any such representation or warranty is expressly made as of a specified date, in which case such representation and warranty shall have been true

and correct as of such date), except where the failure of any such representations or warranties to be true and correct, either individually or in the aggregate, has not resulted in or would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(b) Performance of Obligations. The Sellers shall have performed in all material respects all obligations and agreements contained in this Agreement required to be performed by it on or prior to the Closing Date.

(c) DIP Financing. The DIP Term Sheet shall be approved by the CCAA Court in form and substance acceptable to Buyer and any Encumbrance securing the DIP Facility shall have been fully and unconditionally discharged and released at the Closing against all of the Transferred Assets and the Transferred Equity Interests.

(d) No Material Adverse Effect. There shall have been no Material Adverse Effect from the Agreement Date through the Closing Date.

(e) No Challenges to Credit Bid. There shall be no pending challenge or contest to the validity, amount, perfection or priority of the Credit Documents or other Claims of Buyer thereunder that would prevent or otherwise limit Buyer's ability to credit bid the Credit Bid Amount, unless any such challenge or contest shall have been resolved to the reasonable satisfaction of Buyer in its sole discretion.

(f) Deliverables. The Sellers shall have delivered, or caused to be delivered, to Buyer each deliverable required pursuant to Section 3.1(b).

(g) SISP Order. The SISP shall have been conducted in accordance with its terms and the terms of the SISP Order.

(h) Cure Amounts Schedule. The Sellers shall have delivered the most recent Updated Cure Amounts Schedule to Buyer by no earlier than seven (7) Business Days before and no later than two (2) Business Days before the Closing Date, or such other date as Buyer may agree to in writing.

(i) Carve-Out Conditions. (i) All of the shares or other equity interests in all Carve-Out Entities shall have been validly transferred to Seller Parent (or an entity designated by Seller Parent that will be an Affiliate of Seller Parent after the Closing) and Seller Parent shall have provided Buyer by Notice with sufficient evidence of the transfer of the shares or other equity interests in all of the Carve-Out Entities pursuant to customary documentation in the respective geography of each Carve-Out Entity in form and substance acceptable to Buyer and (ii) the applicable Sellers shall have satisfied the condition set forth in Section 8.1(i) of Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

(j) DIP Agreement. No event of default shall have occurred under the DIP Facility.

8.2 Conditions Precedent to the Obligations of the Sellers. The obligation of the Sellers to consummate the Transaction is subject to the satisfaction (or waiver by the Sellers) at or prior to the Closing Date of each of the following conditions:

(a) Accuracy of Representations and Warranties. The Buyer's Fundamental Representations shall be true and correct in all respects on the date hereof and on and as of the Closing Date, with the same force and effect as though such representations and warranties had been made on and as of the Closing Date (except to the extent that any such representation or warranty is expressly made as of a specified date, in which case such representation and warranty shall have been true and correct as of such date). All other representations and warranties contained in Article V shall be true and correct in all respects (disregarding for this purpose all materiality or "Material Adverse Effect" qualifications contained herein) on the date hereof and as of the Closing Date (except to the extent that any such representation or warranty is expressly made as of a specified date, in which case such representation and warranty shall have been true and correct as of such date), except where the failure of any such representations or warranties to be true and correct, either individually or in the aggregate, has not resulted in or would not reasonably be expected to have an adverse effect on Buyer's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement in any material respect.

(b) Performance of Obligations. Buyer shall have performed in all material respects all obligations and agreements contained in this Agreement required to be performed by it prior to or on the Closing Date.

(c) Deliverables. Buyer shall have delivered to the Sellers each deliverable required pursuant to Section 3.1(c).

8.3 Conditions Precedent to Obligations of Buyer and the Sellers. The respective obligations of Buyer and the Sellers to consummate the Transaction are subject to the fulfillment, on or prior to the Closing Date, of each of the following conditions (any or all of which may be waived by the Parties in whole or in part to the extent permitted by applicable Law):

(a) no provision of any applicable Law or Order enacted, entered, promulgated, enforced or issued by any Governmental Entity (including the Competition Bureau) shall be in effect that prevents, renders illegal or otherwise prohibits the sale and purchase of the Transferred Assets, the Transferred Equity Interests or any of the other Transaction.

(b) the CCAA Court shall have granted the Initial Order and it shall be Final;

(c) the CCAA Court shall have granted the A&R Initial Order and it shall be Final;

(d) the CCAA Court shall have granted the SISP Order and it shall be Final;

(e) the CCAA Court shall have granted the Approval and Vesting Order no later than July 7, 2025, or such later date as Buyer may agree to in writing, which order shall have become Final;

(f) the CCAA Court shall have granted the SISP Recognition Order and it shall be Final;

(g) the U.S. Bankruptcy Court shall have entered into the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order by no later than July 16, 2025, or such later date as Buyer may agree to in writing, which order shall have become Final;

(h) this Agreement shall be the Successful Bid (as determined pursuant to the SISP); and

(i) unless waived by Buyer in its sole discretion, the ICA Approval shall have been received.

8.4 Frustration of Closing Conditions. Neither the Sellers nor Buyer may rely on the failure of any condition to their respective obligations to consummate the Transaction set forth in Section 8.1, Section 8.2 or Section 8.3, as the case may be, to be satisfied if such failure was caused by such Party's failure to comply with or breach of any provision of this Agreement.

8.5 Monitor's Certificate.

(a) When the conditions to Closing set out in Sections 8.1, 8.2 and 8.3 have been satisfied and/or waived by the Sellers and/or Buyer, as applicable, the Sellers and Buyer or their respective counsel will each deliver to the Monitor confirmation that such conditions of Closing, as applicable, have been satisfied and/or waived (the "Conditions Certificates"). Upon receipt of the Conditions Certificates, the Monitor shall: (i) issue forthwith its Monitor's Certificate concurrently to the Sellers and Buyer, at which time the Closing will be deemed to have occurred; and (ii) file as soon as practicable a copy of the Monitor's Certificate with the CCAA Court (and shall provide a true copy of such filed certificate to the Sellers and Buyer). In the case of (i) and (ii) above, the Monitor will be relying exclusively on the basis of the Conditions Certificates without any obligation whatsoever to verify the satisfaction or waiver of the applicable conditions.

(b) The Parties agree and acknowledge that the Monitor shall have no liability to the Parties in connection with the Monitor's Certificate or otherwise in connection with the Transaction, and in performing its role the Monitor shall be acting in its capacity as such and shall have all of the rights, protections, limitations on liability and benefits of the CCAA, the Initial Order, the A&R Initial Order, any other order of the CCAA Court made in the CCAA Proceeding and as an officer of the CCAA Court.

ARTICLE IX

TERMINATION

9.1 Termination of Agreement. This Agreement may be terminated and the Transaction abandoned at any time prior to the Closing:

(a) by mutual agreement of the Sellers and Buyer;

(b) by Buyer, if:

(i) there shall have been a breach by the Sellers of any of their representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained in this Agreement, which breach would

result in the failure to satisfy one or more of the conditions set forth in Section 8.1, and such breach shall be incapable of being cured or, if capable of being cured, shall not have been cured by the earlier of (A) July 18, 2025 (or such later date as the Parties may agree upon in writing, the “Outside Date”) or (B) five (5) Business Days after written notice thereof shall have been received by the Sellers from Buyer;

(ii) there is a breach or event of default under the DIP Term Sheet;

(iii) if the Sellers, or any of their Affiliates, request or support, or the CCAA Court approves, any amendments or modifications to the SISP that are not consented to by Buyer;

(iv) if the CCAA Proceeding is terminated or a trustee in bankruptcy or a receiver is appointed in respect of the Sellers and/or their assets, and such trustee in bankruptcy or receiver refuses to proceed with the Transaction;

(v) if Seller Parent, or any other Seller, enters into a definitive agreement with respect to an Alternative Transaction or the CCAA Court or the Bankruptcy Court otherwise approves an Alternative Transaction that is not this Transaction; or

(vi) if the Final Exhibits are not settled by the Exhibit Finalization Date (provided that Buyer shall only have the right to terminate this Agreement under this Section 9.1(b)(vi) until 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time) on the date that is two (2) days prior to the hearing before the CCAA Court for the A&R Initial Order, following which date Buyer shall not be entitled to terminate this Agreement under this Section 9.1(b)(vi));

(c) by the Sellers, if, there shall have been a breach by Buyer of any of its representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained in this Agreement, which breach would result in the failure to satisfy one or more of the conditions set forth in Section 8.2, and such breach shall be incapable of being cured or, if capable of being cured, shall not have been cured within the earlier of (i) Outside Date or (ii) five (5) Business Days after written Notice thereof shall have been received by Buyer from the Sellers; or

(d) by either Buyer or the Sellers:

(i) if this Agreement is not selected as the Successful Bid (as determined pursuant to the SISP);

(ii) if the Closing shall not have occurred by the Outside Date (except that a Party seeking to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 9.1(d)(ii) shall not have the right to do so if such Party is then in material breach of its obligations under this Agreement); or

(iii) if any Governmental Entity shall have enacted or issued a Law or Order or taken other action permanently restraining, prohibiting or enjoining Buyer, its designated Affiliates or the Sellers from consummating the Transaction.

9.2 Consequences of Termination.

(a) To terminate this Agreement under Section 9.1, written notice thereof must be given to the other Party, and this Agreement will thereafter become void and have no further force and effect, subject to the terms of this Section 9.2, and all further obligations of the Sellers and Buyer to each other under this Agreement will terminate without further obligation or liability of the Sellers or Buyer to the other.

(b) If this Agreement is terminated for any reason other than pursuant to Section 9.1(a) and Section 9.1(c), then Buyer shall be entitled to payment of the Expense Reimbursement subject to and in accordance with Section 7.2.

(c) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section(s) 9.1(b)(i), 9.1(b)(iii), 9.1(b)(iv), 9.1(b)(v), or 9.1(d)(i), then without duplication of amounts payable to Buyer in accordance with Section 9.2(b), Buyer shall be entitled to payment of the Break Fee and Expense Reimbursement subject to and in accordance with Section 7.2.

(d) Notwithstanding the foregoing set forth in this Section 9.2, Section 1.1 (*Defined Terms*), Section 6.5 (*Public Announcements*), Section 6.7 (*Payment of Transfer Taxes and Tax Filings*), Section 6.11 (*Tax Matters*), Section 7.2 (*Expense Reimbursement and Break Fee*) this Section 9.2 (*Consequences of Termination*) and Article X (*Miscellaneous*) shall survive any such termination of this Agreement, with the obligations under Section 6.7 and 6.9(c) to survive until the date that is thirty (30) days following the expiration of the applicable statute of limitations.

(e) Nothing in Section 7.2 or this Section 9.2 shall relieve Buyer or the Sellers or any liability for willful breach of this Agreement or fraud prior to the date of termination.

ARTICLE X

MISCELLANEOUS

10.1 Expenses. Except as set forth in this Agreement and the DIP Term Sheet, and whether or not the Transaction are consummated, each Party shall bear all costs and expenses incurred or to be incurred by such Party in connection with this Agreement and the consummation of the Transaction.

10.2 Assignment. Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights or obligations hereunder may be assigned by the Sellers without the prior written consent of Buyer, or by Buyer without the prior written consent of Sellers; provided, however, that Buyer may assign its rights and liabilities hereunder to one or more Affiliates of Buyer, which assignment shall not relieve Buyer of its obligations hereunder, except in the case of an assignment by Buyer to an entity of substance reasonably acceptable to Sellers (it being agreed that Glencore International AG is reasonably acceptable to Seller Parent), in which case, Buyer shall be relieved of all such obligations. Subject to the foregoing, this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Buyer may, without the consent of any of the other Parties, designate, in accordance with the terms of this

paragraph and effective as of the Closing, one or more Persons to acquire all, or any portion of, the Transferred Assets or the Transferred Entities and assume all or any portion of the Assumed Liabilities. Such designation may be made by Buyer by written notice to the Sellers and the Monitor at any time prior to the Closing; provided, that such designation shall not relieve Buyer of its obligations to deliver the Credit Bid Amount or pay the Cure Amounts hereunder. The Parties agree to modify, or cause to be modified, any Closing deliverables in accordance with any such designation.

10.3 Parties in Interest. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure solely to the benefit of the Sellers and Buyer, and nothing in this Agreement, express or implied, is intended to or shall confer upon any other Person any rights, benefits or remedies of any nature whatsoever under or by reason of this Agreement except as expressly set forth herein. Without limiting the foregoing, no direct or indirect holder of any equity interests or securities of either the Sellers or Buyer (whether such holder is a limited or general partner, member, stockholder or otherwise), nor any Affiliate of any of the Sellers or Buyer, nor any Representative, or controlling Person of each of the Parties and their respective Affiliates, shall have any liability or obligation arising under this Agreement or the Transaction.

10.4 Notices. All notices, demands, requests, consents, approvals or other communications (collectively, "Notices") required or permitted to be given hereunder or that are given with respect to this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be personally served, delivered by a nationally recognized overnight delivery service with charges prepaid, or transmitted by hand delivery or electronic mail, addressed as set forth below, or to such other address as such Party shall have specified most recently by written Notice. Notice shall be deemed given on the date of service or transmission if personally served or transmitted by electronic mail with confirmation of receipt; provided, however, that, if delivered or transmitted on a day other than a Business Day, notice shall be deemed given on the next Business Day. Notice otherwise sent as provided herein shall be deemed given on the next Business Day following timely deposit of such Notice with an overnight delivery service:

If to the Sellers:

Li-Cycle Holdings Corp.
Suite 5300, TD Bank Tower, Box 48
66 Wellington Street West, Toronto, Ontario,
M5K 1E6
Attention: Corporate Secretary
Email: legalnotices@li-cycle.com

With a copy to:

McCarthy Tétrault LLP
66 Wellington St W
Suite 5300

Toronto, ON M5K 1E6
Attention: Robert Hansen; Fraser Bourne
Email: rhansen@mccarthy.ca;
fbourne@mccarthy.ca

With a copy to:

Freshfields US LLP
3 World Trade Center
51st Floor
175 Greenwich Street
New York, New York 10007
Attention: Andrea Basham; Madlyn Primoff
Email: andrea.basham@freshfields.com;
madlyn.primoff@freshfields.com

And with a copy to the Monitor:

Alvarez & Marsal Canada Inc.
Royal Bank Plaza, South Tower
200 Bay Street, Suite 3501
Toronto ON M5J 2J1

Attention: Melanie MacKenzie, Joshua Nevsky
Email: mmackenzie@alvarezandmarsal.com;
jnevsky@alvarezandmarsal.com

And with a copy to the Monitor's counsel:

Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP
First Canadian Place
100 King St. W Suite 6200
Toronto, ON M5X 1 B8

Attention: Michael De Lellis & Martino Calvaruso
Email: mdelellis@osler.com;
mcalvaruso@osler.com

If to Buyer:

Glencore International AG
Baarermattstrasse 3
CH – 6340 Baar
Switzerland
Attention: General Counsel
Email: general.counsel@glencore.com

With a copy to:

Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP
767 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10153

Attention:

Matt Barr; Chase Bentley; Mariel E. Cruz; David Avery-Gee; and Eoghan Keenan

Email:

Matt.Barr@weil.com; Chase.Bentley@weil.com;
Mariel.Cruz@weil.com; David.Avery-Gee@weil.com; and Eoghan.Keenan@weil.com

and

Torys LLP
79 Wellington St. W., 30th Floor
Box 270, TD South Tower
Toronto, Ontario M5K 1N2

Attention:

Scott Bomhof; John Emanoilidis; David Bish

Email:

sbomhof@torys.com; jemanoilidis@torys.com;
dbish@torys.com

Rejection of or refusal to accept any Notice, or the inability to deliver any Notice because of changed address of which no Notice was given, shall be deemed to be receipt of the Notice as of the date of such rejection, refusal or inability to deliver.

10.5 Entire Agreement; Amendments and Waivers. This Agreement and all agreements entered into pursuant hereto and all certificates and instruments delivered pursuant hereto and thereto constitute the entire agreement between the Parties pertaining to the subject matter hereof and supersede all prior agreements, understandings, negotiations, and discussions, whether oral or written, of the Parties. This Agreement may be amended, supplemented or modified, and any of the terms, covenants, representations, warranties or conditions may be waived, only by a written instrument executed by Buyer and Seller Parent, or in the case of a waiver, by the Party waiving compliance. No waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed or shall constitute a waiver of any other provision hereof (whether or not similar), and no such waiver shall constitute a continuing waiver unless otherwise expressly provided. No failure on the part of any Party to exercise, and no delay in exercising, any right, power or remedy hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of such right, power or remedy by such Party preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or remedy.

10.6 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Counterparts to this Agreement may be delivered via “pdf” or facsimile. In proving

this Agreement, it shall not be necessary to produce or account for more than one such counterpart signed by the Party against whom enforcement is sought.

10.7 Invalidity. If any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement or in any other instrument referred to herein, shall, for any reason, be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to modify this Agreement, to ensure that this Agreement shall reflect as closely as practicable the intent of the Parties on the date hereof. If the final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction or other Governmental Entity declares that any term or provision hereof is invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the Parties agree that the court making such determination will have the power to reduce the scope, duration, area or applicability of the term or provision, to delete specific words or phrases, or to replace any invalid, illegal or unenforceable term or provision with a term or provision that is valid, legal and enforceable and that comes closest to expressing the intention of the invalid, illegal or unenforceable term or provision.

10.8 Governing Law; Jurisdiction and Venue. This Agreement, the rights and obligations of the Parties under this Agreement, and any claims or controversy (each, a “Transaction Dispute”) directly or indirectly based upon or arising out of this Agreement or the Transaction (whether based on contract, tort, or any other theory), including all matters of construction, validity and performance, shall in all respects be governed by, and interpreted, construed and determined in accordance with, the laws of the Province of Ontario and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein, without regard to the conflicts of law principles thereof. The Parties consent to the jurisdiction and venue of the courts of Ontario for the resolution of any such disputes arising under this Agreement. Each Party agrees that service of process on such Party as provided in Section 10.4 shall be deemed effective service of process on such Party. Buyer and the Sellers further agree that the CCAA Court shall have jurisdiction over all disputes and other matters relating to (a) the interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement or any other Transaction Document and/or (b) the Transferred Assets and/or Assumed Liabilities and the Parties expressly consent to and agree not to contest such jurisdiction.

10.9 WAIVER OF RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY. THE SELLERS AND BUYER HEREBY WAIVE TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW ANY RIGHT THEY MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY PROCEEDING IN CONNECTION WITH A TRANSACTION DISPUTE.

10.10 Specific Performance. Each Party acknowledges and agrees that the other Party may be damaged irreparably in the event that a Party does not perform its obligations under this Agreement in accordance with its specific terms or otherwise breaches this Agreement, so that, in addition to any other remedy that Buyer, Canadian Buyer, or the Sellers may have under law or equity, each Party may be entitled to injunctive relief to prevent any breaches of the provisions of this Agreement by the other Parties and to enforce specifically this Agreement and the terms and provisions hereof.

10.11 Third Party Beneficiaries. Nothing in this Agreement, express or implied, is intended to confer upon any other Person any rights or remedies of any nature under or by reason of this Agreement, except with respect to the Monitor or as otherwise expressly provided herein, including Section 10.14 and Section 6.21 (solely to the extent provided therein).

10.12 Counting. If the due date for any action to be taken under this Agreement (including the delivery of Notices) is not a Business Day, then such action shall be considered timely taken if performed on or prior to the next Business Day following such due date.

10.13 Survival. Except as expressly set forth in this Agreement to the contrary, all representations and warranties and covenants of Buyer and the Sellers, respectively, contained in this Agreement or in any document delivered pursuant hereto shall not survive the Closing Date and thereafter shall be of no further force and effect. Notwithstanding the foregoing, all covenants and agreements set forth in this Agreement, which by their terms would require performance after the Closing Date, shall survive until fully performed or until such covenant or agreement expires by its terms and set forth and subject to the limitations provided therein.

10.14 Non-Recourse. All claims, Liabilities, Proceedings, or Claims (whether in contract or in tort, in law or in equity, or granted by statute) that may be based upon, in respect of, arise under, out or by reason of, be connected with, or relate in any manner to a Transaction Dispute, may be made only against (and are expressly limited to) the entities that are expressly identified as the Parties in the preamble to this Agreement or, if applicable, their permitted assignees (“Contracting Parties”). No Person who is not a Contracting Party, including any past, present or future director, officer, employee, incorporator, member, partner, manager, equityholder, Affiliate, agent, attorney, or representative of, and any financial advisor or lender to, any Contracting Party, or any director, officer, employee, incorporator, member, partner, manager, equityholder, Affiliate, agent, attorney, or representative of, and any financial advisor or lender to, any of the foregoing (“Nonparty Affiliates”), shall have any Liability (whether in contract or in tort, in law or in equity, or granted by statute) for any claims, Liabilities, or Claims, arising under, out of, in connection with, or related in any manner to a Transaction Dispute; and, to the maximum extent permitted by Law, each Contracting Party hereby waives and releases all such claims, Liabilities, and Claims, against any such Nonparty Affiliates.

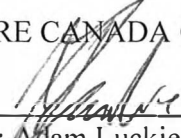
10.15 Preparation of this Agreement. Buyer and the Sellers hereby acknowledge that (a) Buyer and the Sellers jointly and equally participated in the drafting of this Agreement and all other agreements contemplated hereby, (b) Buyer and the Sellers have been adequately represented and advised by legal counsel with respect to this Agreement and the Transaction, and (c) no presumption shall be made that any provision of this Agreement shall be construed against either Party by reason of such role in the drafting of this Agreement and any other agreement contemplated hereby.

