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CREDIT AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

**HIGHWOOD ASSET MANAGEMENT LTD.
as Borrower**

AND

**ROYAL BANK OF CANADA
and
ATB FINANCIAL**

**and such other persons as become parties hereto as lenders,
as Lenders**

AND

**ROYAL BANK OF CANADA
as Agent of the Lenders**

MADE AS OF AUGUST 3, 2023

**RBC Capital Markets and ATB Financial
as Co-Lead Arrangers**

**Royal Bank of Canada
as Agent**

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THIS AGREEMENT is made as of August 3, 2023

B E T W E E N:

HIGHWOOD ASSET MANAGEMENT LTD., a corporation subsisting under the laws of the Province of Alberta (hereinafter referred to as the "**Borrower**"),

OF THE FIRST PART,

- and -

ROYAL BANK OF CANADA and **ATB FINANCIAL**, together with such other persons as become parties hereto as lenders (hereinafter sometimes collectively referred to as the "**Lenders**" and sometimes individually referred to as a "**Lender**"),

OF THE SECOND PART,

- and -

ROYAL BANK OF CANADA, a Canadian chartered bank, as agent of the Lenders hereunder (hereinafter referred to as the "**Agent**"),

OF THE THIRD PART.

WHEREAS the Lenders have agreed to provide the Credit Facilities to the Borrower on the terms and conditions herein set forth;

AND WHEREAS the Lenders wish the Agent to act on their behalf with regard to certain matters associated with the Credit Facilities;

NOW THEREFORE THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSES that in consideration of the covenants and agreements herein contained and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby conclusively acknowledged by each of the parties hereto, the parties hereto covenant and agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 – INTERPRETATION

1.1 Definitions

In this Agreement, unless something in the subject matter or context is inconsistent therewith:

"**1080766**" means 1080766 Alberta Ltd., a corporation controlled by Joel MacLeod.

"**Abandonment and Reclamation Report**" means a report pertaining to the ARO Liabilities of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, segmented and in sufficient detail as requested by the Agent, acting reasonably, and which shall include:

- (a) the total number of such wells, categorized between active (producing) and inactive (non-producing) wells, and in each case, segregated between (i) operated and non-operated wells and (ii) gross and net wells;
- (b) ARO Liabilities related to all such wells, segregated between (i) active and inactive wells, (ii) operated and non-operated wells and (iii) gross and net wells;

- (c) ARO Liabilities related to active facilities and pipelines, inactive facilities and pipelines and sites requiring reclamation only;
- (d) an ARO Liabilities model/workbook prepared by the Borrower which reconciles the balance sheet provision for ARO Liabilities in respect of the most recently completed fiscal quarter or fiscal year, as the case may be, of the Borrower to the reporting of ARO Liabilities reported pursuant to subparagraphs (b) and (c) above;
- (e) a list of third-party operators for non-operated wells, facilities and pipelines of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries (including gross number of wells, facilities and pipelines operated by each of them), but excluding any operators operating wells or pipelines comprising less than 5% of total net wells or 5% of pipelines, of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, respectively; and
- (f) a decommissioning budget and schedule of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries.

"**Acceleration**" has the meaning set out in Section 12.10(1).

"**Acceleration Notice**" means a written notice delivered by the Agent to the Borrower pursuant to Section 12.2 declaring all Obligations of the Borrower outstanding hereunder to be due and payable.

"**Additional Compensation**" has the meaning set out in Section 13.3(1).

"**Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR**" means, for any day, an interest rate per annum equal to (a) the Daily Simple SOFR for such day plus (b) the Daily Simple SOFR Adjustment provided that, if Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR as so determined above for any day shall be less than the Floor, such rate shall be deemed to be the Floor for such day.