10.16 Authorization Order. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, this Agreement will not be binding on the Sellers (other than Section 7.1(b)) unless the Initial Order is made.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been duly executed and delivered
by the duly authorized signatories of the Sellers and Buyer as of the date first above written.

BUYER: GLENCORE CANADA CORPORATION

By: 
Name: Adam Luckie
Title: Authorized Signatory

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the duly authorized officers of the Sellers and Buyer as of the date first above written.

BUYER:

GLENCORE CANADA CORPORATION

By: _____

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

SELLERS:

LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP.

By: _____ 

Name: Ajay Kochhar

Title: President and CEO

LI-CYCLE U.S. INC.

By: _____ 

Name: Ajay Kochhar

Title: President and CEO

LI-CYCLE NORTH AMERICA HUB, INC.

By: _____ 

Name: Ajay Kochhar

Title: President and CEO

LI-CYCLE CORP.

By: _____ 

Name: Ajay Kochhar

Title: President and CEO

LI-CYCLE AMERICAS CORP.

By: _____ 

Name: Ajay Kochhar

Title: President and CEO

Schedule I

List of Sellers

Asset Sellers

Li-Cycle North America Hub, Inc., a Delaware corporation

Li-Cycle Corp., a corporation existing under the laws of the Province of Ontario

Li-Cycle Americas Corp., a corporation existing under the laws of the Province of Ontario

Li-Cycle U.S. Inc., a Delaware corporation

Li-Cycle Holdings Corp., a corporation existing under the laws of the Province of Ontario

Equity Sellers

Li-Cycle U.S. Inc., a Delaware corporation

Li-Cycle Holdings Corp., a corporation existing under the laws of the Province of Ontario

Intellectual Property Seller

Li-Cycle Corp., a corporation existing under the laws of the Province of Ontario

Schedule II

Carve-out Entities

Li-Cycle United Kingdom Ltd., a private limited Company established under the laws of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Li-Cycle Hungary Kft, a limited liability company (korlátolt felelősségű társaság) established under the laws of Hungary

Li-Cycle France S.à r.l., a limited liability company (Société à responsabilité limitée) established under the laws of the French Republic

Li-Cycle Norway AS, a private limited liability company (Aksjeselskap) established under the laws of the Kingdom of Norway

Schedule III

Pre-Acquisition Reorganization Steps

The following steps shall occur in the following order on or about the Closing Date (except as otherwise indicated):

Step 1:

Prior to Closing, Glencore International AG ("GIAG") will form a new entity established under the laws of Switzerland ("Buyer Parent"). Buyer Parent then forms a new entity also established under the laws of Switzerland ("MidCo"). MidCo then forms new entities existing under the laws of (i) Delaware ("U.S. NewCo"), (ii) Canada and (iii) Switzerland. U.S. NewCo will elect to be classified as a corporation for U.S. federal tax purposes. U.S. NewCo 1 will then form a new entity ("U.S. NewCo 2"), a Delaware limited liability company, who will elect to be classified as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes.

Step 2:

At least two (2) days prior to the Closing, U.S. SpokeCo shall convert from a Delaware corporation to a Delaware limited liability company pursuant to Delaware's conversion statute (the "Conversion"), and in connection with the Conversion U.S. SpokeCo shall change its name to Li-Cycle, LLC or such other name selected by Buyer. After the Conversion and at least one (1) day prior to the Closing, U.S. SpokeCo shall file a protective election on IRS Form 8832 to be classified as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes, effective as of the date of the Conversion and such election will indicate that it is an initial classification election by a newly-formed entity.

Step 3:

On the Closing Date, immediately prior to Closing, Glencore Canada Corporation ("GCC") and Li-Cycle Holdings Corp. will split either Secured Note 1 or Secured Note 2 into (i) a Term Loan ("Term Loan"), representing an amount of the principal amount due and owing under such preexisting Secured Convertible Note equal to \$40,000,000 *less* the Credit Bid Amount (the "Term Loan Amount"), and (ii) a Convertible Note ("Remainder Secured Note 1"), representing the remainder of the principal amount and interest of such preexisting Secured Convertible Note (for the avoidance of doubt, after giving effect to the reduction of such principal amount outstanding under preexisting Secured Convertible Note on the Closing Date pursuant to Section 3.2).

To give effect to the foregoing, the Parties agree to negotiate in good faith and enter into (i) a note purchase agreement with respect to Remainder Secured Note 1, (ii) a term loan agreement, representing the Term Loan and (iii) (A) security documents in connection with the Term Loan, (B) guarantees in connection with the Term Loan and (C) release documentation for the Transferred Equity Interests and Transferred Assets with respect to the Convertible Notes.

Step 4:

Immediately following Step 3, GCC will transfer to GIAG all of its right, title and interest in the Term Loan, after which GIAG becomes the lender thereunder. The Remainder Secured Note 1, Secured Note 2 and Unsecured Note remain with GCC.

EXHIBIT A
A&R Initial Order

Court File No.

**ONTARIO
SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE
COMMERCIAL LIST**

THE HONOURABLE)	THURSDAY, THE 22ND DAY
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JUSTICE)	OF MAY, 2025

IN THE MATTER OF THE *COMPANIES' CREDITORS*
ARRANGEMENT ACT, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED

AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED PLAN
OF COMPROMISE OR ARRANGEMENT WITH RESPECT TO
LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP., LI-CYCLE CORP., LI-CYCLE AMERICAS CORP.,
LI-CYCLE U.S. INC., LI-CYCLE INC. AND LI-CYCLE NORTH AMERICA HUB, INC.

Applicants

AMENDED AND RESTATED INITIAL ORDER

THIS APPLICATION, made by the Applicants pursuant to the *Cmpanies' Creditors Arrangement Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the “**CCAA**”) for an order amending and restating the Initial Order (the “**Initial Order**”) issued on May 14, 2025 (the “**Initial Filing Date**”) and extending the stay of proceedings provided for therein was heard this day at 330 University Avenue, Toronto, Ontario.

ON READING the affidavit of Ajay Kochhar sworn May 12, 2025 and the Exhibits thereto (the “**Kochhar Affidavit**”), the affidavit of William E. Aziz sworn May ●, 2025 and the Exhibits thereto (the “**Aziz Affidavit**”), the consent of Alvarez & Marsal Canada Inc. (“**A&M**”) to act as the Monitor (in such capacity, the “**Monitor**”), the Pre-Filing Report of A&M in its capacity as the proposed Monitor dated May ●, 2025, and the First Report of the Monitor dated May ●, 2025 and on being advised that the secured creditors who are likely to be affected by the charges created herein were given notice, and on hearing the submissions of counsel for the Applicants, the Monitor and such other parties as listed on the counsel slip, no other party

appearing although duly served as appears from the Affidavit of Service of ● sworn May ●, 2025.

AMENDING AND RESTATING INITIAL ORDER

1. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Initial Order, reflecting the Initial Filing Date, shall be amended and restated as provided for herein.

SERVICE

2. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the time for service and filing of the Notice of Application, the Application Record and the Supplementary Application Record is hereby abridged and validated so that this Application is properly returnable today and hereby dispenses with further service thereof.

APPLICATION

3. **THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES** that the Applicants are companies to which the CCAA applies.

PLAN OF ARRANGEMENT

4. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall have the authority to file and may, subject to further order of this Court, file with this Court one or more plans of compromise or arrangement (hereinafter referred to as the “**Plan**”).

POSSESSION OF PROPERTY AND OPERATIONS

5. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall remain in possession and control of their current and future assets, undertakings and properties of every nature and kind whatsoever, and wherever situate including all proceeds thereof (the “**Property**”). Subject to further Order of this Court, the Applicants shall continue to carry on business in a manner consistent with the preservation of their businesses (the “**Business**”) and Property. The Applicants are authorized and empowered to continue to retain and employ the employees, contractors, consultants, agents, experts, accountants, advisors, counsel and such other persons (collectively “**Assistants**”) currently retained or employed by them, with liberty to retain such further Assistants as they

deem reasonably necessary or desirable in the ordinary course of business, to preserve the value of the Property or for the carrying out of the terms of this Order.

6. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall be entitled to continue to utilize the central cash management system currently in place or, with the consent of the Monitor, replace it with another substantially similar central cash management system (the "**Cash Management System**") and that any present or future bank providing the Cash Management System shall not be under any obligation whatsoever to inquire into the propriety, validity or legality of any transfer, payment, collection or other action taken under the Cash Management System, or as to the use or application by the Applicants of funds transferred, paid, collected or otherwise dealt with in the Cash Management System, shall be entitled to provide the Cash Management System without any liability in respect thereof to any Person (as hereinafter defined) other than the Applicants, pursuant to the terms of the documentation applicable to the Cash Management System, and shall be, in its capacity as provider of the Cash Management System, an unaffected creditor under the Plan with regard to any claims or expenses it may suffer or incur in connection with the provision of the Cash Management System.

7. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall be entitled but not required to pay the following expenses whether incurred prior to, on or after the Initial Filing Date:

- (a) all outstanding and future wages, salaries, contract amounts, employee and pension benefits, vacation pay and expenses (including, without limitation, in respect of expenses charged by employees to corporate credit cards) payable on or after the Initial Filing Date, in each case incurred in the ordinary course of business and consistent with existing compensation policies and arrangements;
- (b) the fees and disbursements of any Assistants retained or employed by the Applicants in respect of these proceedings, at their standard rates and charges; and
- (c) with the consent of the Monitor, amounts owing for goods or services actually supplied to the Applicants prior to the Initial Filing Date by third party suppliers, if, in the opinion of the Applicants following consultation with the Monitor, the third party supplier is critical to the Business, ongoing operations of the Applicants, or preservation of the Property and the payment is required to ensure ongoing supply.

8. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, except as otherwise provided to the contrary herein, the Applicants shall be entitled but not required to pay all reasonable expenses incurred by the Applicants in carrying on the Business in the ordinary course after the Initial Filing Date, and in carrying out the provisions of this Order, which expenses shall include, without limitation:

- (a) all expenses and capital expenditures reasonably necessary for the preservation of the Property or the Business including, without limitation, payments on account of insurance (including directors and officers insurance), maintenance and security services;
- (b) expenses required to ensure compliance with any governmental or regulatory rules, orders or directions; and
- (c) payment for goods or services actually supplied to the Applicants following the Initial Filing Date.

9. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall remit, in accordance with legal requirements, or pay:

- (a) any statutory deemed trust amounts in favour of the Crown in right of Canada or of any Province thereof or any other taxation authority which are required to be deducted from employees' wages, including, without limitation, amounts in respect of (i) employment insurance, (ii) Canada Pension Plan, (iii) income taxes, and (iv) statutory deductions in the United States, and all other amounts related to such deductions or employee wages payable for periods following the Initial Filing Date pursuant to the *Income Tax Act*, the *Canada Pension Plan*, the *Employment Insurance Act* or similar provincial statutes;
- (b) all goods and services or other applicable sales taxes (collectively, "**Sales Taxes**") required to be remitted by the Applicants in connection with the sale of goods and services by the Applicants, but only where such Sales Taxes are accrued or collected after the Initial Filing Date, or where such Sales Taxes were accrued or collected prior to the Initial Filing Date but not required to be remitted until on or after the Initial Filing Date; and

- (c) any amount payable to the Crown in right of Canada or of any Province thereof or any political subdivision thereof or any other taxation authority in respect of municipal realty, municipal business or other taxes, assessments or levies of any nature or kind which are entitled at law to be paid in priority to claims of secured creditors and which are attributable to or in respect of the carrying on of the Business by the Applicants.

10. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that until a real property lease is disclaimed in accordance with the CCAA, the Applicants shall pay all amounts constituting rent or payable as rent under real property leases (including, for greater certainty, common area maintenance charges, utilities and realty taxes and any other amounts payable to the landlord under the lease) or as otherwise may be negotiated between the Applicants and the landlord from time to time (“**Rent**”), for the period commencing from and including the Initial Filing Date twice-monthly in equal payments on the first and fifteenth day of each month, in advance (but not in arrears), or, at the election of the applicable Applicant, at such intervals as such Rent is usually paid pursuant to the applicable lease. On the date of the first of such payments, any Rent relating to the period commencing from and including the Initial Filing Date shall also be paid.

11. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, except as specifically permitted herein, the Applicants are hereby directed, until further Order of this Court: (a) to make no payments of principal, interest thereon or otherwise on account of amounts owing by the Applicants to any of their creditors as of the Initial Filing Date; (b) to grant no security interests, trust, liens, charges or encumbrances upon or in respect of any of their Property; and (c) to not grant credit or incur liabilities except in the ordinary course of the Business.

RESTRUCTURING

12. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall, subject to such requirements as are imposed by the CCAA, have the right to:

- (a) permanently or temporarily cease, downsize or shut down any of their businesses or operations, and to dispose of redundant or non-material assets not exceeding \$500,000 in any one transaction or \$1,000,000 in the aggregate;

- (b) terminate the employment of such of their employees or temporarily lay off such of their employees as it deems appropriate; and
- (c) pursue all avenues of refinancing, restructuring, selling or reorganizing their Business or Property, in whole or part, subject to prior approval of this Court being obtained before any material refinancing, restructuring, sale or reorganization,

all of the foregoing to permit the Applicants to proceed with an orderly restructuring of the Applicants and/or the Business (the “**Restructuring**”).

13. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall provide each of the relevant landlords with notice of the Applicants’ intention to remove any fixtures from any leased premises at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the intended removal. The relevant landlord shall be entitled to have a representative present in the leased premises to observe such removal and, if the landlord disputes the Applicants’ entitlement to remove any such fixture under the provisions of the lease, such fixture shall remain on the premises and shall be dealt with as agreed between any applicable secured creditors, such landlord and the Applicants, or by further Order of this Court upon application by the Applicants on at least two (2) days notice to such landlord and any such secured creditors. If any of the Applicants disclaim the lease governing such leased premises in accordance with Section 32 of the CCAA, it shall not be required to pay Rent under such lease pending resolution of any such dispute (other than Rent payable for the notice period provided for in Section 32(5) of the CCAA), and the disclaimer of the lease shall be without prejudice to the Applicants’ claims to the fixtures in dispute.

14. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that if a notice of disclaimer is delivered pursuant to Section 32 of the CCAA, then (a) during the notice period prior to the effective time of the disclaimer, the landlord may show the affected leased premises to prospective tenants during normal business hours, on giving the Applicants and the Monitor 24 hours' prior written notice, and (b) at the effective time of the disclaimer, the relevant landlord shall be entitled to take possession of any such leased premises without waiver of or prejudice to any claims or rights such landlord may have against the Applicants in respect of such lease or leased premises, provided that nothing herein shall relieve such landlord of its obligation to mitigate any damages claimed in connection therewith.

NO PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE APPLICANTS OR THE PROPERTY

15. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that from the Initial Filing Date until and including ●, or such later date as this Court may order (the “**Stay Period**”), no proceeding or enforcement process in any court or tribunal (each, a “**Proceeding**”) shall be commenced or continued against or in respect of the Applicants or the Monitor or their respective employees, advisors or representatives acting in such capacities, or affecting the Business or the Property (including, for greater certainty, any process or steps or other rights and remedies under or relating to any class action proceeding against any of the Applicants or in respect of the Property), except with the written consent of the Applicants and the Monitor, or with leave of this Court, and any and all Proceedings currently under way against or in respect of the Applicants or their respective employees, advisors or representatives acting in such capacities or affecting the Business or the Property are hereby stayed and suspended pending further Order of this Court.

16. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, to the extent any prescription, time or limitation period relating to any Proceeding against or in respect of any of the Applicants that is stayed pursuant to this Order may expire, the term of such prescription, time or limitation period shall hereby be deemed to be extended for a period equal to the Stay Period.

NO EXERCISE OF RIGHTS OR REMEDIES

17. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that during the Stay Period, all rights and remedies of any individual, firm, corporation, governmental body or agency, or any other entities (all of the foregoing, collectively being “**Persons**” and each being a “**Person**”) against or in respect of the Applicants or the Monitor, or their respective employees, advisors or representatives acting in such capacities, or affecting the Business or the Property, are hereby stayed and suspended except with the written consent of the Applicants and the Monitor, or leave of this Court, provided that nothing in this Order shall (i) empower the Applicants to carry on any business which the Applicants are not lawfully entitled to carry on, (ii) affect such investigations, actions, suits or proceedings by a regulatory body as are permitted by Section 11.1 of the CCAA, (iii) prevent the filing of any registration to preserve or perfect a security interest, or (iv) prevent the registration of a claim for lien.

NO INTERFERENCE WITH RIGHTS

18. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that during the Stay Period, no Person shall accelerate, suspend, discontinue, fail to honour, alter, interfere with, repudiate, rescind, terminate or cease to perform any right, renewal right, contract, agreement, lease, sublease, licence authorization or permit in favour of or held by the Applicants, except with the written consent of the Applicants and the Monitor, or leave of this Court.

CONTINUATION OF SERVICES

19. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that during the Stay Period, all Persons having oral or written agreements with the Applicants or statutory or regulatory mandates for the supply of goods and/or services, including without limitation all computer software, communication and other data services, centralized banking services, payroll services, insurance, transportation services, utility or other services to the Business or the Applicants, are hereby restrained until further Order of this Court from discontinuing, altering, interfering with or terminating the supply of such goods or services as may be required by the Applicants, and that the Applicants shall be entitled to the continued use of their current premises, telephone numbers, facsimile numbers, internet addresses and domain names, provided in each case that the normal prices or charges for all such goods or services received after the Initial Filing Date are paid by the Applicants in accordance with normal payment practices of the Applicants or such other practices as may be agreed upon by the supplier or service provider and each of the Applicants and the Monitor, or as may be ordered by this Court.

NO PRE-FILING VS POST-FILING SET OFF

20. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that no Person shall be entitled to set off any amounts that: (a) are or may become due to the Applicants in respect of obligations arising prior to the date of the Initial Order with any amounts that are or may become due from the Applicants in respect of obligations arising on or after the date of the Initial Order; or (b) are or may become due from the Applicants in respect of obligations arising prior to the date of the Initial Order with any amounts that are or may become due to the Applicants in respect of obligations arising on or after the date of the Initial Order, in each case without the consent of the Applicants and the Monitor, or with leave of this Court.

NON-DEROGATION OF RIGHTS

21. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, notwithstanding anything else in this Order, no Person shall be prohibited from requiring immediate payment for goods, services, use of leased or licensed property or other valuable consideration provided on or after the Initial Filing Date, nor shall any Person be under any obligation on or after the Initial Filing Date to advance or re-advance any monies or otherwise extend any credit to the Applicants. Nothing in this Order shall derogate from the rights conferred and obligations imposed by the CCAA.

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

22. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that during the Stay Period, and except as permitted by subsection 11.03(2) of the CCAA, no Proceeding may be commenced or continued against any of the former, current or future directors or officers of the Applicants with respect to any claim against the directors or officers that arose before the Initial Filing Date and that relates to any obligations of the Applicants whereby the directors or officers are alleged under any law to be liable in their capacity as directors or officers for the payment or performance of such obligations, until a Plan in respect of the Applicants, if one is filed, is sanctioned by this Court or is refused by the creditors of the Applicants or this Court.

DIRECTORS' AND OFFICERS' INDEMNIFICATION AND CHARGE

23. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall indemnify their current and future directors and officers, the CRO (as defined below) and the CFO (as defined below) against obligations and liabilities that they may incur as directors or officers of the Applicants after the commencement of the within proceedings, except to the extent that, with respect to any officer or director, the obligation or liability was incurred as a result of the director's or officer's gross negligence or wilful misconduct.

24. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the current and future directors and officers of the Applicants, the CRO and the CFO shall be entitled to the benefit of and are hereby granted a charge (the "**Directors' Charge**") on the Property, which charge shall not exceed an aggregate amount of USD \$450,000, as security for the indemnity provided in paragraph 23 of this Order. The Directors' Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 64 and 66 herein.

25. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, notwithstanding any language in any applicable insurance policy to the contrary, (a) no insurer shall be entitled to be subrogated to or claim the benefit of the Directors' Charge, and (b) the Applicants' directors and officers shall only be entitled to the benefit of the Directors' Charge to the extent that they do not have coverage under any directors' and officers' insurance policy, or to the extent that such coverage is insufficient to pay amounts indemnified in accordance with paragraph 23 of this Order.

APPOINTMENT OF MONITOR

26. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that A&M is, as of the Initial Filing Date, appointed pursuant to the CCAA as the Monitor, an officer of this Court, to monitor the business and financial affairs of the Applicants with the powers and obligations set out in the CCAA or set forth herein and that the Applicants and their shareholders, officers, directors, and Assistants shall advise the Monitor of all material steps taken by the Applicants pursuant to this Order, and shall co-operate fully with the Monitor in the exercise of its powers and discharge of its obligations and provide the Monitor with the assistance that is necessary to enable the Monitor to adequately carry out the Monitor's functions.

27. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor, in addition to its prescribed rights and obligations under the CCAA, is hereby directed and empowered to:

- (a) monitor the Applicants' receipts and disbursements;
- (b) review and approve Intercompany Advances (as defined below);
- (c) report to this Court at such times and intervals as the Monitor may deem appropriate with respect to matters relating to the Property, the Business, and such other matters as may be relevant to the proceedings herein;
- (d) advise the Applicants in the preparation of the Applicants' cash flow statements, which information shall be reviewed with the Monitor;
- (e) assist the Applicants, to the extent required by the Applicants, in their dissemination, to the DIP Lender and its counsel on a weekly basis of financial and other information as agreed to between the Applicants and the DIP Lender which may be

used in these proceedings including reporting on a basis to be agreed with the DIP Lender;

- (f) advise the Applicants in their preparation of the Applicants' cash flow statements and reporting required by the DIP Lender, which information shall be reviewed with the Monitor and delivered to the DIP Lender and its counsel on a periodic basis, but not less than weekly, or as otherwise agreed to by the DIP Lender;
- (g) advise the Applicants in its development of the Plan and any amendments to the Plan;
- (h) assist the Applicants, to the extent required by the Applicants, with the holding and administering of creditors' meetings for voting on the Plan;
- (i) assist the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, to the extent required by the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in connection with any sale and realization process conducted by the Applicants and the Financial Advisor;
- (j) receiving, holding and making payments of KERP Funds (defined below) as set out in the KERP (defined below);
- (k) have full and complete access to the Property, including the premises, books, records, data, including data in electronic form, and other financial documents of the Applicants, wherever located, to the extent that is necessary to adequately assess the Applicants' business and financial affairs or to perform its duties arising under this Order;
- (l) be at liberty to engage independent legal counsel or such other persons as the Monitor deems necessary or advisable respecting the exercise of its powers and performance of its obligations under this Order; and
- (m) perform such other duties as are required by this Order, such other orders of the Court, or as otherwise required by this Court from time to time.

28. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor shall not take possession of the Property and shall take no part whatsoever in the management or supervision of the management of the

Business and shall not, by fulfilling its obligations hereunder, be deemed to have taken or maintained possession or control of the Business or Property, or any part thereof.

29. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that nothing herein contained shall require the Monitor to occupy or to take control, care, charge, possession or management (separately and/or collectively, “**Possession**”) of any of the Property that might be environmentally contaminated, might be a pollutant or a contaminant, or might cause or contribute to a spill, discharge, release or deposit of a substance contrary to any federal, provincial or other law respecting the protection, conservation, enhancement, remediation or rehabilitation of the environment or relating to the disposal of waste or other contamination including, without limitation, the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act*, the *Ontario Environmental Protection Act*, the *Ontario Water Resources Act*, or the *Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act* and regulations thereunder (the “**Environmental Legislation**”), provided however that nothing herein shall exempt the Monitor from any duty to report or make disclosure imposed by applicable Environmental Legislation. The Monitor shall not, as a result of this Order or anything done in pursuance of the Monitor’s duties and powers under this Order, be deemed to be in Possession of any of the Property within the meaning of any Environmental Legislation, unless it is actually in possession.

30. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor shall provide any creditor of the Applicants, including the DIP Lender, with information provided by the Applicants in response to reasonable requests for information made in writing by such creditor addressed to the Monitor. The Monitor shall not have any responsibility or liability with respect to the information disseminated by it pursuant to this paragraph. In the case of information that the Monitor has been advised by the Applicants is confidential, the Monitor shall not provide such information to creditors unless otherwise directed by this Court or on such terms as the Monitor and the Applicants may agree. Nothing in this paragraph shall derogate or limit the DIP Lender’s rights to request or receive information under the DIP Facility.

31. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, in addition to the rights and protections afforded the Monitor under the CCAA or as an officer of this Court, the Monitor shall incur no liability or obligation as a result of its appointment or the carrying out of the provisions of this Order or the Initial Order, save and except for any gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part. Nothing

in this Order or the Initial Order shall derogate from the protections afforded the Monitor by the CCAA or any applicable legislation.

APPROVAL OF CRO AND CFO ENGAGEMENTS

32. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the agreement dated as of April 28, 2025 pursuant to which the Applicants have engaged BlueTree Advisors Inc. (“**BlueTree**”) to provide the services of William E. Aziz to act as Chief Restructuring Officer of the Applicants (“**CRO**”) and provide certain financial advisory and consulting services to the Applicants, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit “N” to the Kochhar Affidavit (the “**CRO Engagement Letter**”), the agreement dated as of April 28, 2025 pursuant to which the Applicants have engaged Michelle T. Faysal as interim Chief Financial Officer of the Applicants (“**CFO**”), a copy of which is attached as Exhibit “O” to the Kochhar Affidavit (the “**CFO Engagement Letter**”), the execution of the CRO Engagement Letter and the CFO Engagement Letter by the Applicants, *nunc pro tunc*, and the appointment of the CRO and the CFO pursuant to the terms thereof is hereby approved, including, without limitation, the payment of the fees and expenses contemplated thereby including, for the avoidance of doubt, the “Restructuring Fee” (as defined in the CRO Engagement Letter).

33. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the CRO and the CFO shall not be or be deemed to be a director, *de facto* director or employee of the Applicants or any of their respective subsidiaries or affiliates.

34. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that neither BlueTree, the CRO nor the CFO shall, as a result of the performance of their respective obligations and duties in accordance with the terms of the CRO Engagement Letter or CFO Engagement Letter, as applicable, be deemed to be in Possession of any of the Property that might be environmentally contaminated, might be a pollutant or a contaminant, or might cause or contribute to a spill, discharge, release or deposit of a substance contrary to the Environmental Legislation, however, if BlueTree, the CRO or the CFO are nevertheless later found to be in Possession of any Property, then BlueTree, the CRO or the CFO, as applicable, shall be entitled to the benefits and protections in relation to the Applicants and such Property as are provided to a monitor under Section 11.8(3) of the CCAA, provided however that nothing herein shall exempt the BlueTree, the CRO or the CFO from any duty to report or make disclosure imposed by applicable Environmental Legislation.

35. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that BlueTree, the CRO and the CFO shall not have any liability with respect to any losses, claims, damages or liabilities, of any nature or kind, to any Person from and after the Initial Filing Date except to the extent such losses, claims, damages or liabilities result from the gross negligence or wilful misconduct on the part of the CRO or CFO.

36. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that no Proceeding shall be commenced directly, or by way of counterclaim, third party claim or otherwise, against or in respect of BlueTree, the CRO or the CFO, and all rights and remedies of any Person against or in respect of them are hereby stayed and suspended, except with the written consent of the CRO or the CFO, as applicable, or with leave of this Court on notice to the Applicant, the Monitor, the CRO and the CFO, as applicable. Notice of any such motion seeking leave of this Court shall be served upon the Applicants, the Monitor, the CRO and the CFO, as applicable, at least seven (7) days prior to the return date of any such motion for leave.

37. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the obligations of the Applicants to BlueTree and the CRO and the CFO pursuant to the CRO Engagement Letter and the CFO Engagement Letter, as applicable, shall be treated as unaffected and may not be compromised in any Plan or in any other proceeding commenced under the CCAA, the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*, RSC 1985, c. B-3, as amended (the “**BIA**”) or the *United States Bankruptcy Code*, 11 U.S.C. §§101-1330, as amended (the “**US Bankruptcy Code**”) in respect of the Applicants.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL ADVISOR AND MAPLEBRIAR ENGAGEMENTS

38. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the agreement dated as of May 8, 2025 pursuant to which the Applicants have engaged Alvarez & Marsal Canada Securities ULC (the “**Financial Advisor**”) to assist the Applicants in evaluating and pursuing one or more potential sale transactions, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit “Q” to the Kochhar Affidavit (the “**Financial Advisor Engagement Letter**”), the agreement dated as of May 1, 2025 pursuant to which the Applicants have engaged Maplebriar Holdings Inc. (“**Maplebriar**”) to provide the services of Ajay Kochhar to assist the Applicants in pursuing one or more potential sale transactions, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit “P” to the Kochhar Affidavit (the “**Maplebriar Engagement Letter**”), and the execution of the Financial Advisor Engagement Letter and the Maplebriar Engagement Letter by the Applicants, *nunc pro tunc*, is hereby approved, including, without

limitation, the payment of the fees and expenses contemplated thereby including, for the avoidance of doubt, the “Restructuring Fees” (as defined in the Maplebriar Engagement Letter).

39. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Financial Advisor and Maplebriar shall not be or be deemed to be a director, *de facto* director or employee of the Applicants or any of their respective subsidiaries or affiliates.

40. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Financial Advisor and Maplebriar shall not have any liability with respect to any losses, claims, damages or liabilities, of any nature or kind, to any Person from and after the Initial Filing Date except to the extent such losses, claims, damages or liabilities result from the gross negligence or wilful misconduct on the part of the Financial Advisor or Maplebriar, as applicable.

41. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that no Proceeding shall be commenced directly, or by way of counterclaim, third party claim or otherwise, against or in respect of the Financial Advisor or Maplebriar, and all rights and remedies of any Person against or in respect of them are hereby stayed and suspended, except with the written consent of the Financial Advisor or Maplebriar, as applicable, or with leave of this Court on notice to the Applicants, the Monitor, the Financial Advisor and Maplebriar, as applicable. Notice of any such motion seeking leave of this Court shall be served upon the Applicants, the Monitor, the Financial Advisor and Maplebriar, as applicable, at least seven (7) days prior to the return date of any such motion for leave.

42. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the obligations of the Applicants to the Financial Advisor and Maplebriar pursuant to the Financial Advisor Engagement Letter and Maplebriar Engagement Letter, as applicable, shall be treated as unaffected and may not be compromised in any Plan or in any other proceeding commenced under the CCAA, the BIA or the US Bankruptcy Code in respect of the Applicants.

ADMINISTRATION CHARGE

43. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor, counsel to the Monitor in Canada and the United States (collectively, the “**Monitor Counsel**”), the CRO, the CFO, the Financial Advisor, Maplebriar, and counsel to the Applicants in Canada and the United States (collectively, the “**Applicants Counsel**”) shall be paid their reasonable fees and disbursements, in each case at their standard rates and charges, and in the case of the CRO in accordance with the CRO

Engagement Letter, and in the case of the CFO in accordance with the CFO Engagement Letter, and in the case of the Financial Advisor in accordance with the Financial Advisor Engagement Letter, and in the case of Maplebriar in accordance with the Maplebriar Engagement Letter, whether incurred prior to, on or after the Initial Filing Date, by the Applicants as part of the costs of these proceedings. The Applicants are hereby authorized and directed to pay the accounts of the Monitor, the Monitor Counsel, the Financial Advisor and the Applicants Counsel on a weekly basis or pursuant to such other arrangements agreed to between the Applicants and such parties and, in addition, the Applicants are hereby authorized to pay to the Monitor, the Monitor Counsel, and the Applicants Counsel, retainers, *nunc pro tunc*, to be held by them as security for payment of their respective fees and disbursements outstanding from time to time.

44. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor and its Canadian legal counsel shall pass their accounts from time to time, and for this purpose the accounts of the Monitor and its Canadian legal counsel are hereby referred to a judge of the Commercial List of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice.

45. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor, the Monitor Counsel, the CRO (solely for the "Work Fee" as defined and set out in the CRO Engagement Letter), the Financial Advisor, the CFO and the Applicants Counsel shall be entitled to the benefit of and are hereby granted a charge (the "**Administration Charge**") on the Property, which charge shall not exceed an aggregate amount of USD \$2.5 million, as security for their professional fees and disbursements incurred at their standard rates and charges, and in the case of the CRO in accordance with the CRO Engagement Letter, and in the case of the Financial Advisor in accordance with the Financial Advisor Engagement Letter, and in the case of the CFO in accordance with the CFO Engagement Letter, both before and after the making of this Order in respect of these proceedings. The Administration Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 64 and 66 hereof.

DIP FINANCING

46. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants are hereby authorized and empowered to obtain and borrow under a credit facility (the "**DIP Facility**") from Glencore Canada Corporation (the "**DIP Lender**") in order to finance the Applicants' working capital requirements and other general corporate purposes and capital expenditures, provided that

borrowings under such credit facility shall not exceed USD \$10.5 million unless permitted by further Order of this Court.

47. **THIS COURT ORDERS THAT** such credit facility shall be on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the DIP Term Sheet between the Applicants and the DIP Lender dated as of ● (the "**DIP Term Sheet**"), filed.

48. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants are hereby authorized and empowered to execute and deliver such credit agreements, mortgages, charges, hypothecs and security documents, guarantees and other definitive documents (collectively, the "**Definitive Documents**"), as are contemplated by the DIP Term Sheet or as may be reasonably required by the DIP Lender pursuant to the terms thereof, and the Applicants are hereby authorized and directed to pay and perform all of their indebtedness, interest, fees, liabilities and obligations to the DIP Lender under and pursuant to the DIP Term Sheet and the Definitive Documents as and when the same become due and are to be performed, notwithstanding any other provision of this Order.

49. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the DIP Lender shall be entitled to the benefit of and is hereby granted a charge (the "**DIP Lender's Charge**") on the Property as security for all of the Applicants' obligations owing to the DIP Lender under the DIP Term Sheet (including, without limitation, in respect of any principal, interest, fees and similar amounts thereunder), which DIP Lender's Charge shall not secure an obligation that exists before this Order is made. The DIP Lender's Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 64 and 66 hereof.

50. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, notwithstanding any other provision of this Order:

- (a) the DIP Lender may take such steps from time to time as it may deem necessary or appropriate to file, register, record or perfect the DIP Lender's Charge, the DIP Term Sheet or any of the Definitive Documents;
- (b) upon the occurrence of an event of default under the DIP Term Sheet, the Definitive Documents or the DIP Lender's Charge, the DIP Lender, upon two business days notice to the Applicants and the Monitor, may exercise any and all of its rights and remedies against the Applicants or the Property under or pursuant to the DIP Term Sheet, Definitive Documents and the DIP Lender's Charge, including, without

limitation, to: (i) terminate the commitments under the DIP Term Sheet; (ii) cease making advances to the Applicants; (iii) set off and/or consolidate any amounts owing by the DIP Lender to the Applicants against the obligations of the Applicants to the DIP Lender under the DIP Term Sheet, the Definitive Documents or the DIP Lender's Charge; (iv) accelerate, and/or make a demand for immediate payment of, any or all obligations outstanding thereunder; (v) give any other notices that the DIP Lender considers necessary or desirable; and/or (vi) apply to this Court for the appointment of a receiver, receiver and manager or interim receiver, or for a bankruptcy order against the Applicants and for the appointment of a trustee in bankruptcy of the Applicants; and

- (c) the foregoing rights and remedies of the DIP Lender shall be enforceable against any trustee in bankruptcy, interim receiver, receiver or receiver and manager of the Applicants or the Property.

51. **THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES** that the DIP Lender shall be treated as unaffected and may not be compromised in any Plan or in any other proceeding commenced under the CCAA, the BIA or the US Bankruptcy Code in respect of the Applicants, with respect to any advances made under the Definitive Documents.

52. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that if any of the provisions of this Order in connection with the Definitive Documents or the DIP Lender's Charge are subsequently stayed, modified, varied, amended, reversed or vacated in whole or in part (collectively, a "**Variation**"), such Variation shall not in any way impair, limit or lessen the priority, protections, rights or remedies of the DIP Lender, whether under this Order (as made prior to the Variation), under the DIP Term Sheet or the Definitive Documents with respect to any advances made or obligations incurred prior to the DIP Lender being given notice of the Variation, and the DIP Lender shall be entitled to rely on this Order as issued (including, without limitation, the DIP Lender's Charge) for all advances so made and other obligations set out in the DIP Term Sheet and the Definitive Documents.

53. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the formal valuation and minority approval requirements contained in sections 5.4 and 5.6 of Multilateral Instrument 61-101 – Protection of Minority Security Holders in Special Transactions need not be complied with in connection with the DIP Facility.

TRANSACTION FEE CHARGE

54. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the CRO (as security for the fees and expenses other than the “Work Fee” as defined and set out in the CRO Engagement Letter) and Maplebriar (as security for the “Restructuring Fees” as defined and set out in the Maplebriar Engagement Letter) shall be entitled to the benefit of and are hereby granted a charge (the “**Transaction Fee Charge**”) on the Property, which charge shall not exceed an aggregate amount of USD \$1 million. The Transaction Fee Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 64 and 66 hereof.

KERP APPROVAL AND KERP CHARGE

55. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the key employee retention plan (the “**KERP**”) described in the Aziz Affidavit and attached to the Aziz Affidavit is hereby approved and the Applicants are authorized to enter into the KERP *nunc pro tunc* and the Applicants are authorized to make payments in accordance with the terms thereof, including the amounts of CAD \$869,973.92 and USD \$672,075.46 to paid by the Applicants to the Monitor and held by the Monitor for the benefit of the KERP Employees (as defined in the KERP) pursuant to the KERP (the “**KERP Employee Funds**”).

56. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants are authorized to pay the amount of USD \$150,000 to the Monitor to be held as security for the “Work Fee” of Maplebriar (as set out in the Maplebriar Engagement Letter) (the “**Maplebriar Work Fee Funds**”, and collectively with the KERP Employee Funds, the “**KERP Funds**”). The Applicants are authorized to make payments of the Maplebriar Work Fee Funds in accordance with the Maplebriar Engagement Letter.

57. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that upon receipt by the Monitor of the KERP Funds, the KERP Funds shall be held by the Monitor for the benefit of the beneficiaries of the KERP, being each of the KERP Employees (as defined in the KERP) and Maplebriar (the “**KERP Beneficiaries**”). The Monitor shall be permitted to distribute the KERP Funds to the Applicants for payment to the applicable KERP Beneficiaries as and when required by the KERP, and, when in the hands of the Applicants or any payment processor, such KERP Funds shall be held for and on the behalf of the applicable KERP Beneficiaries.

58. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that payments made by the Applicants pursuant to the KERP and Maplebriar Engagement Letter do not and will not constitute preferences, fraudulent conveyances, transfers at undervalue, oppressive conduct, or other challengeable or voidable transactions under any applicable law.

59. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that Applicants are authorized to deliver such documents as may be necessary to give effect to the KERP, subject to prior approval of the Monitor, or as may be ordered by this Court.

60. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that each of the KERP Beneficiaries shall be entitled to the benefit of and are hereby granted a charge (the “**KERP Charge**”) on the KERP Funds as security for the obligations of the Applicants under the KERP and the Maplebriar Engagement Letter (other than for the “Restructuring Fees” as defined and set out in the Maplebriar Engagement Letter). The KERP Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 64 and 66 hereof.

INTERCOMPANY FINANCING

61. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that each of the Applicants (each, an “**Intercompany Lender**”) is authorized to loan to each of the other Applicants (each, an “**Intercompany Borrower**”), and each Intercompany Borrower is authorized to borrow, repay and re-borrow, such amounts from time to time as the Intercompany Borrower, with the approval of the Monitor, considers necessary or desirable on a revolving basis to fund its ongoing expenditures and to pay such other amounts as are permitted by the terms of this Order (the “**Intercompany Advances**”), on terms consistent with existing arrangements or past practice or otherwise approved by the Monitor.

62. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that each Intercompany Lender shall be entitled to the benefit of and is hereby granted a charge (the “**Intercompany Charge**”) on all of the Property of each Intercompany Borrower, as security for the Intercompany Advances made to such Intercompany Borrower, which Intercompany Charge shall not secure an obligation that exists before the Initial Filing Date. The Intercompany Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 64 and 66 hereof.

63. **THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES** that each Intercompany Lender shall be treated as unaffected and may not be compromised in any Plan or in any other proceeding commenced under the CCAA, the BIA or the US Bankruptcy Code in respect of the Applicants, with respect to any Intercompany Advances made on or after the date of this Order.

VALIDITY AND PRIORITY OF CHARGES CREATED BY THIS ORDER

64. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the priorities of the Administration Charge, the Directors' Charge, the KERP Charge, the DIP Lender's Charge, the Transaction Fee Charge and the Intercompany Charge (collectively, the "**Charges**"), as among them with respect to any Property to which they apply, shall be as follows:

First – Administration Charge (to the maximum amount of USD \$2.5 million);

Second – Directors' Charge (to the maximum amount of USD \$450,000);

Third – KERP Charge (solely as against the KERP Funds);

Fourth – DIP Lender's Charge (to the maximum amount of USD \$10.5 million);

Fifth – Transaction Fee Charge (to the maximum amount of USD \$1 million); and

Sixth – Intercompany Charge.

65. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the filing, registration or perfection of the Charges shall not be required, and that the Charges shall be valid and enforceable for all purposes, including as against any right, title or interest filed, registered, recorded or perfected subsequent to the Charges coming into existence, notwithstanding any such failure to file, register, record or perfect.

66. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that each of the Charges (all as constituted and defined herein) shall constitute a charge on the Property to which they apply and such Charges shall rank in priority to all other security interests, trusts, liens, charges, encumbrances and claims of secured creditors, statutory or otherwise (collectively, "**Encumbrances**") in favour of any Person.

67. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that except as otherwise expressly provided for herein, or as may be approved by this Court, the Applicants shall not grant any Encumbrances over any

Property to which the Charges apply that rank in priority to, or *pari passu* with, any of the applicable Charges, unless the Applicants also obtain the prior written consent of the Monitor and the beneficiaries of the applicable Charges, or further Order of this Court.

68. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Charges shall not be rendered invalid or unenforceable and the rights and remedies of the chargees entitled to the benefit of the Charges thereunder, including, for greater certainty, the DIP Lender (collectively, the “**Chargees**”) shall not otherwise be limited or impaired in any way by (a) the pendency of these proceedings and the declarations of insolvency made herein; (b) any application(s) for bankruptcy order(s) issued pursuant to the BIA, or any bankruptcy order made pursuant to such applications; (c) the filing of any assignments for the general benefit of creditors made pursuant to the BIA; (d) the provisions of any federal or provincial statutes; or (e) any negative covenants, prohibitions or other similar provisions with respect to borrowings, incurring debt or the creation of Encumbrances, contained in any existing loan documents, lease, sublease, offer to lease or other agreement (collectively, an “**Agreement**”) which binds the Applicants, and notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in any Agreement:

- (a) the creation of the Charges shall not create or be deemed to constitute a breach by the Applicants of any Agreement to which it is a party;
- (b) none of the Chargees shall have any liability to any Person whatsoever as a result of any breach of any Agreement caused by or resulting from the creation of the Charges; and
- (c) the payments made by the Applicants pursuant to this Order and the granting of the Charges do not and will not constitute preferences, fraudulent conveyances, transfers at undervalue, oppressive conduct, or other challengeable or voidable transactions under any applicable law.

69. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that any Charge created by this Order over leases of real property in Canada shall only be a Charge in the Applicants’ interest in such real property leases.

RELIEF FROM REPORTING OBLIGATIONS

70. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the decision by the Applicants to incur no further expenses for the duration of the Stay Period in relation to any filings (including financial statements), disclosures, core or non-core documents and press releases (collectively, the “**Securities Filings**”) that may be required by any federal, state, provincial or other law respecting securities or capital markets in Canada or the United States, or by the rules and regulations of an over the counter market, including, without limitation, the *Securities Act* (Ontario) and comparable statutes enacted by other provinces of Canada, the *Securities Act of 1933* (United States) and the *Securities Exchange Act of 1934* (United States) and comparable statutes enacted by individual states of the United States, and the rules of OTCQX and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority and other rules, regulations and policies of OTCQX (collectively, the “**Securities Provisions**”), is hereby authorized, provided that nothing in this paragraph shall prohibit any securities regulator or over the counter market from taking any action or exercising any discretion that it may have of a nature described in section 11.1(2) of the CCAA as a consequence of the Applicants failing to make any Securities Filings required by the Securities Provisions.

71. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that none of the directors, officers, employees, and other representatives of the Applicants, nor the CRO (and its directors, officers, employees and representatives), the CFO or the Monitor (and its directors, officers, employees and representatives), shall have any personal liability for any failure by the Applicants to make any Securities Filings required by the Securities Provisions during the Stay Period, provided that nothing in this paragraph shall prohibit any securities regulator, stock exchange or over the counter market from taking any action or exercising any discretion that it may have against the directors, officers, employees and other representatives of the Applicants of a nature described in section 11.1(2) of the CCAA as a consequence of such failure by the Applicants. For greater certainty, nothing in this order is intended to or shall encroach on the jurisdiction of any securities regulatory authorities (the “**Regulators**”) in the matter of regulating the conduct of market participants and to issue cease trade orders if and when required pursuant to applicable securities law. Further, nothing in this Order shall constitute or be construed as an admission by the Regulators that the court has jurisdiction over matters that are within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Regulators under the Securities Provisions.

SEALING

72. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that Confidential Exhibit “●” to the Aziz Affidavit shall be sealed, kept confidential and shall not form part of the public record pending further Order of the court.

SERVICE AND NOTICE

73. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor shall (i) without delay, publish in the Globe and Mail (National Edition) a notice containing the information prescribed under the CCAA, (ii) within five days after the date of this Order, (A) make this Order publicly available in the manner prescribed under the CCAA, (B) send, or cause to be sent, in the prescribed manner or by electronic message to the e-mail address as last shown on the records of the Applicants, a notice to every known creditor who has a claim against the Applicants of more than \$1,000, and (C) prepare a list showing the names and addresses of those creditors and the estimated amounts of those claims, and make it publicly available in the prescribed manner, all in accordance with Section 23(1)(a) of the CCAA and the regulations made thereunder, provided that the Monitor shall not make the claim amounts, names and addresses of any individuals who are creditors publicly available.

74. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor shall create, maintain and update as necessary a list of all Persons appearing in person or by counsel in this proceeding (the “**Service List**”). The Monitor shall post the Service List, as may be updated from time to time, on the Monitor’s website as part of the public materials to be recorded thereon in relation to this proceeding. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Monitor shall have no liability in respect of the accuracy of or the timeliness of making any changes to the Service List.

75. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the E-Service Protocol of the Commercial List (the “**Protocol**”) is approved and adopted by reference herein and, in this proceeding, the service of documents made in accordance with the Protocol (which can be found on the Commercial List website at <https://www.ontariocourts.ca/scj/practice/practice-directions/toronto/eservice-commercial/>) shall be valid and effective service. Subject to Rule 17.05 this Order shall constitute an order for substituted service pursuant to Rule 16.04 of the Rules of Civil Procedure. Subject to Rule 3.01(d) of the Rules of Civil Procedure and paragraph 21 of the Protocol, service

of documents in accordance with the Protocol will be effective on transmission. This Court further orders that a Case Website shall be established in accordance with the Protocol with the following URL: www.alvarezandmarsal.com/LiCycle.

76. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that if the service or distribution of documents in accordance with the Protocol is not practicable, the Applicants and the Monitor are at liberty to serve or distribute this Order, any other materials and orders in these proceedings, any notices or other correspondence, by forwarding true copies thereof by prepaid ordinary mail, courier, personal delivery or facsimile transmission to the Applicants' creditors or other interested parties at their respective addresses as last shown on the records of the Applicants and that any such service or distribution by courier, personal delivery or facsimile transmission shall be deemed to be received on the next business day following the date of forwarding thereof, or if sent by ordinary mail, on the third business day after mailing.

CHAPTER 15 PROCEEDINGS

77. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the CRO is hereby authorized and empowered, but not required, to act as the foreign representative (in such capacity, the "**Foreign Representative**") in respect of the within proceedings for the purpose of having these proceedings recognized and approved in any jurisdiction outside of Canada.

78. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Foreign Representative is hereby authorized to apply for recognition and approval of these proceedings, as necessary, in any jurisdiction outside of Canada, including, without limitation, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "**Foreign Bankruptcy Court**") pursuant to Chapter 15 of the US Bankruptcy Code. The Foreign Representative is authorized to apply for recognition and enforcement of this Order and any subsequent Orders of this Court in the United States including, without limitation, paragraphs 15, 17, 18, 19 and 22 with respect to any Proceeding taking place in the United States, any Business or Property of the Applicants located or being conducted within the United States, and any Person located or acting within the United States, as applicable. All courts and administrative bodies of all such jurisdictions are hereby respectively requested to make such orders and provide such assistance to the Foreign Representative, the Applicants and the Monitor as may be deemed necessary or appropriate for that purpose.

GENERAL

79. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants or the Monitor may from time to time apply to this Court to amend, vary or supplement this Order or for advice and directions in the discharge of their powers and duties hereunder or in the interpretation or application of this Order.

80. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that nothing in this Order shall prevent the Monitor from acting as an interim receiver, a receiver, a receiver and manager, or a trustee in bankruptcy of the Applicants, the Business or the Property.

81. **THIS COURT HEREBY REQUESTS** the aid and recognition of any court, tribunal, regulatory body or administrative body having jurisdiction in Canada or in the United States, including the Foreign Bankruptcy Court, to give effect to this Order and to assist the Applicants, the Foreign Representative, the Monitor, the DIP Lender and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order. All courts, tribunals, regulatory and administrative bodies are hereby respectfully requested to make such orders and to provide such assistance to the Foreign Representative, the Applicants, the DIP Lender and to the Monitor, as an officer of this Court, as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order, to grant representative status to the CRO in any foreign proceeding, or to assist the Foreign Representative, the Applicants and the Monitor and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order.

82. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that each of the Foreign Representative, the Applicants, the DIP Lender and the Monitor be at liberty and is hereby authorized and empowered to apply to any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body, wherever located, for the recognition of this Order and for assistance in carrying out the terms of this Order.

83. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that this Order and all of its provisions are effective as of 12:01 a.m. Eastern Standard/Daylight Time on the date of this Order, and is enforceable without any need for entry and filing.

IN THE MATTER OF THE *COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED PLAN OF COMPROMISE OR ARRANGEMENT WITH RESPECT TO LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP. ET AL.

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EXHIBIT B

Sale and Investment Solicitation Procedures

Schedule “A” to the SISP Order is incorporated by reference.

EXHIBIT C

SISP Order

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THE HONOURABLE)	THURSDAY, THE 22ND
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JUSTICE)	DAY OF MAY, 2025

IN THE MATTER OF THE *COMPANIES' CREDITORS*
ARRANGEMENT ACT, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED

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LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP., LI-CYCLE CORP., LI-CYCLE AMERICAS CORP.,
LI-CYCLE U.S. INC., LI-CYCLE INC., LI-CYCLE NORTH AMERICAN HUB, INC.

Applicants

SALE AND REALIZATION PROCESS ORDER

THIS MOTION, made by the Applicants pursuant to the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended, for an order, among other things: (a) approving the Stalking Horse Agreement (as defined below) which will act as the stalking horse bid in the SISP (as defined below) (the "**Stalking Horse Bid**"), (b) approving the SISP (as defined below), [(c) **approving the engagement letter between Li-Cycle Holdings Corp. and [Tiger Asset Solutions] (the "Liquidation Consultant") dated ●, 2025 (the "Liquidation Consultant Engagement Letter")**], [(d) **authorizing the Applicants and the Liquidation Consultant to liquidate the Liquidation Property (as defined below)**], and (e) granting certain related relief, was heard this day at 330 University Avenue, Toronto, Ontario and via videoconference.

ON READING the Notice of Motion of the Applicants, the affidavit of William E. Aziz sworn May ●, 2025 and the exhibits thereto (the "**Aziz Affidavit**"), the First Report of Alvarez & Marsal Canada Inc., in its capacity, as monitor of the Applicants (the "**Monitor**") dated May ● (the "**First Report**"), and on being advise that the secured creditors who are likely to be affected

by the charge created herein were given notice, and on hearing the submissions of counsel for the Applicants, the Monitor and those other parties that were present as listed on the counsel slip, no other party appearing although duly served as appears from the Affidavit of Service of ● sworn ●, 2025.

SERVICE AND DEFINITIONS

1. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the time for service of the Notice of Motion, the Motion Record and the First Report is hereby abridged and validated so that this Motion is properly returnable today and hereby dispenses with further service thereof.

2. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that any capitalized term used and not defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the Aziz Affidavit and the Amended and Restated Initial Order dated May 22, 2025 (as it may be amended from time to time, the “**Initial Order**”), as applicable.

STALKING HORSE AGREEMENT

3. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the execution, delivery, entry into, compliance with, and performance by the Applicants of the Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement dated ● (the “**Stalking Horse Agreement**”) between Li-Cycle Holdings Corp. et al., as Seller, and Glencore Canada Corporation as Buyer (the “**Stalking Horse Bidder**”), substantially in the form attached as Exhibit “●” to the Aziz Affidavit is hereby ratified, authorized and approved, *nunc pro tunc*, with such minor amendments as the Applicants, with the consent of the Monitor, and the Stalking Horse Bidder may agree to in writing, and the bid made by the Stalking Horse Bidder pursuant to the Stalking Horse Agreement is hereby approved to act as the stalking horse bid under, and in accordance with, the SISP (as defined below) provided that nothing herein approves the sale of any Property to the Stalking Horse Bidder. The approval of any sale of any Property to the Stalking Horse Bidder shall be considered by this Court on a subsequent motion if the Stalking Horse Agreement is the Successful Bid pursuant to the SISP.

4. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that payment of the Expense Reimbursement and Break Fee (together, the “**Bid Protections**”) pursuant to section 7.2 of the Stalking Horse Agreement from proceeds received from the Applicants in connection with an Alternative Transaction in the event

that an Alternative Transaction (as defined in the Stalking Horse Agreement) is selected as the Successful Bid in accordance with the SISP is hereby approved.

5. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Stalking Horse Bidder shall be entitled to the benefit of and is hereby granted a charge (the “**Bid Protections Charge**”) on the Property, which charge shall not exceed US\$●, as security for payment of the Bid Protections in the manner and circumstances described in the Stalking Horse Agreement.

6. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the filing, registration or perfection of the Bid Protections Charge shall not be required, and that the Bid Protections Charge shall be valid and enforceable for all purposes, including against any right, title or interest filed, registered, recorded or perfected subsequent to the Bid Protections Charge, notwithstanding any such failure to file, register, record or perfect.

7. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Bid Protections Charge shall constitute a charge on the Property and the Bid Protections Charge shall rank in priority to all other Encumbrances in favour of any Person notwithstanding the order of perfection or attachment, other than: (i) any Person with a properly perfected purchase money security interest under the Personal Property Security Act (Ontario) or such other applicable legislation; and (ii) the Charges.

8. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that except for the Charges, the Applicants shall not grant any Encumbrances over any Property that rank in priority to, or *pari passu* with, the Bid Protections Charge.

9. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Bid Protections Charge shall not be rendered invalid or unenforceable and the rights and remedies of the Stalking Horse Bidder shall not otherwise be limited or impaired in any way by: (i) the pendency of these proceedings and the declarations of insolvency made herein; (ii) any application(s) for bankruptcy order(s) or receivership order(s) issued pursuant to the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* (Canada) (the “**BIA**”) or otherwise, or any bankruptcy order or receivership order made pursuant to such applications; (iii) the filing of any assignments for the general benefit of creditors made pursuant to the BIA; (iv) the provisions of any federal or provincial statutes; or (v) any negative covenants, prohibitions or other similar provisions with respect to borrowings, incurring debt or the creation of Encumbrances, contained

in any existing loan documents, lease, sublease, offer to lease or other agreement (collectively, an “**Agreement**”) which binds the Applicant, and notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in any Agreement:

- (a) neither the creation of the Bid Protections Charge nor the execution, delivery, perfection, registration or performance of the Stalking Horse Agreement shall create, cause or be deemed to constitute a breach by the Applicant of any Agreement to which it is a party;
- (b) the Stalking Horse Bidder shall not have any liability to any person whatsoever as a result of any breach of any Agreement caused by or resulting from the creation of the Bid Protections Charge or the execution, delivery or performance of the Stalking Horse Agreement; and
- (c) the payments made by the Applicant pursuant to this Order, the Stalking Horse Agreement and the granting of the Bid Protections Charge, do not and will not constitute preferences, fraudulent conveyances, transfers at undervalue, oppressive conduct, or other challengeable or voidable transactions under any applicable law.

10. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Bid Protections Charge created by this Order over leases of real property in Canada shall only be a charge in the Applicants’ interest in such real property lease.

11. **THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES** that the Stalking Horse Bidder, with respect to the Bid Protections Charge only, shall be treated as unaffected in any plan of arrangement or compromise filed by the Applicants under the CCAA, or any proposal filed by the Applicants under the BIA.

APPROVAL OF STALKING HORSE SALE PROCESS

12. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the stalking horse sale process guidelines attached as Schedule “A” hereto (the “**SISP**”) (subject to such amendments as may be agreed to by the Monitor and the Applicants, in consultation with Alvarez & Marsal Canada Securities ULC (the “**Financial Advisor**”) and the Stalking Horse Bidder, in accordance with the SISP) be and is hereby approved

and the Applicants, the CRO, the Financial Advisor and the Monitor are hereby authorized and directed to implement the SISP pursuant to its terms and the terms of this Order. The Applicants, the CRO, the Financial Advisor, the Monitor are hereby authorized and directed to take any and all actions as may be necessary or desirable to implement and carry out the SISP in accordance with its terms and this Order.

13. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that each of the Applicants, the CRO, the Financial Advisor, the Monitor and their respective affiliates, partners, directors, employees, agents and controlling persons shall have no liability with respect to any and all losses, claims, damages or liabilities, of any nature or kind, to any person in connection with or as a result of the SISP, except to the extent of such losses, claims, damages or liabilities arising or resulting from the gross negligence or wilful misconduct of the Applicants, the CRO, the Financial Advisor, or the Monitor, as applicable, in performing their obligations under the SISP, as determined by this Court.

14. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, pursuant to section 3(c) of the *Electronic Commerce Protection Regulations*, Reg. 81000-2-175 (SOR/DORS), the Applicants, the Financial Advisor and the Monitor are authorized and permitted to send, or cause or permit to be sent, commercial electronic messages to an electronic address of prospective bidders or offerors and to their advisors, but only to the extent required to provide information with respect to the SISP in these proceedings.

15. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that notwithstanding anything contained in this Order or in the SISP, neither the CRO, the Financial Advisor nor the Monitor shall take Possession of the Property or be deemed to take Possession of the Property, including pursuant to any provision of the Environmental Legislation.

16. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that in supervising the SISP, the Monitor shall have all the benefits and protections granted to it under the CCAA, the Initial Order and any other Order of this Court in these proceedings.

[ENGAGEMENT OF LIQUIDATION CONSULTANT

17. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Liquidation Consultant Engagement Letter, the execution of the Liquidation Consultant Engagement Letter by the Applicants, *nunc pro tunc*, and the appointment of the Liquidation Consultant pursuant to the terms thereof is hereby approved, including, without limitation, the payment of the fees and expenses contemplated thereby.

18. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the obligations of the Applicants to the Liquidation Consultant pursuant to the Liquidation Consultant Engagement Letter shall be treated as unaffected and may not be compromised in any Plan or in any other proceeding commenced under the CCAA, the BIA or the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in respect of the Applicants.]

REALIZATION PROCESS

19. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants, with the assistance of the Liquidation Consultant, are authorized to market and sell, or otherwise dispose of, any Property that is (i) an Excluded Asset (as defined in the Stalking Horse Agreement), and (ii) is not the subject of a Qualified LOI in Phase 1 of the SISP, or the Applicants and the Monitor, in consultation with, the Liquidation Consultant and the Financial Advisor, determine such asset should be liquidated outside of the SISP (collectively, the “**Liquidation Property**”), on a “final sale” and/or “as is” basis (the “**Realization Process**”) in accordance with this Order and the Liquidation Consultant Engagement Letter.

20. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, subject to and in accordance with the Liquidation Consultant Agreement and this Order, the Liquidation Consultant is authorized to advertise and promote the Realization Process, without further consent of any Person other than the Applicants and the Monitor as provided under the Liquidation Consultant Engagement Letter.

USE OF LEASED PROPERTIES AND LICENSES

21. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, subject to the terms of this Order and the Initial Order, the CRO, the Financial Advisor and the Liquidation Consultant shall have the right to enter and use

all of the leased properties of the Applicants (the “**Leased Properties**”) and all related services and all facilities and all furniture, trade fixtures and equipment in accordance with the applicable contractual agreements between the applicable Applicant or Applicants and the third party operator of the applicable Leased Properties, on the basis that the CRO, the Financial Advisor and the Liquidation Consultant are assisting the Applicants, and the Applicants have granted their right of access to the Leased Properties to the CRO, the Financial Advisor and the Liquidation Consultant, for the purpose of conducting the SISP and the Realization Process in accordance with the terms of the Financial Advisor Engagement Letter, the Liquidation Consultant Engagement Letter and this Order, as applicable, and for such purposes, the CRO, the Financial Advisor and the Liquidation Consultant shall be entitled to the benefit of the stay of proceedings granted in favour of the Applicants under the Initial Order, as such stay of proceedings may be extended by further Order of the Court. To the extent that the terms of the leases for the Leased Properties are in conflict with any term of this Order, the terms of this Order shall govern.

22. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, for the purpose of conducting the SISP and the Realization Process in accordance with the terms of the Financial Advisor Engagement Letter, the Liquidation Consultant Engagement Letter and this Order, as applicable, the CRO, the Financial Advisor and the Liquidation Consultant shall have the right to use, without interference by any Person (including any licensor), all licenses and rights granted to the Applicants to use trade names, trademarks, logos, copyrights or other intellectual property of any Person, solely for the purpose of advertising and conducting the SISP and the Realization Process in accordance with the terms of the Financial Advisor Engagement Letter, the Liquidation Consultant Engagement Letter and this Order, as applicable. Any Person with access to such information, shall cooperate and provide access to such information to the CRO, the Financial Advisor and the Liquidation Consultant to facilitate the SISP and the Realization Process.

FINANCIAL ADVISOR AND LIQUIDATION CONSULTANT LIABILITY

23. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Financial Advisor and the Liquidation Consultant shall each act solely as an independent consultant to the Applicants and that each of them shall not be liable for any claims against the Applicants other than as expressly provided in the Financial Advisor Engagement Letter, Liquidation Consultant Engagement Letter [(including the

Liquidation Consultant's indemnity obligations thereunder)] or SISP, as applicable, and, for greater certainty:

- (a) the Financial Advisor and the Liquidation Consultant shall not be deemed to be an owner or in possession, care, control or management of the Leased Properties, of the assets located therein or associated therewith or of the Applicants' employees located at the Leased Properties, or of any other property of the Applicants;
- (b) the Financial Advisor and the Liquidation Consultant shall not be deemed to be an employer, or a joint or successor employer, related or common employer or payor within the meaning of any legislation, statute or regulation or rule of law or equity governing employment, labour standards, pension benefits or health and safety for any purpose whatsoever in relation to the Applicants' employees, and shall not incur any successorship liabilities whatsoever (including without limitation, losses, costs, damages, fines or awards); and
- (c) the Financial Advisor and the Liquidation Consultant shall bear no responsibility for any liability whatsoever (including without limitation, losses, costs, damages, fines or awards) relating to Claims of the Applicants' employees and any other Persons arising from events occurring at the Leased Properties during and after the term of the SISP or the Realization Process, or otherwise in connection with the SISP or the Realization Process, except to the extent that such Claims are the result of events or circumstances caused or contributed to by the gross negligence or wilful misconduct of the Financial Advisor or the Liquidation Consultant, their respective employees, independent contractors, agents or other representatives, or otherwise in accordance with the Financial Advisor Engagement Letter or Liquidation Consultant Engagement Letter, as applicable.