"**Adjusted Term SOFR**" means, for purposes of any calculation and subject to Section 13.1(1)(a), the rate per annum equal to (a) Term SOFR for such calculation plus (b) the Term SOFR Adjustment; provided that: (i) if the Interest Period with respect to the applicable SOFR Loan is a Non-Standard Interest Period, then the Adjusted Term SOFR shall be the SOFR Interpolated Rate; and (ii) if Adjusted Term SOFR as so determined above for any day shall be less than the Floor, such rate shall be deemed to be the Floor for such day.

"**Adjustment Time**" means the time of occurrence of the last event necessary (including the delivery of a Demand for Payment) to ensure that all Secured Obligations are thereafter due and payable.

"**Advance**" means an advance of funds made by the Lenders or by any one or more of them to the Borrower (including by way of overdraft under the Operating Facility), but does not include any Conversion or Rollover.

"**Affected Financial Institution**" means (a) any EEA Financial Institution or (b) any UK Financial Institution.

"**Affected Loan**" has the meaning set out in Section 13.4.

"**Affiliate**" means any person which, directly or indirectly, controls, is controlled by or is under common control with another person; and, for the purposes of this definition, "control" (including, with correlative meanings, the terms "controlled by" or "under common control with") means the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of any person, whether through the ownership of shares or other economic interests, the holding of voting rights or contractual rights or otherwise.

"**Agency Fee Agreement**" means the agency fee agreement dated August 3, 2023 between the Borrower and the Agent respecting the payment of certain fees and other amounts to the Agent for its own account.

"**Agent's Accounts**" means the following accounts maintained by the Agent to which payments and transfers in respect of the Syndicated Facility under this Agreement are to be effected:

- (a) for Canadian Dollars:

[redacted account information]

(b) for United States Dollars:

[redacted account information]

or such other account or accounts as the Agent may from time to time designate by written notice to the Borrower and the Lenders.

"**Agent Parties**" has the meaning set out in Section 16.16.

"**Aggregate Individual Commitment**" means, in respect of each Lender as at any relevant date of determination, an amount equal to the aggregate Commitments of such Lender under the Credit Facilities.

"**Agreement**" means this credit agreement, as the same may be amended, modified, supplemented or restated from time to time in accordance with the provisions hereof.

"**AML/KYC Legislation**" has the meaning set out in Section 16.17.

"**Anti-Corruption Laws**" means all laws concerning or relating to bribery or public corruption, including the *Corruption of Foreign Public Officials Act* (Canada), the UK Bribery Act, the FCPA and any similar laws currently in force or hereafter enacted (and including any regulations, rules, guidelines or orders thereunder) and, in any case, which are applicable to the Borrower, any Subsidiary, any Lender or Affiliate thereof, or the Agent.

"**Anti-Money Laundering/ Anti-Terrorist Financing Laws**" means all laws concerning or relating to money laundering or terrorist financing, including the *Proceeds of Crime (Money Laundering) and Terrorist Financing Act* (Canada), the *United Nations Act* (Canada), the *Criminal Code* (Canada), the *Bank Secrecy Act*, 31 U.S.C. sections 5301 et seq., the *Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001*, Pub. L. 107-56 (a/k/a the USA Patriot Act), *Laundering of Monetary Instruments*, 18 U.S.C. section 1956, *Engaging in Monetary Transactions in Property Derived from Specified Unlawful Activity*, 18 U.S.C. section 1957, the *Financial Recordkeeping and Reporting of Currency and Foreign Transactions Regulations*, 31 CFR Chapter X (Parts 1000 et. seq.) and any similar laws currently in force or hereafter enacted (and including any regulations, rules, guidelines or orders thereunder) and, in any case, which are applicable to the Borrower, any Subsidiary, any Lender or Affiliate thereof, or the Agent.

"**Applicable CDOR Rate**" means, for the purposes of any calculation, the rate per annum equal to (a) the CDOR Rate or (b) if the Interest Period with respect to the applicable Bankers' Acceptance is a Non-Standard Interest Period, then the Applicable CDOR Rate shall be the CDOR Interpolated Rate.

"**Applicable Laws**" or "**applicable law**" means, in relation to any person, transaction or event:

- (a) all applicable provisions of laws, statutes, rules and regulations from time to time in effect of any Governmental Authority; and
- (b) all Governmental Authorizations to which the person is a party or by which it or its property is bound or having application to the transaction or event.

"Applicable Pricing Rate", as regards any Loan or the standby fees payable in accordance with Section 5.6, means, subject to the provisos to this definition set forth below, when the Consolidated Total Debt to EBITDA Ratio (calculated as at the Quarter End for the most recently completed calendar quarter and for the 12 months ended on such date) is one of the following, the percentage rate per annum set forth opposite such ratio in the row and column applicable to the type of Loan in question or such standby fee:

Consolidated Total Debt to EBITDA Ratio	Margin on Canadian Prime Rate Loans and U.S. Base Rate Loans	Margin on SOFR Loans, Acceptance Fees for Bankers' Acceptances and Issuance Fees for Letters of Credit	Standby Fee on each Credit Facility
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]

provided that:

- (a) the above rates per annum applicable to SOFR Loans are expressed on the basis of a year of 360 days and the above rates per annum applicable to all other Loans are expressed on the basis of a year of 365 days;
- (b) issuance fees for Non-Financial LCs shall be [redacted] of the rate specified above for Letters of Credit; provided that, if any such Non-Financial LC is determined by OSFI or any other applicable Governmental Authority having jurisdiction to not be a Non-Financial LC after the issuance thereof, the foregoing rate for such Non-Financial LC shall be adjusted back to 100% of the rate specified above with retroactive effect to the date of issuance and the incremental issuance fee payable for the period from the date of issuance to the date of such determination by OSFI or such other applicable Governmental Authority shall be payable on the first Banking Day following the Quarter End in which OSFI or such other applicable Governmental Authority makes such determination;
- (c) the above rates per annum applicable to Loans under a Credit Facility shall increase by [redacted] per annum from and after the Term Out Date in respect of such Credit Facility, for certainty, such increase or increases, as applicable, shall not apply to the rates per annum set forth in the column with the heading "Standby Fee on each Credit Facility" in the above table;
- (d) changes in the Applicable Pricing Rate shall be effective in accordance with Section 8.7;
- (e) from the date hereof until the next delivery by the Borrower to the Agent of a Compliance Certificate in accordance with Section 10.1(e)(iv), the initial pricing level shall be based on the Consolidated Total Debt to EBITDA Ratio set forth in the Compliance Certificate delivered pursuant to Section 3.2(i);
- (f) without duplication of interest on overdue amounts as provided in Section 5.8, the above rates per annum applicable to Loans under the Credit Facilities shall increase by [redacted] per annum (for certainty, in addition to any increase pursuant to subparagraph (c) of this definition) during the continuance of any Borrowing Base Shortfall or Event of Default (however, provided that if a Borrowing Base Shortfall or Event of Default no longer exists and the Borrower has paid in advance the increased acceptance fees for the term to maturity of a Bankers' Acceptance, the applicable

Lender will apply the amount of such increase for the remaining term to maturity of such Bankers' Acceptance against future Obligations owing to such Lender); and

- (g) if at any time when calculating the Consolidated Total Debt to EBITDA Ratio, EBITDA for the four quarters of the applicable calculation period is determined to be less than zero, the Consolidated Total Debt to EBITDA Ratio shall be deemed to be greater than 3.00:1.00 for the purposes of determining the Applicable Pricing Rate.

"Approved Fund" means any Fund that is administered or managed by:

- (a) a Lender;
- (b) an Affiliate of a Lender; or
- (c) a person or an Affiliate of a person that administers or manages a Lender.

"Approved Securities" means obligations maturing within one year from their date of purchase or other acquisition by the Borrower or a Subsidiary and which are term deposits, guaranteed investment certificates, certificates of deposit or bearer deposit notes, in each case, of the Agent.