PIPEDA

24. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants are authorized and permitted to transfer to the Financial Advisor and Liquidation Consultant personal information of identifiable individuals ("**Personal Information**") in the Applicants' custody and control solely for the purposes of assisting with and conducting the Realization Process and the SISP, as applicable, and only to the extent necessary for such purposes and the Financial Advisor and the Consultant are each hereby

authorized to make use of such Personal Information solely for the purposes as if it were an Applicant, subject to and in accordance with the Financial Advisor Engagement Letter or Liquidation Consultant Engagement Letter, as applicable.

25. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, pursuant to clause 7(3)(c) of the *Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act*, S.C. 2000, c. 5 (Canada) and any similar legislation in any other applicable jurisdictions, the Applicants, the CRO, the Financial Advisor, the Liquidation Consultant and the Monitor and each of their respective advisors are hereby authorized and permitted to disclose and transfer to prospective SISP and Realization Process participants (each, a “**Potential Bidder**”) and their advisors Personal Information, records pertaining to the Applicants’ past and current employees, and information on specific customers, but only to the extent desirable or required to negotiate or attempt to complete a transaction under the SISP (each a “**Transaction**”). Each Potential Bidder to whom any Personal Information is disclosed shall maintain and protect the privacy of such Personal Information and limit the use of such Personal Information to its evaluation of a Transaction, and if it does not complete a Transaction, shall return all such information to the Applicants or the Monitor, or in the alternative destroy all such information and provide confirmation of its destruction if required by the Applicants, the Financial Advisor, the Liquidation Consultant or the Monitor. Any successful bidder(s) shall maintain and protect the privacy of such information and, upon closing of the Transaction, shall be entitled to use the personal information provided to it that is related to the Business and/or the Property acquired pursuant to the SISP or the Realization Process in a manner that is in all material respects identical to the prior use of such information by the Applicants, and shall return all other personal information to the Applicants, the Financial Advisor, the Liquidation Consultant or the Monitor, or ensure that all other personal information is destroyed and provide confirmation of its destruction if requested by the Monitor, the Financial Advisor, the Liquidation Consultant or the Applicants.

GENERAL

26. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, subject to the terms of the Stalking Horse Agreement, the Applicant or the Monitor, in either case with the Stalking Horse Bidder's consent, may from time to time apply to this Court to amend, vary or supplement this Order.

27. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants or the Monitor may from time to time apply to this Court for advice and directions in the discharge of their respective powers and duties hereunder and under the SISP.

28. **THIS COURT HEREBY REQUESTS** the aid and recognition of any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body having jurisdiction in Canada or in the United States, to give effect to this Order and to assist the Applicants, the Monitor and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order. All courts, tribunals, regulatory and administrative bodies are hereby respectfully requested to make such orders and to provide such assistance to the Applicants and to the Monitor, as an officer of this Court, as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order, to grant representative status to the CRO in any foreign proceeding, or to assist the Applicants and the Monitor and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order.

29. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that each of the Applicants, the Stalking Horse Bidder and the Monitor be at liberty and are hereby authorized and empowered to apply to any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body, wherever located, for the recognition of this Order and for assistance in carrying out the terms of this Order, and that the CRO is authorized and empowered to act as a representative in respect of the within proceedings in any jurisdiction outside Canada, including, without limitation to apply for recognition and enforcement of this Order in the United States.

30. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that this Order and all of its provisions are effective as of 12:01 a.m. Eastern/Daylight Time on the date of this Order without the need for entry and/or filing.

Schedule “A”

Stalking Horse Sale Process

Introduction

On May 14, 2025, Li-Cycle Holdings Corp., Li-Cycle Corp., Li-Cycle Americas Corp., Li-Cycle U.S. Inc., Li-Cycle Inc. and Li-Cycle North America Hub, Inc. (collectively, the “**Applicants**”) commenced proceedings (the “**CCAA Proceedings**”) under the *Companies’ Creditors Arrangement Act* (the “**CCAA**”) pursuant to an initial order (as amended or amended and restated from time to time, the “**Initial Order**”) from the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, Commercial List (Toronto) (the “**Court**”). Pursuant to the Initial Order, the Court appointed Alvarez & Marsal Canada Inc. as monitor of the Applicants (in such capacity, the “**Monitor**”).

The Applicants (other than Li-Cycle Americas Corp.) and Glencore Canada Corporation (the “**Stalking Horse Bidder**”) have entered into an equity and asset purchase agreement dated ●, 2025 (the “**Stalking Horse Agreement**” or when referring to the bid, the “**Stalking Horse Bid**”), pursuant to which the Stalking Horse Bidder would acquire substantially all of the assets and business operations of the Applicants other than Li-Cycle Americas Corp., and act as a stalking horse bidder in a court-supervised sale and investment solicitation process (the “**SISP**”) within the CCAA Proceedings.

Pursuant to an Order dated May 22, 2025 (the “**SISP Approval Order**”), the Court approved the SISP and the Stalking Horse Agreement as the Stalking Horse Bid in the SISP. The purpose of this SISP is to seek Sale Proposals and Investment Proposals from Qualified Bidders and to implement one or a combination of them in respect of the Property (as defined herein), including the shares of Li-Cycle Europe AG and Li-Cycle APAC Pte. Ltd., and the Business (as defined herein) of the Applicants.

The Applicants have commenced proceedings pursuant to Chapter 15 of the *United States Bankruptcy Code*, 11 U.S.C. §§101-1330, as amended (the “**U.S. Bankruptcy Code**”) for recognition of the CCAA Proceedings as “foreign main proceedings” and intend to seek recognition and approval of the SISP Approval Order and any Successful Bids (as defined herein) pursuant to section 363 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code from the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the “**U.S. Court**”).

The SISP describes, among other things: (a) the Property (as defined herein) available for sale; (b) the manner in which prospective bidders may gain access to or continue to have access to due diligence materials concerning the Property and the Business (as defined herein); (c) the manner in which bidders become Phase 1 Qualified Bidders, Phase 2 Qualified Bidders and Successful Bidders (each as defined herein), and bids become Qualified Bids, Back-Up Bids and/or Successful Bids (each as defined herein); (d) the process for the evaluation of bids received; (e) the process for the ultimate selection of a Successful Bid; and (f) the process for obtaining such approvals (including the approval of the Court) as may be necessary or appropriate in respect of a Successful Bid.

Defined Terms

1. Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein have the meanings given to them in **Appendix “A”**.

2. All references to “\$” or dollars herein are to United States dollars unless otherwise indicated.

Supervision of the SISP

3. The Monitor will supervise, in all respects, the SISP and any attendant sales or investments. The Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants, the Stalking Horse Bidder and the Financial Advisor, shall have the right to adopt such other rules for the SISP that in its reasonable business judgment will better promote the goals of the SISP. In the event that there is disagreement or clarification required as to the interpretation or application of this SISP or the responsibilities of the Monitor, the Financial Advisor or the Applicants hereunder, the Court will have jurisdiction to hear such matters and provide advice and directions, upon application by the Monitor or the Applicants. For the avoidance of doubt, with respect to the Monitor’s role in regards to the SISP, the terms of the Initial Order concerning the Monitor’s rights, duties and protections in the Applicants’ CCAA proceedings shall govern.

Opportunity

4. The SISP is intended to solicit interest in and opportunities for a sale of or investment in all or part of the Property and business operations of the Applicants (the “**Opportunity**”). One or more bids for a sale of, or an investment in, all or a portion of the Business or the Property relating to the Applicants’ Business will be considered, either alone or in combination as a Final Qualified Bid or a Successful Bid.
5. A bid may, at the option of the Qualified Bidder, involve, among other things, one or more of the following: a restructuring, recapitalization or other form of reorganization of the business and affairs of the Applicants as a going concern; or a sale of the Property or any part thereof as contemplated herein to the Qualified Bidder.

As-is Basis

6. Except to the extent otherwise set forth in a definitive sale or investment agreement with a successful bidder, any sale of the Property or investment in the Business will be on an “as is, where is” basis and without surviving representations or warranties of any kind, nature, or description by the Applicants, the Financial Advisor, the Monitor or any of their respective agents, advisors or estates, and, in the event of a sale, all of the right, title and interest of the Applicants in and to the Property to be acquired will be sold free and clear of all pledges, liens, security interests, encumbrances, claims, charges, options, and interests there against (collectively, the “**Claims and Interests**”) pursuant to such Court orders as may be desirable, except to the extent otherwise set forth in the definitive sale or investment agreement executed with a Successful Bidder.

Timeline

7. The following table sets out the key milestones under the SISP:

Milestone	Deadline
Teaser Letter and NDA sent to Known Potential Bidders	By May 12, 2025
Phase 1 Bid Deadline	June 6, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time)
Phase 2 Bid Deadline	June 27, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time)
Selection of Successful Bid(s) and Back-Up Bidder(s) or designation of Auction	June 30, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time)
Auction Date (if designated)	July 2, 2025
Approval of Successful Bid(s)	July 7, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time)
Closing – Successful Bid(s)	July 16, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time)
Outside Date – Closing	July 18, 2025

Subject to any order of the Court, the dates set out in the SISF may be extended by the Applicants in consultation with the Financial Advisor, with the consent and approval of the Monitor and the Stalking Horse Bidder.

Any extensions or amendments to the deadlines above will be communicated to all Known Potential Bidders or Phase 2 Potential Bidders, as applicable, in writing and such extensions or amendments shall be posted on the website the Monitor maintains in respect of this CCAA proceeding at www.alvarezandmarsal.com/LiCycle (the “**Monitor’s Website**”).

Solicitation of Interest and Publication Notice

8. As soon as reasonably practicable, but in any event commencing no later than May 12, 2025:
 - (a) the Applicants and the Financial Advisor will prepare a list of potential bidders, including (i) parties that have approached the Applicants, the Financial Advisor or the Monitor indicating an interest in bidding for the sale of or investment in the Business and/or Property, including as part of any prior solicitation efforts, (ii) local and international strategic and financial parties who the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, believe may be interested in purchasing all or part of the Business and Property or investing in the Applicants pursuant to the SISF (including, without limitation, any parties with whom the Applicants or their consultants were in contact prior to the Initial Order) and (iii) any other parties reasonably suggested by a stakeholder as a potential bidder who may be interested in the sale or investment opportunity (collectively, “**Known Potential Bidders**”);

- (b) the Applicants will cause a notice of the SISP (and such other relevant information which the Applicants, in consultation with the Financial Advisor and Monitor, considers appropriate) (the “**Notice**”) to be published in *The Globe and Mail* (National Edition) and any other newspapers, journals, or industry publications as the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, consider appropriate, if any;
 - (c) the Applicants will issue a press release setting out the information contained in the Notice and such other relevant information which the Applicants and the Financial Advisor considers appropriate for dissemination in Canada and major financial centres in the United States; and
 - (d) the Financial Advisor and the Applicants, in consultation with the Monitor, will distribute: (i) a process summary (the “**Teaser Letter**”) describing the opportunity set out herein and inviting recipients of the Teaser Letter to express their interest pursuant to the SISP; and (ii) an NDA.
9. The Financial Advisor will send the Teaser Letter and NDA to all Known Potential Bidders commencing May 12, 2025 and to any other party who requests a copy of the Teaser Letter and NDA or who is identified to the Financial Advisor, the Applicants or the Monitor as a potential bidder as soon as reasonably practicable after such request or identification, as applicable.
10. Notwithstanding anything else contained herein, any Related Person that wishes to submit or participate in a Sale Proposal or Investment Proposal must declare such intention to the Financial Advisor and the Monitor in writing by June 6, 2025. Until such time that the Related Person declares no such intention, the Financial Advisor and the Monitor shall design and implement additional procedures for the SISP to limit the sharing of information with the Related Person so as to ensure and preserve the fairness of the SISP.

PHASE 1: NON-BINDING LOIs

Qualified Bidders and Delivery of Confidential Information Package

11. Any party who wishes to participate in the SISP (a “**Potential Bidder**”) must provide to the Financial Advisor an NDA executed by it and a letter setting forth the identity of the Potential Bidder, the contact information for such Potential Bidder and full disclosure of the direct and indirect principals of the Potential Bidder. If a Potential Bidder has previously delivered an NDA and letter of this nature to the Applicants and the NDA remains in effect, the Potential Bidder is not required to deliver a new NDA or letter to the Financial Advisor unless otherwise requested by the Applicants.
12. A Potential Bidder (who has delivered the executed NDA and letter as set out above) will be deemed a “**Phase 1 Qualified Bidder**” if the Applicants and the Financial Advisor in their reasonable business judgment and in consultation with the Monitor determine such person is likely, based on the availability of financing, experience and other considerations, to be able to consummate a sale or investment pursuant to the SISP.
13. At any time during Phase 1 of the SISP, the Applicants and the Financial Advisor may, in their reasonable business judgment and after consultation with and the consent of the

Monitor, eliminate a Phase 1 Qualified Bidder from the SISP, in which case such bidder will be eliminated from the SISP and will no longer be a “Phase 1 Qualified Bidder” for the purposes of the SISP.

14. The Financial Advisor, with the assistance of the Applicants and in consultation with the Monitor, will (i) prepare and send to each Phase 1 Qualified Bidder a confidential information package providing additional information considered relevant to the Opportunity (the “**Confidential Information Package**”) and (ii) provide access to an electronic data room of due diligence information (the “**Data Room**”). The Financial Advisor, the Applicants, the Monitor and their respective advisors make no representation or warranty as to the information contained in the Confidential Information Package, the Data Room or otherwise made available pursuant to the SISP or otherwise, except to the extent expressly contemplated in any definitive sale or investment agreement with a successful bidder ultimately executed and delivered by the applicable Applicant.
15. The Applicants, in consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor, reserve the right to limit any Phase 1 Qualified Bidder’s access to any confidential information (including any information in the Confidential Information Package or a data room) and to customers and suppliers of the Applicants, where, in the Applicants’ opinion after consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor, such access could negatively impact the SISP, the ability to maintain the confidentiality of the confidential information, the Business or the Property.
16. Potential Bidders must rely solely on their own independent review, investigation and/or inspection of all information and of the Property and Business in connection with their participation in the SISP and any transaction they enter into with the Applicants.

Non-Binding Letters of Intent from Qualified Bidders

17. A Phase 1 Qualified Bidder that wishes to pursue the Opportunity further must deliver a non-binding letter of interest (an “**LOI**”) to the Financial Advisor at the addresses specified in Schedule “1” hereto (including by email transmission), so as to be received by them not later than 5:00 PM (Eastern Time) on or before June 6, 2025 (the “**Phase 1 Bid Deadline**”).
18. Subject to paragraph 17, an LOI so submitted will be considered a qualified LOI (a “**Qualified LOI**”) only if:
 - (a) it is received by the Financial Advisor on or before the Phase 1 Bid Deadline from a Phase 1 Qualified Bidder;
 - (b) it: (i) identifies the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder and representatives thereof who are authorized to appear and act on behalf of the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder for all purposes regarding the transaction; and (ii) fully discloses the identity of each entity or person that will be sponsoring, participating in or benefitting from the transaction contemplated by the LOI;
 - (c) the LOI expressly states that the LOI does not entitle the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder to any break-up fee, termination fee, expense reimbursement, or similar type of payment or reimbursement;

- (d) it contains an indication of whether the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder is proposing:
 - (i) to acquire all, substantially all or a portion of the Property (a “**Sale Proposal**”), or
 - (ii) a recapitalization, arrangement or other form of investment in or reorganization of the Business (an “**Investment Proposal**”);
- (e) in the case of a Sale Proposal, it identifies or contains the following:
 - (i) the purchase price or price range in United States dollars and a description of any non-cash consideration, including details of any liabilities to be assumed by the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder and key assumptions supporting the valuation;
 - (ii) a description of the Property that is expected to be subject to the transaction and any of the Property expected to be excluded;
 - (iii) a description of the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder’s proposed treatment of material agreements and employees (for example, anticipated employment offers);
 - (iv) a specific indication of the financial capability of the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder and the expected structure and financing of the transaction (including, but not limited to, the sources of financing to fund the acquisition, preliminary evidence of the availability of such financing or such other form of financial disclosure and credit-quality support or enhancement that will allow the Applicants, the Financial Advisor and the Monitor and each of their respective advisors to make a reasonable business or professional judgment as to the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder’s financial or other capabilities to consummate the transaction and to perform all obligations to be assumed in such transaction; and the steps necessary and associated timing to obtain financing and any related contingencies, as applicable);
 - (v) a description of the conditions and approvals required for the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder to be in a position to submit a final and binding offer, including any anticipated corporate, securityholder or other internal approvals and any anticipated impediments for obtaining such approvals;
 - (vi) an outline of any additional due diligence required to be conducted in order to submit a Bid;
 - (vii) a description of all conditions to closing that the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder expects to include in its Bid, including without limitation any regulatory approvals and any form of agreement required from a government body, stakeholder or other third party (“**Third Party Agreement**”) and an outline of the principal terms thereof; and
 - (viii) any other terms or conditions of the Sale Proposal that the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder believes are material to the transaction;

- (f) in the case of an Investment Proposal, it identifies the following:
- (i) a description of how the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder proposes to structure the proposed investment, restructuring, recapitalization, refinancing or reorganization, and a description of any non-cash consideration;
 - (ii) the aggregate amount of the equity and/or debt investment to be made in the Business in United States dollars, including the cash and non-cash component thereof and any contemplated adjustment to the investment;
 - (iii) key assumptions supporting the Phase 1 Qualified Bidders' valuation;
 - (iv) a description of the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder's proposed treatment of any liabilities, material contracts and employees;
 - (v) the underlying assumptions regarding the pro forma capital structure (including the form and amount of anticipated equity and/or debt levels, debt service fees, interest or dividend rates, amortization, voting rights or other protective provisions (as applicable), redemption, prepayment or repayment attributes and any other material attributes of the investment);
 - (vi) a specific indication of the sources of capital for the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder and the structure and financing of the transaction (including, but not limited to, the sources of capital to fund the investment, preliminary evidence of the availability of such capital or such other form of financial disclosure and credit-quality support or enhancement that will allow the Applicants, the Financial Advisor and the Monitor and each of their respective advisors to make a reasonable business or professional judgment as to the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder's financial or other capabilities to consummate the transaction, steps necessary and associated timing to obtain such capital and any related contingencies, as applicable, and a sources and uses analysis);
 - (vii) a description of the conditions and approvals required for the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder to be in a position to submit a final and binding offer, including any anticipated corporate, securityholder or other internal approvals and any anticipated impediments for obtaining such approvals;
 - (viii) an outline of any additional due diligence required to be conducted in order to submit a final and binding offer;
 - (ix) a description of all conditions to closing that the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder expects to include in its final and binding offer, including without limitation any regulatory approvals and any Third Party Agreement required and an outline of the principal terms thereof; and
 - (x) any other terms or conditions of the Investment Proposal which the Phase 1 Qualified Bidder believes are material to the transaction; and

- (g) in the case of either a Sale Proposal or an Investment Proposal, it contains such other information as reasonably requested by the Applicants and/or the Financial Advisor in consultation with the Monitor.
19. The Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, may waive compliance with any one or more of the requirements specified above and deem such non-compliant bids to be a Qualified LOI. For the avoidance of doubt, the completion of any Sale Proposal or Investment Proposal shall be subject to the approval of the Court and the requirement of approval of the Court may not be waived.
20. Following the Phase 1 Bid Deadline, the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, will assess the Qualified LOIs. If it is determined by the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, that a Phase 1 Qualified Bidder that has submitted a Qualified LOI: (i) has a *bona fide* interest in completing a Sale Proposal or Investment Proposal (as the case may be); and (ii) has provided satisfactory evidence of its financial capability (based on availability of financing, experience and other considerations) to consummate such a transaction based on the financial information provided, then such Phase 1 Qualified Bidder will be deemed a “**Phase 2 Qualified Bidder**”, provided that the Applicants and the Financial Advisor may, in their reasonable business judgment and after consultation with and with the approval of the Monitor, limit the number of Phase 2 Qualified Bidders (and thereby eliminate some bidders from the process) taking into account any material adverse impact on the operations and performance of the Applicants. Only Phase 2 Qualified Bidders shall be permitted to proceed to Phase 2 of the SISP. No Phase 1 Qualified Bidder that has submitted a Qualified LOI shall be deemed not to be a Phase 2 Qualified Bidder unless the Monitor so approves. The Stalking Horse Bidder shall automatically be considered as a Phase 2 Qualified Bidder.
21. In the event that no Phase 2 Qualified Bidder is selected (other than the Stalking Horse Bidder), the Stalking Horse Bid shall be deemed to be the Successful Bid and, for greater certainty, the SISP shall not proceed to an Auction.

PHASE 2: FORMAL OFFERS AND SELECTION OF SUCCESSFUL BIDDER

Due Diligence

22. The Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, shall in their reasonable business judgment and subject to competitive and other business considerations, afford each Phase 2 Qualified Bidder such access to due diligence materials and information relating to the Property and Business as they deem appropriate. Due diligence access may include management presentations, access to an electronic data room, on-site inspections, and other matters which a Phase 2 Qualified Bidder may reasonably request and as to which the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in their reasonable business judgment and after consulting with the Monitor, may agree. The Financial Advisor will designate a representative to coordinate all reasonable requests for additional information and due diligence access from Phase 2 Qualified Bidders and the manner in which such requests must be communicated. None of the Applicants, the Financial Advisor or the Monitor will be obligated to furnish any information relating to the Property or Business to any person other than to Phase 2 Qualified Bidders. Further and for the avoidance of doubt, selected due diligence materials may be withheld from

certain Phase 2 Qualified Bidders if the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, determine such information to represent proprietary or sensitive competitive information.

Formal Binding Offers

23. A Phase 2 Qualified Bidder that wishes to make a formal offer to purchase or make an investment in the Applicants or the Property and Business shall submit a final and binding offer (a “**Bid**”) to the Financial Advisor at the addresses specified in Schedule “1” hereto (including by email transmission), so as to be received by them not later than 5:00 PM (Eastern Time) on or before June 27, 2025 (the “**Phase 2 Bid Deadline**”).
24. Subject to paragraph 27, a Bid so submitted will be considered a Qualified Bid (as defined below) only if it complies with all of the following requirements:
 - (a) the Bid shall comply with all of the requirements set forth in respect of Phase 1 Qualified LOIs;
 - (b) in the case of a Sale Proposal, the Bid shall be accompanied by a redline to the Stalking Horse Agreement;
 - (c) the Bid (either individually or in combination with other bids that make up one Bid) is an offer to purchase or make an investment in some or all of the Property or Business and is consistent with any necessary terms and conditions communicated to Phase 2 Qualified Bidders;
 - (d) the Bid includes a letter stating that the Phase 2 Qualified Bidder’s offer is irrevocable until the selection of the Successful Bidder (as defined below), provided that if such Phase 2 Qualified Bidder is selected as the Successful Bidder, its offer shall remain irrevocable until the closing of the transaction with the Successful Bidder;
 - (e) the Bid includes duly authorized and executed transaction agreements, including the purchase price, investment amount and any other key economic terms expressed in United States dollars (the “**Purchase Price**”), together with all exhibits and schedules thereto, all applicable ancillary agreements with all exhibits and schedules thereto (or term sheets that describe the material terms and provisions of such agreements), and proposed order to approve the sale by the Court, together with blacklines to any model documents provided by the Applicants and uploaded onto the Data Room;
 - (f) the Bid provides for aggregate cash consideration, payable in full on closing, in an amount sufficient to fully satisfy all outstanding amounts secured by each of the Court-ordered charges granted in the CCAA Proceedings as of the date of closing (such amount, the “**Charge Payout Amount**”);
 - (g) the Bid includes written evidence of a firm, irrevocable commitment for financing or other evidence of ability to consummate the proposed transaction, that will allow the Applicants, with the assistance of the Financial Advisor, and the Monitor to make a determination as to the Phase 2 Qualified Bidder’s financial and other capabilities to consummate the proposed transaction;

- (h) the Bid is not conditioned on: (i) the outcome of unperformed due diligence by the Phase 2 Qualified Bidder, apart from, to the extent applicable, to the disclosure of due diligence materials that represent proprietary or sensitive competitive information which was withheld in Phase 2 from the Phase 2 Qualified Bidder; and/or (ii) obtaining financing;
- (i) the Bid fully discloses the identity of each entity that will be entering into the transaction or the financing (including through the issuance of debt in connection with such Bid), or that is participating or benefiting from such Bid, and such disclosure shall include, without limitation: (i) in the case of a Phase 2 Qualified Bidder formed for the purposes of entering into the proposed transaction, the identity of each of the actual or proposed direct or indirect equity holders of such Phase 2 Qualified Bidder and the terms and participation percentage of such equity holder's interest in such Bid; and (ii) the identity of each entity that has or will receive a benefit from such Bid from or through the Phase 2 Qualified Bidder or any of its equity holders and the terms of such benefit;
- (j) the Bid includes a commitment by the Phase 2 Qualified Bidder to provide a deposit in the amount of not less than 10% of the Purchase Price (the "**Deposit**") upon the Phase 2 Qualified Bidder being selected as the Successful Bidder or the Back-Up Bidder, which shall be promptly paid to the Monitor in trust following, and in any event, no later than two (2) days after, such selection, and shall be held by the Monitor in accordance with paragraph 38 of this SISP;
- (k) the Bid includes acknowledgements and representations of the Phase 2 Qualified Bidder that: (i) the transaction is on an "as is, where is" basis; (ii) it has had an opportunity to conduct any and all due diligence regarding the Property, Business and the Applicants prior to making its offer (apart from, to the extent applicable, the disclosure of due diligence materials that represent proprietary or sensitive competitive information which were withheld in Phase 2 from the Phase 2 Qualified Bidder); (iii) it has relied solely upon its own independent review, investigation and/or inspection of any documents and/or the Property in making its Bid; (iv) it did not rely upon any written or oral statements, representations, warranties, or guarantees whatsoever, whether express, implied, statutory or otherwise, regarding the Business, Property, or the Applicants or the completeness of any information provided in connection therewith, except as expressly stated in the definitive transaction agreement(s) signed by the Applicants;
- (l) the Bid includes evidence, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Applicants, in consultation with the Financial Advisor, and to the Monitor, of authorization and approval from the Phase 2 Qualified Bidder's board of directors (or comparable governing body) with respect to the submission, execution, delivery and closing of the transaction agreement(s) submitted by the Phase 2 Qualified Bidder;
- (m) the Bid contains other information required by the Applicants, the Financial Advisor or the Monitor including, without limitation, such additional information as may be required in the event that an auction of certain Property is to be conducted; and

- (n) the Bid is received by the Phase 2 Bid Deadline.
25. Following the Phase 2 Bid Deadline, the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, will assess the Bids received. The Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, will designate the most competitive Bids that comply with the foregoing requirements to be “**Qualified Bids**”. No Bids received shall be deemed not to be Qualified Bids unless the Monitor so approves. Only Phase 2 Qualified Bidders whose Bids have been designated as Qualified Bids are eligible to become the Successful Bidder(s). The Stalking Horse Bid shall automatically be considered as a Qualified Bid for the purposes of this SISP and the Auction notwithstanding that it does not meet any one or more of the requirements set out in paragraph 24 (including, for greater certainty, the requirement to provide a Deposit). To the extent that no Qualified Bids (other than the Stalking Horse Bid) are received by the Phase 2 Bid Deadline for the Stalking Horse Assets, the Stalking Horse Bid shall be deemed to be the Successful Bid as it relates to the Stalking Horse Assets, and the SISP shall not proceed to an Auction.
26. The Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, may waive strict compliance with any one or more of the requirements specified above and deem such non-compliant Bids to be a Qualified Bid.
27. The Applicants may only designate a Bid as a Qualified Bid for the Stalking Horse Assets where the proposed Purchase Price is equal to or greater than that contained in the Stalking Horse Bid (including the amount of any Assumed Liabilities thereunder) plus the Charge Payout Amount (to the extent such amount is not duplicative of the Purchase Price contained in the Stalking Horse Bid) plus the Expense Reimbursement and Break Fee (each as defined in the Stalking Horse Agreement) plus \$500,000.
28. The Applicants and the Financial Advisor, may, in consultation with the Monitor, aggregate separate Bids from unaffiliated Phase 2 Qualified Bidders to create one “Qualified Bid”.

Selection of Successful Bid

29. A Qualified Bid will be valued based upon several factors, including, without limitation, items such as the Purchase Price and the net value provided by such bid, the composition of the consideration proposed to be used to satisfy the Purchase Price (it being understood that cash is a superior form of consideration and that credit bid consideration shall be considered equivalent to cash for these purposes), the claims likely to be created by such bid in relation to other bids, the identity, circumstances and ability of the Phase 2 Qualified Bidder to successfully complete such transactions, the proposed transaction documents, the effects of the bid on the stakeholders of the Applicants, factors affecting the speed, certainty and value of the transaction (including any regulatory approvals or third party contractual arrangements required to close the transactions), the assets included or excluded from the bid, any related restructuring costs, and the likelihood and timing of consummating such transactions, each as determined by the Applicants, with the assistance of the Financial Advisor, and the Monitor.
30. The Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, (a) will review and evaluate each Qualified Bid, provided that each Qualified Bid may be

negotiated between the Applicants, in consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor, and the applicable Phase 2 Qualified Bidder, and may be amended, modified or varied to improve such Phase 2 Qualified Bid as a result of such negotiations, and (b) identify the highest or otherwise best bid (the “**Successful Bid**”), and the Phase 2 Qualified Bidder making such Successful Bid, the “**Successful Bidder**”) for any particular Property or the Business in whole or part. The determination of any Successful Bid by the Applicants, with the assistance of the Financial Advisor and the Monitor, shall be subject to approval by the Court.

31. The Applicants, with the assistance of the Financial Advisor and the Monitor, may conditionally accept one or more Qualified Bids, which acceptance will be conditional upon the failure of the transaction(s) contemplated by the Successful Bid(s) to close (the “**Back-up Bid**” and the Phase 2 Qualified Bidder making such Back-up Bid, the “**Back-Up Bidder**”). The determination of any Successful Bid by the Applicants, with the assistance of the Financial Advisor and the Monitor, shall be subject to approval by the Court. The Stalking Horse Bid shall not be required to serve as a Back-Up Bid.
32. In the event there is more than one Qualified Bid, in addition to the Court-approved Stalking Horse Bid, then, no later than 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on June 30, 2025, the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, may determine the Successful Bid or may determine that the Successful Bid will be identified through an Auction (provided that the Applicants and the Financial Advisor may not designate a Bid providing for the purchase and sale of any Stalking Horse Assets that is not the Stalking Horse Bid as the Successful Bid without first holding the Auction). Any such Auction will be conducted in accordance with procedures to be determined by the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, acting reasonably, and in consultation with the Monitor, and notified to the applicable Qualified Bidders no less than 24 hours prior to the commencement of the Auction. Other than the Stalking Horse Bidder, in order to participate in the Auction, all Qualified Bidders must satisfy the Monitor of their ability to deliver a deposit top-up equivalent to the Expense Reimbursement and Break Fee, in the event that such Qualified Bidder’s Bid is the Successful Bid. Any such Auction will commence at a time to be designated by the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, no later than 12:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on July 2, 2025, or such other date or time as may be determined by the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, acting reasonably, and such Auction may, in the discretion of the Monitor, be held virtually via videoconference, teleconference or such other reasonable means as the Applicants and Monitor deems appropriate, in consultation with the Monitor.
33. If the Applicants and Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, do not designate an Auction, the Successful Bid(s) and the Back-Up Bid(s) will be selected by no later than 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on June 30, 2025. If the Applicants and Financial Advisor designate an Auction, the Successful Bid(s) and the Back-Up Bid(s) will be selected by no later than 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on July 2, 2025. The Successful Bid(s) must close no later than the Outside Date. If any Back-Up Bid is identified in accordance with this SISP, then such Back-Up Bid shall remain open until the date (the “**Back-Up Bid Outside Date**”) on which the transaction contemplated by the respective Successful Bid is consummated or such earlier date as the Applicants and Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, determines. If the transactions contemplated by a Successful Bid have not closed by the Outside Date or a Successful Bid is terminated for any reason prior to the Outside Date, then the Applicants and

Financial Advisor may elect, in consultation with the Monitor, to proceed with completing the transactions contemplated by a Back-Up Bid and will promptly seek to close the transaction contemplated by such Back-Up Bid. In such event, the applicable Back-Up Bid will be deemed to be a Successful Bid.

34. The Applicants shall have no obligation to enter into a Successful Bid (provided that nothing herein affects the Applicants' obligations under the Stalking Horse Agreement), and they reserve the right, after consultation with the Monitor and the Financial Advisor, to reject any or all Phase 2 Qualified Bids (save and except for the Stalking Horse Bid). If no other Phase 2 Qualified Bidder is chosen as the Successful Bid for the Stalking Horse Assets, the Stalking Horse Bid shall be the Successful Bid as it relates to the Stalking Horse Assets.

Approval of Successful Bid

35. The Applicants will bring one or more motions before the Court and the U.S. Court (each such motion, an "**Approval Motion**") for one or more orders:
- (a) approving the Successful Bid(s) and authorizing the taking of such steps and actions and completing such transactions as are set out therein or required thereby (and such order shall also approve the Back-Up Bid(s), if any, should the applicable Successful Bid(s) not close for any reason);
 - (b) granting a vesting order and/or reverse vesting order to the extent that such relief is contemplated by the applicable Successful Bid(s) to vest title to any purchased assets in the name of the Successful Bidder(s) and/or vesting unwanted liabilities out of one or more of the Applicants; and
 - (c) granting an order pursuant to section 363 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code with respect to any Property in the United States (collectively, the "**Approval Order(s)**").
36. The Approval Motion(s) will be held on date(s) to be scheduled by the Applicants and confirmed by the Court and the U.S. Court, as applicable. The Applicants, in consultation with the Monitor and the Stalking Horse Bidder, may adjourn or reschedule any Approval Motion without further notice, by an announcement of the adjourned or rescheduled date at the applicable Approval Motion or in a notice to the service list of the CCAA Proceedings prior to the applicable Approval Motion.
37. All Qualified Bids (other than the Successful Bid(s) but including the Back-Up Bid(s)) will be deemed rejected on and as of the date of the closing of the final Successful Bid, with no further or continuing obligation of the Applicants to any unsuccessful Qualified Bidders, other than the obligation to pay the Expense Reimbursement and Break Fee (each as defined in the Stalking Horse Agreement) in the case of the Stalking Horse Bidder.
38. Any Deposit(s) shall be held by the Monitor in a single interest bearing account designated solely for such purpose. A Deposit paid by a Successful Bidder shall be dealt with in accordance with the definitive documents for the transactions contemplated by the applicable Successful Bid. Deposits, and any interest thereon, paid by Phase 2 Qualified Bidders not selected as either a Successful Bidder or a Back-Up Bidder shall be returned

to such Phase 2 Qualified Bidders within three (3) business days of Court approval of the Successful Bid(s). In the case of Back-Up Bid(s), the Deposit and any interest earned thereon shall be retained by the Monitor until the Back-Up Bid Outside Date and returned to the Back-Up Bidder within three (3) business days thereafter or, if a Back-Up Bid becomes a Successful Bid, shall be dealt with in accordance with the definitive documents for the transaction contemplated by the Back-Up Bid.

Confidentiality, Stakeholder/Bidder Communication and Access to Information

39. All discussions regarding an LOI, Bid, Sale Proposal or Investment Proposal must be directed through the Financial Advisor. Under no circumstances should the management of the Applicants or any stakeholder of the Applicants be contacted directly without the prior consent of the Financial Advisor. Any such unauthorized contact or communication could result in exclusion of the interested party from the SISP process.
40. Participants and prospective participants in the SISP shall not be permitted to receive any information that is not made generally available to all participants relating to the number or identity of Potential Bidders, Phase 1 Qualified Bidders, Phase 2 Qualified Bidders, Phase 2 Qualified Bids, the details of any bids submitted or the details of any confidential discussions or correspondence between the Applicants, the Financial Advisor, the Monitor and such other bidders or Potential Bidders in connection with the SISP, except to the extent the Applicants and the Financial Advisor, with the approval of the Monitor and consent of the applicable participants, are seeking to combine separate bids from Phase 1 Qualified Bidders or Phase 2 Qualified Bidders.
41. The Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor, may consult with the legal and financial advisers to parties with a material interest in the CCAA proceedings regarding the status of the SISP to the extent considered appropriate (subject to taking into account, among other things, whether any particular party is a Potential Bidder, Phase 1 Qualified Bidder, Phase 2 Qualified Bidder or other participant or prospective participant in the SISP or involved in a bid), provided that any such party has entered into confidentiality arrangements satisfactory to the Applicants.

Supervision of the SISP

42. The participation of the Applicants in the SISP will be directed by the CRO, subject to ongoing direction from the Applicants' board of directors.
43. The Monitor will participate in the conduct of the SISP in the manner set out in this SISP Process Outline and the Initial Order and is entitled to receive all information in relation to the SISP.
44. This SISP does not, and will not be interpreted to create any contractual or other legal relationship between the Applicants and any Phase 1 Qualified Bidder, any Phase 2 Qualified Bidder or any other party, other than as specifically set forth in a definitive agreement that may be signed with the Applicants.
45. Without limiting Section 44, the Applicants, the Financial Advisor and the Monitor shall not have any liability whatsoever to any person or entity, including without limitation any potential bidder, Phase 1 Qualified Bidder, Phase 2 Qualified Bidder, Back-Up Bidder, Successful Bidder or any other creditor or stakeholder, as a result of implementation or

otherwise in connection with this SISP, except to the extent that any such liabilities result from the gross negligence or wilful misconduct of the Applicants, the Financial Advisor or the Monitor, as applicable, as determined by a final order of the Court. Further, no person or entity, including without limitation any potential bidder, Phase 1 Qualified Bidder, Phase 2 Qualified Bidder, Back-Up Bidder, Successful Bidder or any other creditor or stakeholder shall have any claim against the Applicants, the Financial Advisor or the Monitor in respect of the SISP for any reason whatsoever, except to the extent that such claim is the result of gross negligence or wilful misconduct by the Applicants, the Financial Advisor or the Monitor, as applicable, as determined by a final order of the Court.

46. Participants in the SISP are responsible for all costs, expenses and liabilities incurred by them in connection with the submission of any LOI, Phase 2 bid, due diligence activities, and any further negotiations or other actions whether or not they lead to the consummation of a transaction.
47. The Applicants and the Financial Advisor shall have the right to modify the SISP with the prior written approval of the Monitor and consultation with the Stalking Horse Bidder if, in their reasonable business judgment, such modification will enhance the process or better achieve the objectives of the SISP; provided that the Service List in this CCAA Proceeding shall be advised of any substantive modification to the procedures set forth herein.
48. All bidders shall be deemed to have consented to the jurisdiction of the Court (and the U.S. Court, if applicable) in connection with any disputes relating to the SISP, including the qualification of bids, the construction and enforcement of the SISP, and closing, as applicable.

APPENDIX A

DEFINED TERMS

- (a) “**Applicants**” is defined in the introduction hereto.
- (b) “**Approval Motion**” is defined in paragraph 35.
- (c) “**Approval Order**” is defined in paragraph 35(c).
- (d) “**Back-Up Bid**” is defined in paragraph 31.
- (e) “**Back-Up Bidder**” is defined in paragraph 31.
- (f) “**Back-Up Bid Outside Date**” is defined in paragraph 33.
- (g) “**Bid**” is defined in paragraph 23.
- (h) “**Bid Protections**” has the meaning given to that term in the SISP Approval Order.
- (i) “**Business**” means the business of the Applicants.
- (j) “**Business Day**” means a day (other than Saturday or Sunday) on which banks are generally open for business in Toronto, Ontario.
- (k) “**CCAA**” is defined in the introduction hereto.
- (l) “**Charge Payout Amount**” is defined in paragraph 24(f).
- (m) “**CRO**” means BlueTree Advisors Inc.
- (n) “**Claims and Interests**” is defined in paragraph 6.
- (o) “**Confidential Information Package**” is defined in paragraph 14.
- (p) “**Court**” is defined in the introduction hereto.
- (q) “**Data Room**” is defined in paragraph 14.
- (r) “**Deposit**” is defined in paragraph 24(j).
- (s) “**Financial Advisor**” means Alvarez & Marsal Canada Securities ULC
- (t) “**Initial Order**” is defined in the introductions hereto.
- (u) “**Investment Proposal**” is defined in paragraph 18(d)(ii).
- (v) “**Known Potential Bidders**” is defined in paragraph 8(a).
- (w) “**Leases**” means the Applicants’ leasehold holds and all related rights and obligations in connection therewith.

- (x) “**LOI**” is defined in paragraph 17.
- (y) “**Monitor**” is defined in the introduction hereto.
- (z) “**Monitor’s Website**” is defined in paragraph 7.
- (aa) “**NDA**” means a non-disclosure agreement in form and substance satisfactory to the Monitor, Financial Advisor and the Applicants, which will inure to the benefit of any purchaser of the Property or any investor in the Business or the Applicants.
- (bb) “**Notice**” is defined in paragraph 8(b).
- (cc) “**Opportunity**” is defined in paragraph 4.
- (dd) “**Outside Date**” means July 18, 2025, or such later date as may be agreed to by the Applicants, the Financial Advisor and the Monitor.
- (ee) “**Phase 1 Bid Deadline**” is defined in paragraph 17.
- (ff) “**Phase 1 Qualified Bidder**” is defined in paragraph 12.
- (gg) “**Phase 2 Bid Deadline**” is defined in paragraph 23.
- (hh) “**Phase 2 Qualified Bidder**” is defined in paragraph 20.
- (ii) “**Potential Bidder**” is defined in paragraph 11.
- (jj) “**Property**” means all of property, assets and undertakings of the Applicants.
- (kk) “**Purchase Price**” is defined in paragraph 24(e).
- (ll) “**Qualified Bids**” is defined in paragraph 25.
- (mm) “**Qualified LOI**” is defined in paragraph 18.
- (nn) “**Related Person**” means Ajay Kochhar and any other person within the meaning of “related person” in the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* (Canada).
- (oo) “**Sale Proposal**” is defined in paragraph 18(d)(i).
- (pp) “**Solicitation Process**” means the process for soliciting and selecting bids for the sale of or investment in the Business and Property.
- (qq) “**Stalking Horse Agreement**” is defined in the introduction hereto.
- (rr) “**Stalking Horse Assets**” means the Property subject to sale pursuant to the terms of the Stalking Horse Agreement.
- (ss) “**Stalking Horse Bid**” is defined in the introduction hereto.
- (tt) “**Stalking Horse Bidder**” is defined in the introduction hereto.
- (uu) “**Successful Bid**” is defined in paragraph 30.