"ARO Liabilities" means, as at any date of determination, the uninflated and undiscounted abandonment and reclamation liabilities and obligations (expressed in nominal dollars) of the Borrower or any Subsidiary in respect of upstream oil and gas wells, facilities, and pipelines, in each case, located in Canada or, if the context requires, any jurisdiction therein.

"ARO Order" means any abandonment, reclamation and/or non-compliance order issued by an Energy Regulator which relates to any assets of the Borrower or any Subsidiary.

"Assigned Interests" has the meaning set out in Section 2.19(5).

"Assignment Agreement" means an assignment agreement substantially in the form of Schedule B annexed hereto, with such modifications thereto as may be required from time to time by the Agent, acting reasonably.

"Available Tenor" means, as of any date of determination and with respect to a then-current Benchmark, as applicable, (a) if such Benchmark is a term rate, any tenor for such Benchmark (or any component thereof) that is or may be used for determining the length of an Interest Period, or (b) otherwise, any payment period for interest calculated with reference to such Benchmark (or any component thereof) that is or may be used for determining any frequency of making payments of interest calculated with reference to such Benchmark pursuant to this Agreement, in each case, as of such date and not including, for the avoidance of doubt, any tenor for such Benchmark that is then-removed from the definition of "Interest Period" pursuant to Section 13.1(4).

"BA Cessation Effective Date" has the meaning set out in Section 13.1(7).

"BA Cessation Notice" has the meaning set out in Section 13.1(7).

"BA Discount Rate" means:

- (a) in relation to a Bankers' Acceptance accepted by a Schedule I Lender and any other Lender that agrees to accept the CDOR Rate, the Applicable CDOR Rate;
- (b) in relation to a Bankers' Acceptance accepted by a Schedule II Lender or Schedule III Lender (other than any such Lender that agrees to accept the CDOR Rate), the lesser of:

- (i) the Discount Rate then applicable to bankers' acceptances, having identical issue and comparable maturity dates as such Bankers' Acceptances, accepted by such Schedule II Lender or Schedule III Lender; and
- (ii) the Applicable CDOR Rate plus [redacted] per annum,

provided that if both such rates are equal or if such Schedule II Lender or Schedule III Lender is not then providing quotations of the Discount Rate as contemplated in (i) above, then the "BA Discount Rate" applicable thereto shall be the rate specified in (ii) above; and

- (c) in relation to a BA Equivalent Advance:
 - (i) made by a Schedule I Lender, ATB Financial or any other Lender that agrees to accept the CDOR Rate, the Applicable CDOR Rate;
 - (ii) made by a Schedule II Lender or a Schedule III Lender (other than any such Lender that agrees to accept the CDOR Rate), the rate determined in accordance with subparagraph (b) of this definition; and
 - (iii) made by any other Lender not included in either (c)(i) or (c)(ii) above, the Applicable CDOR Rate plus [redacted] per annum.

"BA Equivalent Advance" means, in relation to a Drawdown of, Conversion into or Rollover of Bankers' Acceptances, an advance in Canadian Dollars made by a Non-Acceptance Lender as part of such Loan.

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

"Bail-In Legislation" means:

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

"Bankers' Acceptance" means a draft in Canadian Dollars drawn by the Borrower, accepted by a Lender and issued for value pursuant to this Agreement.

"Banking Day" shall mean any day other than a Saturday or a Sunday or a legal holiday on which commercial banks are authorized or required by law to be closed for business in Calgary, Alberta, Toronto, Ontario, New York, New York; provided that, when used in connection with a SOFR Loan, or any other calculation or determination involving SOFR, the term "Banking Day" means any day that is also a U.S. Government Securities Business Day.

"Basel III" means, collectively, the agreements on capital requirements, leverage ratios and liquidity standards contained in "Basel III: A global regulatory framework for more resilient banks and banking systems", "Basel III: International framework for liquidity risk measurement, standards and monitoring" and "Guidance for national authorities operating the countercyclical capital buffer" published by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision in December 2010, each as amended, modified, supplemented, reissued or replaced from time to time, and "Basel III:

The liquidity coverage ratio and liquidity risk monitoring tools" published by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision in January 2013, as amended, modified, supplemented, reissued or replaced from time to time.