- (vv) “**Successful Bidder**” is defined in paragraph 30.
- (ww) “**Teaser Letter**” is defined in paragraph 8(d).
- (xx) “**Third Party Agreement**” is defined in paragraph 18(e)(vii).

APPENDIX B

Address for Submitting LOI / Phase 2 Bid

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IN THE MATTER OF THE *COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED PLAN OF COMPROMISE OR ARRANGEMENT WITH RESPECT TO LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP. ET AL.

Court File No.

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EXHIBIT D

Approval and Vesting Order

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IN THE MATTER OF THE *COMPANIES' CREDITORS*
ARRANGEMENT ACT, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED

AND IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE OR
ARRANGEMENT OF LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP., LI-CYCLE
CORP., LI-CYCLE AMERICAS CORP., LI-CYCLE U.S. INC., LI-
CYCLE INC. AND LI-CYCLE NORTH AMERICA HUB, INC.

(collectively, the “**Applicants**”)

APPROVAL AND VESTING ORDER

THIS MOTION, made by the Applicants, pursuant to the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*,
R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the “**CCAA**”), for an order:

- (a) approving the sale transactions (collectively, the “**Transaction**”) contemplated by that certain equity and asset purchase agreement between the Applicants and Glencore Canada Corporation (the “**Glencore**”), dated May [●], 2025 (the “**Purchase Agreement**”);
- (b) vesting in [■]¹ (the “**U.S. Equity Buyer**”), as Glencore’s designated assignee, all of the right, title and interest of Li-Cycle U.S. Inc. (“**LICY U.S.**”) in and to the U.S. Transferred Equity Interests (as defined in the Purchase Agreement), free and clear of any Claims and Encumbrances (as defined below);
- (c) vesting in [■] (the “**Swiss Equity Buyer**”), as Glencore’s designated assignee, all of the right, title and interest of Li-Cycle Holdings Corp. (“**LICY Holdings**”) in and to the Swiss

¹ **Note**: Assignees to be incorporated prior to this Order being granted.

Transferred Equity Interests (as defined in the Purchase Agreement), free and clear of any Claims and Encumbrances (as defined below);

- (d) vesting in [] (the “**Purchased Assets Buyer**”), as Glencore’s designated assignee, all of the right, title and interest of: (i) LICY U.S.; (ii) Li-Cycle Corp. (“**LICY Corp.**”); (iii) Li-Cycle North America Hub, Inc. (“**LICY HubCo**”); and (iv) Li-Cycle Americas Corp. (“**LICY Americas**”) in and to the Purchased Assets (as defined in the Purchase Agreement) free and clear of any Claims and Encumbrances (as defined below);
- (e) vesting in [] (the “**Intellectual Property Buyer**”, and together with the U.S. Equity Buyer, the Swiss Equity Buyer and the Purchased Assets Buyer, the “**Buyers**”) all of the right, title and interest of LICY Corp. in and to the Transferred Intellectual Property (as defined in the Purchase Agreement) free and clear of any Claims and Encumbrances (as defined below),

was heard this day by judicial videoconference via Zoom.

ON READING the Notice of Motion dated [], 2025, Affidavit of [], sworn [], 2025, and the exhibits thereto, the [] report of Alvarez & Marsal Canada Inc. in its capacity as the court-appointed monitor of the Applicants (in such capacity, the “**Monitor**”), and such further materials as counsel may advise, and on hearing the submissions of counsel to the Applicants, counsel to the Monitor, counsel to the Buyers and counsel to [PARTIES], and no one else appearing for any other party on the Service List although duly served as appears from the affidavit of service of [] sworn [], 2025, filed:

SERVICE AND DEFINITIONS

1. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the time for service of the Notice of Motion and Motion Record herein is hereby abridged and validated so that this Motion is properly returnable today and hereby dispenses with further service thereof.
2. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that capitalized terms used herein that are otherwise not defined shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Purchase Agreement and/or the Amended and Restated Initial Order made in this proceeding on May [], 2025 (the “**A&R Initial Order**”), as applicable.

APPROVAL OF TRANSACTION

3. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Purchase Agreement and the Transaction are hereby approved and the execution of the Purchase Agreement by the Applicants is hereby authorized and approved, with

such minor amendments as the Applicants and the Buyers, with the consent of the Monitor, may deem necessary. The Applicants are hereby authorized and directed to take such additional steps and execute such additional documents as may be necessary or desirable for the completion of the Transaction, the conveyance of the U.S. Transferred Equity Interests, the Swiss Transferred Equity Interests, the Purchased Assets and/or the Transferred Intellectual Property (collectively, the “**Acquired Property**”) to the corresponding Buyers and/or the assumption of the Assumed Liabilities.

4. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that this Order, and to the extent applicable any orders made by the United States Bankruptcy Court pursuant to section 363 of the United States Bankruptcy Code, shall constitute sufficient authorization required by the Applicants to proceed with the Transaction and that no shareholder or other corporate approvals shall be required in connection therewith.²

5. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants are authorized and directed to perform their obligations under the Purchase Agreement and the Transaction Documents, including, without limitation, the Transition Services Agreement.

VESTING OF THE ACQUIRED PROPERTY

6. **THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES** that upon the delivery of a Monitor’s certificate substantially in the form attached as **Schedule “A”** hereto (the “**Monitor’s Certificate**”) to the Applicants (or their counsel) and to the Buyers (or their counsel) (the “**Effective Time**”):

- (a) all of the LICY U.S.’s right, title and interest in and to the U.S. Transferred Equity Interests shall vest absolutely in the U.S. Equity Buyer;
- (b) all of the LICY Holdings’ right, title and interest in and to the Swiss Transferred Equity Interests shall vest absolutely in the Swiss Equity Buyer;
- (c) all of the right, title and interest of: (i) LICY U.S.; (ii) LICY Holdings; (iii) LICY Corp.; (iv) LICY HubCo; and (v) LICY Americas in and to the Purchased Assets shall vest absolutely in the Purchased Assets Buyer; and
- (d) all of LICY Corp.’s right, title and interest in and to the Transferred Intellectual Property shall vest absolutely in the Intellectual Property Buyer,

² NTD: Canadian Plenary Court / Order should not be made subject to U.S. Ancillary Court / Order.

in each of the foregoing cases free and clear of and from any and all security interests (whether contractual, statutory, or otherwise), pledges, assignments, hypothecs, mortgages, trusts or deemed trusts (whether contractual, statutory, or otherwise), liens, executions, levies, charges, Taxes (assessed or that could be assessed), preferential arrangements of any kind or nature whatsoever or other financial or monetary claims, whether or not they have attached or been perfected, registered or filed and whether secured, unsecured or otherwise (collectively, “**Claims**”, which term, for greater certainty, shall not include the Assumed Liabilities or Permitted Encumbrances including those listed on **Schedule “B”**) including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing: (i) any encumbrances or charges created by the A&R Initial Order, the SISP Order, or any other orders made in this CCAA proceeding; and (ii) all charges, security interests or claims evidenced by registrations pursuant to the *Personal Property Security Act* (Ontario) or any other personal property registry system (all of which are collectively referred to as the “**Encumbrances**”, which term shall not include the Permitted Encumbrances, including those listed on **Schedule “B”**), including without limitation those registrations listed on **Schedule “C”** hereto, and, for greater certainty, this Court orders that all of the Encumbrances affecting, existing or relating to the Acquired Property are hereby unconditionally released, expunged, terminated and discharged as against the Acquired Property.

7. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that all options, conversion privileges, equity-based awards, warrants, securities, debentures, loans, notes or other rights, agreements, or commitments of any kind whatsoever that are held by any Person that are convertible or exchangeable for any shares or other equity interests in the capital of Li-Cycle Inc., Li-Cycle Europe AG or otherwise relating thereto, shall be deemed terminated and cancelled.

8. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, except as expressly contemplated in the Purchase Agreement, all Assumed Contracts will be and remain in full force and effect upon and following the Effective Time and completion of the Transaction, and no Person who is a party to an Assumed Contract may accelerate, terminate, rescind, refuse to perform or otherwise repudiate its obligations thereunder or enforce or exercise any right (including any right of set-off, dilution or other remedy) or make any demand under or in respect of any such arrangement, and no automatic termination or termination upon notice will have any validity or effect by reason of:

- (a) any event that occurred on or prior to the Effective Time and is not continuing that would have entitled such Person to enforce those rights or remedies (including defaults or events of default arising as a result of the insolvency of the Applicants or any of their Affiliates);

- (b) the insolvency of the Applicants or any of their Affiliates, or the fact that the Applicants sought or obtained relief under the CCAA or under Chapter 15 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code;
- (c) any compromises, releases, discharges, cancellations, transactions, arrangements, reorganizations, or other steps taken or effected pursuant to the Purchase Agreement or to effect the Transaction, or the provisions of this Order, or of any other Order of this Court in this CCAA proceeding, or any Order of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the “**U.S. Bankruptcy Court**”) under the Bankruptcy Code in respect of the Applicants or any of their Affiliates; or
- (d) any transfer or assignment, or any change of control of Li-Cycle Inc. and Li-Cycle Europe AG arising from the Purchase Agreement or the Transaction or the provisions of this Order (including, for greater certainty, the vesting of the U.S. Transferred Equity Interests in and to the U.S. Equity Buyer or vesting of the Swiss Transferred Equity Interests in and to the Swiss Equity Buyer).

9. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, as of the Effective Time³ all Persons shall be deemed to have waived any and all defaults of the Applicants then existing or previously committed by the Applicants, or caused by the Applicants, directly or indirectly, or non-compliance with any covenant, warranty, representation, undertaking, positive or negative covenant, provision, condition, or obligation, express or implied, in any Assumed Contract arising directly or indirectly from the insolvency of the Applicants, the filing by the Applicants under the CCAA, the Purchase Agreement or the Transaction, including, without limitation, any of the matters or events listed in paragraph 9 hereof and any and all notices of default and demands for payment or any step or proceeding taken or commenced in connection therewith under an Assumed Contract shall be deemed to have been rescinded and of no further force or effect.

10. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that from and after the Effective Time, any and all Persons shall be and are hereby forever barred, estopped, stayed and enjoined from commencing, taking, applying for, or issuing or continuing any and all steps or proceedings, whether directly, derivatively or otherwise, and including, without limitation, administrative hearings and orders, declarations and assessments, commenced, taken, or proceeded with or that may be commenced, taken, or proceeded with against Glencore and/or any Buyer(s) relating in any way to the Excluded Assets, Excluded Liabilities, Excluded Contracts, any

³ NTD: Removed language should only appear in an 11.3 Order, if any.

Encumbrances (for greater certainty, not including the Permitted Encumbrances), and any other claims, obligations, and other matters that are waived, released, expunged or discharged pursuant to this Order.

11. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that for the purposes of determining the nature and priority of Claims and Encumbrances, the net proceeds from the sale of the Acquired Property shall stand in the place and stead of the Acquired Property, and that from and after the Effective Time all Claims and Encumbrances shall attach to the net proceeds from the sale of the Acquired Property with the same priority as they had with respect to the Acquired Property immediately prior to the sale, as if the Acquired Property had not been sold and remained in the possession or control of the person having that possession or control immediately prior to the sale.

12. **THIS COURT ORDERS AND DIRECTS** the Monitor to file with the Court a copy of the Monitor's Certificate, forthwith after delivery thereof to the Applicants and the Buyers, or to their respective counsel.

13. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor and its counsel may rely on written notice from the Applicants and the Buyers, or their respective counsel, regarding the fulfilment or waiver of conditions to closing under the Purchase Agreement and shall have no liability with respect to delivery of the Monitor's Certificate.

14. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, notwithstanding:

- (a) the pendency of this proceeding or the U.S. Proceedings;
- (b) any applications for a bankruptcy or receivership order now or hereinafter issued pursuant to the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* (Canada) (the "**BIA**") or other applicable legislation, in respect of the Applicants or their property, and any bankruptcy or receivership order issued pursuant to any such applications; and
- (c) any assignment in bankruptcy made in respect of the Applicants,

the entering into of the Purchase Agreement and the vesting of the Acquired Property in the Buyers, as applicable, pursuant to this Order shall be binding on any trustee in bankruptcy or receiver that may be appointed in respect of the Applicants and shall not be void or voidable by creditors of the Applicants, nor shall it constitute nor be deemed to be a fraudulent preference, assignment, fraudulent conveyance, transfer at undervalue, or other reviewable transaction under the BIA or any other applicable federal or provincial legislation, nor shall it constitute oppressive or unfairly prejudicial conduct pursuant to any applicable federal or provincial legislation.

PIPEDA

15. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, pursuant to clause 7(3)(c) of the Canada *Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act*, the Monitor and the Applicants are authorized and permitted to disclose and transfer to the Buyers all human resources and payroll information in the Applicants' records pertaining to the Applicants' past and current employees. The Buyers shall maintain and protect the privacy of such information and shall be entitled to use the personal information provided to it in a manner which is in all material respects identical to the prior use of such information by the Applicants.

NAME CHANGES AND REMOVAL OF SPOKECO

16. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, notwithstanding section 168 of the *Business Corporations Act* (Ontario) ("OBCA") or any provision of any other applicable federal or provincial legislation, [each Applicant] is hereby authorized and directed, on or following the Effective Time, to take any appropriate action to change its name to a name that does not include the words "Li-Cycle" or any similar words, including, but not limited to, filing articles of amendment in accordance with the OBCA and registering an amendment, renewal or cancellation of a registration in accordance with the *Business Names Act* (Ontario) ("BNA") or any other applicable federal or provincial legislation, for and on behalf of such Applicant for the sole purpose of complying with this paragraph 16, and this Court hereby directs the Director (as defined in the OBCA) and the Registrar (as defined in the BNA) and any analogous governmental authority to endorse, certify and/or issue such documents and take such further actions as are necessary to give effect to this paragraph 16.

17. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, at the Effective Time, Li-Cycle Inc. ("U.S. SpokeCo") shall cease to be an Applicant in this CCAA proceeding, and U.S. SpokeCo shall be released from the purview of the A&R Initial Order and all other Orders of this Court granted in respect of this CCAA proceeding, save and except for this Order, the provisions of which (as they relate to U.S. SpokeCo) shall continue to apply in all respects, and the Monitor shall have been discharged as Monitor of U.S. SpokeCo. At the Effective Time, the Charges shall be expunged and discharged as against U.S. SpokeCo's Property.

18. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that following the Effective Time, the style of cause of this CCAA proceeding shall be hereby amended by being deleted and replaced in its entirety by the following:

IN THE MATTER OF THE *COMPANIES' CREDITORS*
ARRANGEMENT ACT, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED

AND IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE OR
ARRANGEMENT OF LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP., LI-

CYCLE CORP., LI-CYCLE AMERICAS CORP., LI-CYCLE U.S.
INC. AND LI-CYCLE NORTH AMERICA HUB, INC.

RELEASE OF BID PROTECTIONS CHARGE

19. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that effective as of the Effective Time, the Bid Protections Charge granted in the SISP Order dated May 22, 2025 shall be automatically released and terminated without any further action.

RELEASES AND OTHER PROTECTIONS

20. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, effective as of the Effective Time: (a) the current and former directors, officers, partners, employees, legal counsel, agents and advisors of the Applicants; (b) the CRO, the CFO, the Financial Advisor and Maplebriar; (c) the Monitor, its legal counsel, their respective affiliates, and each of the foregoing persons' respective current and former directors, officers, partners, employees, agents and advisors; (d) Glencore, the Buyers, U.S. SpokeCo, their respective affiliates, and each of the foregoing persons' respective current and former directors, officers, employees, legal counsel and advisors (collectively, the "**Released Parties**" which, for greater certainty, does not include the Applicants (save and except that the Released Parties includes U.S. SpokeCo)) shall be deemed to be forever irrevocably released by the Releasing Parties (as hereinafter defined) and discharged from any and all present and future claims (including, without limitation, claims for contribution or indemnity), liabilities, indebtedness, demands, actions, causes of action, counterclaims, suits, damages, judgments, executions, recoupments, debts, sums of money, expenses, accounts, liens, taxes, recoveries, and obligations of any nature or kind whatsoever (whether direct or indirect, known or unknown, absolute or contingent, accrued or unaccrued, liquidated or unliquidated, matured or unmatured or due or not yet due, in law or equity and whether based in statute or otherwise) based in whole or in part on any act or omission, transaction, dealing or other occurrence existing or taking place on or prior to the Effective Time or undertaken or completed in connection with, in respect of, relating to, or arising out of (i) the Applicants, the business, operations, assets, property and affairs of the Applicants, wherever or however conducted or governed, the administration and/or management of the Applicants, this CCAA Proceeding and/or the U.S. Proceedings; or (ii) the Purchase Agreement, any agreement, document, instrument, matter or transaction involving the Applicants arising in connection with or pursuant to any of the foregoing, and/or the consummation of the Transaction (collectively, subject to the excluded matters below, the "**Released Claims**"), which Released Claims shall be deemed to be fully, finally, irrevocably and forever waived, discharged, released, cancelled and barred as against the Released Parties; provided that, nothing in this paragraph shall waive, discharge, release, cancel or bar: (A) any claim that is not permitted to be released pursuant to section 5.1(2) of the

CCAA or claim with respect to any act or omission that is finally determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to have constituted actual fraud, willful misconduct, or gross negligence; (B) all Convertible Note Obligations, other than those obligations credited or assumed by any Buyer as part of the Purchase Price under the Purchase Agreement; (C) all security and similar interests granted to Glencore and/or any Buyer under the Credit Documents, subject to the terms of the Purchase Agreement; or (D) any obligations of any of the Released Parties under or pursuant to the Purchase Agreement and/or any agreement, document, instrument, matter or transaction involving the Applicants entered into pursuant to the foregoing.

“Releasing Parties” means any and all Persons (other than the Applicants (excluding U.S. SpokeCo) and their respective current and former affiliates), and their current and their current and former affiliates, current and former members, directors, managers, officers, investment committee members, special committee members, equity holders (regardless of whether such interests are held directly or indirectly), predecessors, successors, assigns, participants, subsidiaries, affiliates, partners, limited partners, general partners, affiliated investment funds or investment vehicles, managed accounts or funds, and each of their respective current and former members, equity holders, officers, directors, managers, principals, members, management companies, advisory board members, investment fund advisors or managers, employees, agents, trustees, investment managers, financial advisors, partners, legal counsel, accountants, investment bankers, consultants, representatives, and other professionals, each in their capacity as such.

21. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that at the Effective Time, the Buyers shall irrevocably be deemed released from any and all claims, liabilities (direct, indirect, absolute or contingent) or obligations with respect to any Taxes or any part thereof (including penalties and interest thereon) of, or that relate to, the Applicants, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, all taxes that could be assessed against the Applicants and the Buyers pursuant to Section 160 of the *Income Tax Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. 1 (5th Supp), or any provincial equivalent, in connection with the Applicants.

22. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, effective as of the Effective Time, the Released Parties shall be deemed to be forever irrevocably released by each of the Applicants (save and except for U.S. SpokeCo), and discharged from, any and all Released Claims held by any Applicant as of the Effective Time, which Released Claims shall be deemed to be fully, finally, irrevocably and forever waived, discharged, released, cancelled and barred as against the Released Parties; *provided* that, nothing in this paragraph shall waive, discharge, release, cancel or bar: (a) any claim that is not permitted to be released pursuant to section 5.1(2) of the CCAA or claim with respect to any act or omission that is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to have constituted actual fraud, willful misconduct, or gross negligence; or (b) any obligations of any of the Released Parties under or in connection with the Purchase Agreement and/or any agreement, document, instrument, matter or transaction involving the Applicants arising in connection with or pursuant to any of the foregoing. The releases set forth in this paragraph shall not include, nor limit or modify in

any way, any claim (or any defense) that any of the Applicants may hold or be entitled to assert against any Released Party other than Glencore, the Buyers, U.S. SpokeCo, their respective affiliates, and each of the foregoing persons' respective current and former directors, officers, employees, legal counsel and advisors as of the Effective Time relating to any contracts, leases, agreements, licenses, bank accounts or banking relationships, accounts receivable, invoices, or other ordinary source obligations which are remaining in effect following the Effective Time.

GENERAL

23. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants, the Monitor and the Buyers may apply to the Court as necessary to seek further orders and directions to give effect to this Order.

24. **THIS COURT HEREBY REQUESTS** the aid and recognition of any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body having jurisdiction in Canada or in the United States, including the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York overseeing the Applicants' U.S. Proceedings under Chapter 15 of the Bankruptcy Code in Case No. [REDACTED], to give effect to this Order and to assist the Applicants, the Monitor and the Buyers and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order. All courts, tribunals, regulatory and administrative bodies are hereby respectfully requested to make such orders and to provide such assistance to the Applicants and to the Monitor, as an officer of this Court, as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order, to grant representative status to the Monitor in any foreign proceeding or to assist the Applicants and the Monitor and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order. The CRO is authorized and empowered to act as a representative in respect of the within proceedings in any jurisdiction outside Canada, including, without limitation, to apply for recognition and enforcement of this Order in the United States.

25. **THIS COURTS ORDERS** that this Order and all of its provisions are effective as of 12:01 a.m. Eastern Standard Time on the date of this Order without any need for filing or entry.