"**basis point**" or "**bp**" means one one-hundredth of one percent (0.01%) and "basis points" and "bps" means the plural thereof.

"**Benchmark**" means, initially, (a) in respect of any SOFR Loan, the Term SOFR Reference Rate and (b) in respect of any Bankers' Acceptance or any CAD Benchmark Loan, the CDOR Reference Rate; provided in each case that if a Benchmark Transition Event has occurred with respect to any then-current Benchmark, then "Benchmark" means the applicable Benchmark Replacement to the extent that such Benchmark Replacement has replaced such prior benchmark rate pursuant to Section 13.1(1). Any reference to "Benchmark" shall include, as applicable, the published component used in the calculation thereof.

"**Benchmark Loan**" means (a) any SOFR Loan, provided that if a Benchmark Transition Event has occurred with respect to the Term SOFR Reference Rate or the then-current Benchmark Replacement thereof, then "Benchmark" means the applicable Benchmark Replacement to the extent that such Benchmark Replacement has replaced such prior benchmark rate pursuant to Section 13.1(1); and (b) any CAD Benchmark Loan.

"**Benchmark Replacement**" means, with respect to any Benchmark Transition Event for any then-current Benchmark, the first alternative set forth in the order below that can be determined by, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (as the case may be), for the applicable Benchmark Replacement Date:

- (a) with respect to obligations, interest, fees, commissions or other amounts calculated with respect to the Term SOFR Reference Rate (or any Benchmark replacing the Term SOFR Reference Rate):
 - (i) Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR; or
 - (ii) the sum of: (i) the alternate benchmark rate that has been selected by the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) and the Borrower giving due consideration to (A) any selection or recommendation of a replacement benchmark rate or the mechanism for determining such a rate by the Relevant Governmental Body or (B) any evolving or then-prevailing market convention for determining a benchmark rate as a replacement to the then-current Benchmark for U.S. Dollar-denominated syndicated credit facilities at such time and (ii) the related Benchmark Replacement Adjustment; and
- (b) with respect to obligations, interest, fees, commissions or other amounts calculated with respect to the CDOR Reference Rate (or any Benchmark replacing the CDOR Reference Rate):
 - (i) in respect of the initial replacement of the CDOR Reference Rate contemplated by Section 13.1(1)(b), the first alternative set forth below that can be determined by the Agent:
 - (A) the sum of: (i) Term CORRA and (ii) the applicable CORRA Adjustment, or
 - (B) the sum of: (i) Daily Compounded CORRA and (ii) [redacted] per annum; or
 - (ii) for the purposes of Section 13.1(1)(a), the sum of: (i) the alternate benchmark rate that has been selected by the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) and the Borrower giving due consideration to (A) any selection or recommendation of a replacement benchmark rate or the mechanism for determining such a rate by the Relevant Governmental Body or (B) any evolving or then-prevailing market convention for determining a benchmark rate as a replacement to the then-current Benchmark for syndicated credit facilities denominated in Canadian Dollars and (ii) the related Benchmark Replacement Adjustment,

provided that, if the Benchmark Replacement as so determined above for any day would be less than the Floor, the Benchmark Replacement will be deemed to be the Floor for such day.

"Benchmark Replacement Adjustment" means, with respect to any replacement of any then-current Benchmark with an Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement, the spread adjustment, or method for calculating or determining such spread adjustment, (which may be a positive or negative value or zero) that has been selected by, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent, or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (as the case may be), and the Borrower giving due consideration to (a) any selection or recommendation of a spread adjustment, or method for calculating or determining such spread adjustment, for the replacement of such Benchmark with the applicable Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement by the Relevant Governmental Body and/or (b) any evolving or then-prevailing market convention for determining a spread adjustment, or method for calculating or determining such spread adjustment, for the replacement of such Benchmark with the applicable Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement for U.S. Dollar-denominated or Canadian Dollar-denominated syndicated credit facilities (as applicable) at such time.

"Benchmark Replacement Date" means a date and time determined by, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent, or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (as the case may be), which date shall be no later than the earlier to occur of the following events with respect to any then-current Benchmark:

- (a) in the case of clause (a) or (b) of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event", the later of (i) the date of the public statement or publication of information referenced therein and (ii) the date on which the administrator of such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof) permanently or indefinitely ceases to provide such Benchmark (or such component thereof) or, if such Benchmark is a term rate, all Available Tenors of such Benchmark (or such component thereof); or
- (b) in the case of clause (c) of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event", the first date on which such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof) has been, or, if such Benchmark is a term rate, all Available Tenors of such Benchmark (or such component thereof) have been, determined and announced by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of such Benchmark (or such component thereof) to be non-representative; provided that, such non-representativeness will be determined by reference to the most recent statement or publication referenced in such clause (c) and even if such Benchmark (or such component thereof) or, if such Benchmark is a term rate, any Available Tenor of such Benchmark (or such component thereof), continues to be provided on such date.

For the avoidance of doubt, the "Benchmark Replacement Date" will be deemed to have occurred in the case of clause (a) or (b) above with respect to any Benchmark upon the occurrence of the applicable event or events set forth therein with respect to all then-current Available Tenors of such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof).

"Benchmark Transition Event" means the occurrence of one or more of the following events with respect to any then-current Benchmark:

- (a) a public statement or publication of information by or on behalf of the administrator of such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof) announcing that such administrator has ceased or will cease to provide such Benchmark (or such component thereof) or, if such Benchmark is a term rate, all Available Tenors of such Benchmark (or such component thereof), permanently or indefinitely; provided that, at the time of such statement or publication, there is no successor administrator that will continue to provide such Benchmark (or such component thereof) or, if such Benchmark is a term rate, any Available Tenor of such Benchmark (or such component thereof);
- (b) a public statement or publication of information by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof), the Federal Reserve Board, the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, the Bank of Canada, the administrator of such Benchmark, an insolvency official with jurisdiction over the administrator for such Benchmark

(or such component), a resolution authority with jurisdiction over the administrator for such Benchmark (or such component) or a court or an entity with similar insolvency or resolution authority over the administrator for such Benchmark (or such component), in each case, which states that the administrator of such Benchmark (or such component) has ceased or will cease to provide such Benchmark (or such component thereof) or, if such Benchmark is a term rate, all Available Tenors of such Benchmark (or such component thereof) permanently or indefinitely, provided that, at the time of such statement or publication, there is no successor administrator that will continue to provide such Benchmark (or such component thereof) or, if such Benchmark is a term rate, any Available Tenor of such Benchmark (or such component thereof); or

- (c) a public statement or publication of information by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of such Benchmark (or the published component used in the calculation thereof) announcing that such Benchmark (or such component thereof) or, if such Benchmark is a term rate, all Available Tenors of such Benchmark (or such component thereof) are no longer, or as of a specified future date will no longer be, representative of the underlying market and economic reality that such Benchmark is intended to measure and that representativeness will not be restored.

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

"Benchmark Unavailability Period" means, in respect of any Benchmark, the period (if any) (a) beginning at the time that a Benchmark Replacement Date has occurred in respect of such Benchmark if, at such time, no Benchmark Replacement has replaced such then-current Benchmark for all purposes hereunder and under any other Document in accordance with Section 13.1 and (b) ending at the time that a Benchmark Replacement has replaced such then-current Benchmark for all purposes hereunder and under any other Document in accordance with Section 13.1.

"BHC Act Affiliate" of a party means an "affiliate" (as such term is defined under, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 U.S.C. 1841(k)) of such party.

"BOE/day" means barrels of oil equivalent per day.