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Schedule “A” – Form of Monitor’s Certificate

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**ONTARIO
SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE
COMMERCIAL LIST**

IN THE MATTER OF THE *COMPANIES’ CREDITORS
ARRANGEMENT ACT*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED

AND IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE OR
ARRANGEMENT OF [LI-CYCLE CORP., LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS
CORP., LI-CYCLE U.S. INC. AND LI-CYCLE NORTH AMERICA
HUB, INC.] (collectively, the “**Applicants**”)

MONITOR’S CERTIFICATE

RECITALS

A. Pursuant to an Order of Justice [■] of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice (Commercial List) (the “**Court**”) dated [■], 2025 (as amended and restated, and as may be further amended and restated from time to time, the “**Initial Order**”), Alvarez & Marsal Canada Inc. was appointed as monitor of the Applicants (in such capacity, the “**Monitor**”) in a proceeding commenced by the Applicant under the *Companies’ Creditors Arrangement Act*.

B. Pursuant to the Approval and Vesting Order of the Court dated [■], 2025 (the “**Approval and Vesting Order**”), the Court approved the equity and asset purchase agreement between the Applicants and Glencore Canada Corporation dated [■], 2025 (the “**Purchase Agreement**”), providing for, among other things, the vesting of the Acquired Property in and to the Buyers (both as defined in the Approval and Vesting Order), as applicable, free and clear of all Claims and Encumbrances (as defined in the Approval and Vesting Order), which vesting is to be effective upon the delivery by the Monitor to the Buyers (or their counsel) and the Applicants (or their counsel) of this Monitor’s Certificate.

C. Unless otherwise indicated or defined herein, capitalized terms used in this Monitor’s Certificate shall have the meanings given to them in the Approval and Vesting Order and/or the Purchase Agreement.

THE MONITOR CERTIFIES the following:

1. The conditions to Closing set forth in the Purchase Agreement have been satisfied or waived by the Applicants and the Buyers, as applicable.
2. The Buyers have paid and the Applicant has received the Purchase Price for the Acquired Property payable on the Closing Date pursuant to the Purchase Agreement and/or the Approval and Vesting Order.
3. The Transaction has been completed to the satisfaction of the Applicants, the Monitor and the Buyers, respectively.

DATED at Toronto, Ontario this _____ day of _____, 2025.

**ALVAREZ & MARSAL CANADA INC., solely in
its capacity as Monitor of the Applicants and not in
its personal capacity**

Per: _____

Name:

Title:

Schedule “B” – Permitted Encumbrances

- ☐ [NTD: To be completed.]

Schedule “C” – Encumbrances to be Discharged

- ☐ [NTD: To be completed.]

IN THE MATTER OF THE *COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED PLAN OF COMPROMISE OR ARRANGEMENT WITH RESPECT TO LI-CYCLE HOLDINGS CORP. ET AL.

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EXHIBIT E

Form of Bill of Sale, Assignment and Assumption Agreement

BILL OF SALE AND ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT¹

This **BILL OF SALE AND ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT**, dated as of [●], 2025 (this “Agreement”), is entered into by and among [●] (“Assignee”), and each of the Persons set forth on Schedule I (collectively, “Assignors”) (each of the Assignors and Assignee, a “Party” and, together, the “Parties”).

Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings as given to them in that certain Equity and Asset Purchase Agreement dated as of May 13, 2025 by and among Glencore Canada Corporation, Li-Cycle Holdings Corp., and the other Sellers party thereto (the “Purchase Agreement”).

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Purchase Agreement, Assignee has agreed to purchase the Transferred Assets and to assume the Assumed Liabilities, in each case on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Purchase Agreement.

WHEREAS, pursuant to this Agreement and subject to the conditions set forth in the Purchase Agreement, Assignor shall sell, convey, assign, transfer and deliver to Assignee, and Assignee shall purchase, acquire and accept from Assignor, all of Assignor’s right, title and interest in and to the Purchased Assets free and clear of all Claims (other than the Assumed Liabilities) and Encumbrances (other than Permitted Encumbrances); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to this Agreement and subject to the conditions set forth in the Purchase Agreement, Assignee shall assume and timely pay and perform the Assumed Liabilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements contained herein and in the Purchase Agreement, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt, adequacy and legal sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:

1. Sale and Transfer of the Purchased Assets. Subject to the terms and conditions of the Purchase Agreement, the Approval and Vesting Order, and the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order, effective as of the Closing, each Assignor hereby sells, conveys, assigns, transfers and delivers to Assignee, and Assignee hereby purchases, acquires and accepts from each Assignor, all the rights, title and interest of the Assignors, free and clear of all Claims (other than the Assumed Liabilities) and Encumbrances (other than Permitted Encumbrances) to the Purchased Assets. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to sell, convey, assign, transfer or deliver any of the Excluded Assets to Assignee and the Assignors shall retain all right, title and interest in and to the Excluded Assets.

2. Assumption of Assumed Liabilities. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Purchase Agreement, the Approval and Vesting Order, and the AVO Recognition and Section 363 Order, effective as of the Closing, each Assignor hereby assigns to Assignee, and Assignee hereby assumes and thereafter timely pay and perform the Assumed Liabilities. It is

¹ **Note to Draft:** To the extent that Buyer exercises its right to designate one or more affiliates to acquire Transferred Assets or assume Assumed Liabilities at closing, this Agreement will be updated to specify the Transferred Assets or Assumed Liabilities being acquired by each such designated affiliate.

expressly agreed that each Assignor shall retain and Assignee shall not assume any of the Excluded Liabilities, and all such Excluded Liabilities shall remain the sole responsibility of each Assignor.

3. Binding Agreement. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties and their respective permitted successors and assigns.

4. Terms of the Purchase Agreement. This Agreement is entered into pursuant to, and subject to all of the terms and conditions of, the Purchase Agreement, and all of the obligations, agreements, covenants and warranties of the Parties contained therein. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be deemed to supersede, amend, alter, enlarge on or modify any of the obligations, agreements, covenants or warranties of any Assignor or Assignee contained in the Purchase Agreement in any manner whatsoever. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the terms and conditions of this Agreement and those of the Purchase Agreement, the terms and conditions of the Purchase Agreement shall control and prevail.

5. Sole Remedy. The sole and exclusive remedy of the Assignee and Assignors with respect to any breach of this Agreement shall be as set forth in the Purchase Agreement.

6. Invalidity. If any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall, for any reason, be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to modify this Agreement, to ensure that this Agreement shall reflect as closely as practicable the intent of the Parties on the date hereof.

7. Amendments and Waivers. No amendment of any provision of this Agreement shall be valid unless the same shall be in writing and signed by each Party.

8. Further Assurances. Each of the Parties shall execute and deliver such documents, and take such other action, as shall be reasonably requested by any other party to carry out the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

9. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Counterparts to this Agreement may be delivered via “pdf” or facsimile. In proving this Agreement, it shall not be necessary to produce or account for more than one such counterpart signed by the Party against whom enforcement is sought.

10. Governing Law. This Agreement, the rights and obligations of the Parties under this Agreement, and any claims or controversy directly or indirectly based upon or arising out of this Agreement (whether based on contract, tort, or any other theory), including all matters of construction, validity and performance, shall in all respects be governed by, and interpreted, construed and determined in accordance with, the laws of the Province of Ontario and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein, without regard to the conflicts of law principles thereof.

11. Third Party Beneficiaries. Nothing in this Agreement, express or implied, is intended to confer upon any other Person any rights or remedies of any nature under or by reason of this Agreement, except as expressly provided herein.

12. Titles and Headings. Titles and headings of Sections of this Agreement are inserted for convenience only and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

[Remainder of page intentionally left blank.]

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

[Assignee]

By: _____
Name:
Title:

[Assignor]²

By: _____
Name:
Title:

² **Note to Draft:** To include all relevant Assignors.

Schedule I

Assignor

Li-Cycle North America Hub, Inc., a Delaware corporation

Li-Cycle Corp., a corporation existing under the laws of the Province of Ontario

Li-Cycle Americas Corp., a corporation existing under the laws of the Province of Ontario³

Li-Cycle U.S. Inc., a Delaware corporation

Li-Cycle Holdings Corp., a corporation existing under the laws of the Province of Ontario

³ **Note to Draft:** Li-Cycle Americas Corp. will only be an Assignor for purposes of transferring Assumed Contracts, if applicable.

Tab F

This is Exhibit "F" referred to in the
Affidavit of **William E. Aziz**,
sworn before me on May 16, 2025

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Meena Alnajar". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

A Commissioner for taking Affidavits (or as may be)
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Project Charge

Leading Battery Resource Recovery Company

Company Overview

- Headquartered in Canada, the Company is a leading lithium-ion battery ("LiB") resource recovery company which procures battery-grade materials through secure commercial feedstock agreements with a diverse base of 200+ suppliers and sells recycled outputs via contracted offtake and marketing arrangements.
- The Company has five existing "Spoke" (pre-processing) facilities in North America and Europe and is developing a "Hub" (post-processing) facility in New York:
 - Spoke Facilities:** Mechanically process end-of-life ("EOL") LiBs and battery manufacturing scrap into black mass ("BM"), representing the first stage of the recycling process.
 - Hub Facility:** Utilizes a hydrometallurgical process to produce critical materials from BM, including Lithium Carbonate and a Mixed Hydroxide Precipitate ("MHP"), which can be returned to the EV supply chain as part of a "closed loop" process. The facility design includes optionality to build-out nickel sulphate and cobalt sulphate production, providing flexibility to respond to evolving battery supply chain market dynamics.
- The Company represents a compelling investment opportunity, uniquely positioned to benefit from rapid growth in the battery materials and LiB recycling market, amid increasing global focus on sustainability and critical raw material supply chain resilience.

Transaction Overview

- The Company has paused select sites and furloughed staff following unsuccessful efforts to secure financing to meet its obligations and continue as a going concern.
- As a result, Alvarez & Marsal Canada Securities ULC ("A&M") has been engaged as financial advisor to lead a sale process for the Company, which may involve the full platform, individual Spoke or Hub assets, or a combination thereof.
- Interested parties are invited to submit a non-binding letter of intent by early June 2025. A&M will circulate a process letter in advance of the bid deadline outlining submission requirements.

Investment Highlights

- Long Term Macroeconomic Tailwinds**
 - Increasing focus on domestic supply chain for critical raw materials.
- State-of-the-Art Spoke and Hub Facilities**
 - Attractive facilities strategically located in key centers for LiB and scrap manufacturing.
- Industry Leading Technology & Equipment**
 - Proprietary LiB shredding facilities operating at commercial-scale and protected by intellectual property developed and owned by the Company.
- Reputable, Blue-Chip Suppliers and Customers**
 - Strong commercial partnerships with blue chip customers, including Tier 1 EV and cell manufacturers.
- Feedstock-Flexible Processing Capabilities**
 - Chemistry and form factor agnostic feedstock optionality to adapt to future commodity dynamics.
- At the Forefront of Sustainability Solutions**
 - Designed and operated with minimal environmental footprint and optimized sustainability benefits.

Network of Spoke & Hub Facilities

Spokes	Processing Area (sq. ft.)	Operational Start	Main-Line Spoke Input Capacity (up to)	Feed Type
Germany	~547,000	Q3 2023	10 ktpa	Scrap, EOL
Arizona ⁽¹⁾	~139,000	Q2 2022	10 ktpa	
Alabama ⁽¹⁾	~108,000	Q4 2022	10 ktpa	
New York ⁽¹⁾	~64,000	Q2 2020	5 ktpa	
Ontario ⁽¹⁾	~10,200	Q3 2019	5 ktpa	
Hub	Processing Area (sq. ft.)	Status	Planned Key Outputs	BM Capacity
New York ⁽²⁾	~1,790,000 (land area)	Paused Construction	Li ₂ CO ₃ , MHP	35 ktpa

5 Spoke Facilities
that can produce BM with ~40 ktpa of LiB pre-processing capacity

200+
Feedstock supply customers with ability to "Close the Loop"

70 ktpa
Run-rate aggregated LiB processing capacity once ramped up at the Rochester Hub

~200k
Equivalent EV production at the Rochester Hub

(1) Spoke operations currently paused to conserve cash. (2) Hub construction was underway but paused due to capital constraints.

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Spoke Highlights:



Ability to process full battery packs without disassembly or discharging, resulting in a fundamentally safer LiB recycling process



Environmentally sustainable with relatively low emissions and minimal solid waste

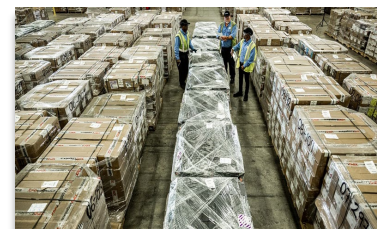


Efficient footprint with safe and low-cost operations



Agnostic to battery chemistry and form factor

Process is Patented, Scalable and Easily Deployable



- ✓ Proprietary process enables Spoke facilities to handle a broad range of battery chemistries and form factors, including intact EV packs with minimal to no disassembly, and safely recycling damaged units.
- ✓ Unique submerged shredding technology eliminates need to discharge and dismantle batteries prior to processing.
- ✓ One of the few North America operators capable of recycling lithium iron phosphate (LFP) batteries.
- ✓ Strategic proximity to customers provides a competitive edge in securing commercial agreements through:
 - Lower logistics and transportation costs;
 - Ability to pre-process in locations with lower labor, energy, and permitting requirements; and
 - Minimized fire risk during transit.

Rochester Hub Highlights:

- **Buyer Optionality:** Flexibility to build out Rochester Hub for (i) one battery grade material (lithium carbonate) and one intermediate product (MHP), and (ii) three different battery material outputs (nickel sulphate; cobalt sulphate; manganese carbonate), as part of an optional "Phase Two" expansion to complete individual product circuits.



Feedstock: Supplied from both the Company's Spoke network and third-party black mass sources



Site: Greenfield site, leveraging existing brownfield infrastructure



Technology: Commercializing the Company's state-of-the-art hydrometallurgical technology

**Up to ~8 ktpa
Lithium Carbonate**

**Up to ~72 ktpa
MHP**

**Up to ~10 ktpa
Nickel Contained**

**Up to ~1.8 ktpa
Cobalt
Contained**



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Tab G

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KEY EMPLOYEE RETENTION PLAN

May 22, 2025

Background

Li-Cycle Holdings Corp., Li-Cycle Corp., Li-Cycle Americas Corp., Li-Cycle U.S. Inc., Li-Cycle Inc., Li-Cycle North America Hub, Inc. and certain affiliates (“**Li-Cycle**”) obtained protection under the *Companies’ Creditors Arrangement Act* (the “**CCAA**”) pursuant to an initial order (the “**Initial Order**”) obtained from the Ontario Superior Court of Justice (Commercial List) (the “**Court**”) on May 14, 2025.

Pursuant to the Initial Order, Alvarez & Marsal Canada Inc. was appointed as monitor (in such capacity, the “**Monitor**”) of Li-Cycle.

The initiation of proceedings under the CCAA (the “**CCAA Proceedings**”) has created uncertainty among Li-Cycle’s employees. Li-Cycle’s management has been advised that certain employees have considered seeking alternative employment opportunities. In addition, the lack of employment certainty and related financial instability that would result from a loss of employment has the potential to impact employee morale and performance. Li-Cycle requires the continued active engagement of certain key employees to keep the business running and to maximize the value of its business during the realization processes that will be pursued in the CCAA Proceedings.

Purpose and Scope

Subject to obtaining the prior approval of the Court, Li-Cycle intends to put in place a Key Employee Retention Plan (“**KERP**”) in the form contemplated herein for the purpose of securing the continued service of the KERP Employees (as defined below) during the CCAA Proceedings.

Li-Cycle’s senior management believes that the retention and continued employment of certain key employees (the “**KERP Employees**”), as listed in **Schedule “A”** hereto along with the proposed payout (the “**KERP Incentive Payment**”) are necessary to facilitate the efficient and effective conduct of the CCAA Proceedings and to achieve a value-maximizing outcome for Li-Cycle’s stakeholders.

The KERP Employees: (i) have skills, knowledge, and capabilities to facilitate the realization processes that will be pursued in the CCAA Proceedings and to keep the business running to preserve maximum value for all stakeholders; and, (ii) are necessary for the success of these endeavours.

The KERP Employees have other employment options available to them and it would be difficult to replace them in the near future given Li-Cycle’s current circumstances. Replacement of the KERP Employees would pose a challenge given the time constraints under which Li-Cycle is presently operating.

The proposed KERP provides the KERP Incentive Payment based on the KERP Employee’s position and impact and value to the business. Li-Cycle believes that the proposed KERP properly incentivizes the KERP Employees, as it demonstrates Li-Cycle’s ability to reward employees, financially, for their commitment to stay and ensure the CCAA Proceeding is successful.

The implementation of the KERP is conditional on obtaining the prior approval of the Court.

KERP Incentive Payments

This KERP shall be in the maximum aggregate amount of CAD \$869,973.92 and USD \$672,075.46 to be allocated among the KERP Employees as set out in **Schedule “A”**. The KERP Incentive Payment will be conditional on the satisfaction of the KERP Conditions (as set out herein).

The aggregate of the KERP Incentive Payments will be paid to the Monitor within five business days of the KERP being approved by the Court, should it be approved. A KERP Incentive Payment will be paid by the Monitor to Li-Cycle, and by Li-Cycle to an employee on the earlier of:

- (a) July 31, 2025;
 - (b) when the KERP Employee’s employment is terminated, without cause; or
 - (c) the consummation of a transaction that (1) effectuates a recapitalization or restructuring of a material portion of Li-Cycle’s outstanding indebtedness, or (2) involves an acquisition, merger, or other business combination pursuant to which a majority of the business, equity, or operating assets of Li-Cycle is sold, purchased, or combined with another entity or company
- (the “**KERP Retention Period**”).

The KERP Incentive Payment will be paid on the next scheduled pay date following the KERP Retention Period, or as soon as practicable thereafter (but in all events, no later than 30 days following the end of the KERP Retention Period). The lump sum will be subject to the required tax withholdings and source deductions.

KERP Conditions

The KERP and the KERP Incentive Payment are subject to the following conditions:

- (a) the KERP Employee must remain employed in their current position, or as otherwise required by Li-Cycle, through to the end of the KERP Retention Period to be eligible to receive the KERP Incentive Payment;
- (b) the KERP Employee must fulfill their performance expectations and work their regular schedule throughout the KERP Retention Period;
- (c) the KERP Employee shall have maintained the confidentiality of the KERP;
- (d) the KERP Employee shall not have breached the non-disparagement terms set out herein;
- (e) unscheduled absences, for any reason, for more than five (5) cumulative days, in any month, throughout the Retention Period will result in a *pro rata* reduction of the KERP Incentive Payment for the days that exceed the allowable five; and,

- (f) if, during the KERP Retention Period, KERP Employees do not meet performance expectations, voluntarily resign or retire, or involuntarily separate for any reason, other than disability, death, or termination without cause, they will not receive any KERP Incentive Payment, prorated or otherwise

(collectively, the “**KERP Conditions**”).

If at any point during the KERP Retention Period the company decides to extend the KERP Retention Period, it will be presented to employees by way of a revised KERP which is required to be signed by the applicable employee. The financial terms of any revised KERP will be consistent with the original KERP. The employee may choose to agree to the new terms by signing the revised KERP or they may decide, without penalty, to continue under the terms of the original KERP. If an employee continues under the term of the original KERP and the conditions upon which an obligation to pay the KERP Incentive Payment are not achieved, then the KERP will expire and the employee will not be entitled to any payment under any revised KERP or otherwise.

Li-Cycle, in consultation with their professional advisors and the Monitor, will be solely responsible for making determinations with respect to this KERP. The determination of Li-Cycle with respect to entitlement will be final and binding on the KERP Employees and no KERP Employee will have any claim or recourse against the officers, directors, shareholders, advisors, or other representatives of Li-Cycle or the Monitor in respect of any matter relating to this KERP.

If an individual who would otherwise be a KERP Employee has resigned or had their employment terminated for cause on or before the date that any KERP Incentive Payment is due, the entitlement of such individual to receive such future amount under this KERP shall cease, the individual will not receive and will have no claim for any further amounts under this KERP and the Monitor will return the amount of the KERP Incentive Payment for that individual set out in Schedule “A” hereto to Li-Cycle.

Confidentiality

The terms of the KERP are private and confidential as amongst and between: (i) the KERP Employees; and (ii) any current or future non-eligible employees. Therefore, Li-Cycle will require, as a condition of payment under the KERP, that each KERP Employee acknowledge and agree to maintain confidentiality as to the terms of the KERP, including as to the amount of any payments thereunder.

In addition, given the sensitive and confidential information contained herein, the KERP will be filed as a confidential exhibit in connection with Li-Cycle’s motion for approval of the KERP, and Li-Cycle will seek an Order from the Court sealing same and keeping it out of the public record until further Order of the Court.

Non-Disparagement

The maintenance of the reputation of Li-Cycle and its directors and management is important to ensuring the efficient and effective conduct of the CCAA Proceedings and to achieve a value-maximizing outcome for Li-Cycle’s stakeholders. Therefore, Li-Cycle will require, as a condition of payment under the KERP, that each KERP Employee agree to not in any way disparage or make any negative public statements or comments about Li-Cycle or its directors or management, in writing, orally or otherwise.

Schedule “A” – KERP Employees

See attached.

Tab H

This is Exhibit "**H**" referred to in the
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Confidential Exhibit “H”

**To be sealed pending further
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