"Borrowing Base" means the aggregate principal limit for Loans under the Credit Facilities (expressed in Canadian Dollars) established from time to time by the Lenders in accordance with Section 2.22, taking into consideration their assessment of the lending value of the proved, developed, producing reserves which are located in Canada and the United States of the Borrower and the Material Subsidiaries. For certainty, the Lenders' assessment of the lending value as aforesaid may take into account the ARO Liabilities of the Borrower and the Borrower's Subsidiaries and the Borrower's and its Subsidiaries' shut-in production (both actual and anticipated).

"Borrowing Base Notice" has the meaning set out in Section 2.22(1).

"Borrowing Base Properties" means P&NG Rights included by the Lenders in the determination of the Borrowing Base (including any related P&NG Leases and related facilities, infrastructure or other tangibles).

"Borrowing Base Shortfall" means the amount (if any) by which the Outstanding Principal of the Credit Facilities exceeds the amount of the Borrowing Base set forth in the most recently delivered Borrowing Base Notice (for certainty, whether the determination of the Borrowing Base set forth in such Borrowing Base Notice is yet in effect pursuant to Section 2.22 or not).

"Boulder" means Boulder Energy Ltd.

"Boulder Acquisition Agreement" means the share purchase agreement made as of July 5, 2023 among the Borrower and West Lake Energy Corp.

"Boulder Transaction" means the acquisition by the Borrower of all of the issued and outstanding shares of Boulder pursuant to the terms of the Boulder Acquisition Agreement, together with the transactions contemplated pursuant to the Boulder VTB.

"Boulder VTB" means that certain unsecured promissory note due July 1, 2025 issued by the Borrower in favour of West Lake Energy Corp. in the aggregate principal amount of up to [redacted - dollar amount].

"Boulder VTB Subordination Agreement" means a subordination agreement among West Lake Energy Corp., Joel MacLeod and the Agent on behalf of itself, the Lenders, the Cash Managers and the Hedging Affiliates, in form and substance satisfactory to the Agent and all of the Lenders.

"CAD Benchmark Loans" has the meaning given to it in the definition of "Conforming Changes".

"Canadian Dollars" or **"Canadian \$"** or **"Cdn.\$"** or **"\$"** each means such currency of Canada which, as at the time of payment or determination, is legal tender in Canada for the payment of public or private debts.

"Canadian Prime Rate" means, for any day, the greater of:

- (a) the rate of interest per annum established from time to time by the Agent or the Operating Lender, as the case may be, as the reference rate of interest for the determination of interest rates that the Agent or the Operating Lender, as the case may be, will charge to customers in Canada for Canadian Dollar demand loans in Canada; and
- (b) the one month CDOR Rate in effect on such day, plus [redacted] per annum,

provided that (i) if both such rates are equal or if such one-month CDOR Rate in effect on such day is unavailable for any reason on any date of determination, then the "Canadian Prime Rate" shall be the rate specified in subparagraph (a) above and (ii) if the rate determined as aforesaid shall ever be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed to be the Floor for purposes of this Agreement.

"Canadian Prime Rate Loan" means an Advance in, or Conversion into, Canadian Dollars made by the Lenders (or any one of them) to the Borrower with respect to which the Borrower has specified or a provision hereof requires that interest is to be calculated by reference to the Canadian Prime Rate.

"Capital Adequacy Requirements" means the Guideline dated January 2017, entitled "Capital Adequacy Requirements (CAR)" issued by OSFI and all other guidelines or requirements relating to capital adequacy issued by OSFI or any other Governmental Authority regulating or having jurisdiction with respect to any Lender, as amended, modified, supplemented, reissued or replaced from time to time.

"Capital Expenditures" means capital expenditures (including expenditures for expansions, acquisitions of assets and maintenance capital expenditures) as identified in the Operating Budget as "Capital Expenditures".

"Cash Collateral" has the meaning set out in Section 2.16.

"Cash Collateral Account" has the meaning set out in Section 2.16.

"Cash Equivalents" means, without duplication, as to any person:

- (a) Canadian Dollars or United States Dollars;
- (b) securities issued by or directly and fully guaranteed or insured by the federal governments of Canada or the United States of America or any agency or instrumentality thereof (provided that the full faith and credit of the federal governments of Canada or the United States is pledged in support of those securities) having maturities of not more than 365 days from the date of acquisition;

- (c) certificates of deposit, guaranteed investment certificates and eurodollar time deposits with maturities of 365 days or less from the date of acquisition, bankers' acceptances or bearer deposit notes with maturities not exceeding 365 days and overnight bank deposits, in each case, with the Agent, any Lender or with any United States commercial bank or any Canadian chartered bank (or comparable financial institution, including ATB Financial) having capital and surplus in excess of Cdn.\$500,000,000 and a senior unsecured rating of "A-" or better by S&P and "A3" or better by Moody's;
- (d) repurchase obligations with a term of not more than seven days for underlying securities of the types described in subparagraphs (b) and (c) above entered into with any financial institution meeting the qualifications specified in subparagraph (c) above;
- (e) commercial paper rated at least P-1 by Moody's or A-1 by S&P or at least R-1 by DBRS and in each case maturing within 365 days after the date of acquisition; and
- (f) money market funds at least 95% of the assets of which constitute Cash Equivalents of the kinds described in subparagraphs (a) through (e) of this definition.

"Cash Management Arrangements" means any arrangement entered into or to be entered into by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries with a Cash Manager for or in respect of cash management services for the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, including mirror accounting arrangements, account positioning arrangements, pooled accounts, netting arrangements across accounts, centralized operating accounts, automated clearing house transactions, controlled disbursement services, treasury, depository, overdraft and electronic funds transfer services, foreign exchange facilities, currency exchange transactions or agreements and options with respect thereto, credit card processing services, credit or debit cards, purchase cards and any indemnity given in connection with any of the foregoing.

"Cash Management Documents" means, collectively, all agreements, instruments and other documents which evidence, establish, govern or relate to any or all of the Cash Management Arrangements.

"Cash Management Obligations" means, at any time and from time to time, all of the obligations, indebtedness and liabilities (present or future, absolute or contingent, matured or not) of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries to each Cash Manager under, pursuant or relating to the Cash Management Arrangements and the Cash Management Documents and whether the same are from time to time reduced and thereafter increased or entirely extinguished and thereafter incurred again and including all principal, interest, fees, legal and other costs, charges and expenses, and other amounts payable by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries under the Cash Management Arrangements and the Cash Management Documents; in any event, and notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Cash Management Obligations shall include the obligations, indebtedness and liabilities of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries to each Cash Manager for or in relation to each of the following:

- (a) daylight credit associated with wire transfers;
- (b) daylight credit associated with inter-account transfers; and
- (c) daylight credit for foreign exchange settlement.

"Cash Manager" means each Lender which, from time to time, is a provider of Cash Management Arrangements to the Borrower and its Subsidiaries and which includes Royal Bank of Canada on the date hereof.

"Castlegate" means Castlegate Energy Ltd.

"Castlegate Acquisition Agreement" means the share purchase agreement made as of July 5, 2023 among the Borrower, Castlegate and the shareholders of Castlegate.

"Castlegate Transaction" means the acquisition by the Borrower of all of the issued and outstanding shares of Castlegate pursuant to the terms of the Castlegate Acquisition Agreement.

"**Casualty Event**" means, with respect to any property or assets of the Borrower and any of its Subsidiaries, any casualty of, loss of, destruction of, damage to or rendering unfit for normal use for any reason whatsoever of, such property or assets.

"**CDOR Cessation Date**" has the meaning set out in Section 13.1(1)(b).

"**CDOR Interpolated Rate**" means, for any Bankers' Acceptance to be issued with a Non-Standard Interest Period, the rate per annum determined by, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent, or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (as the case may be) (which determination shall be conclusive and binding absent manifest error) to be equal to the rate that results from interpolating on a linear basis between: (a) the CDOR Rate for the longest Interest Period that is not a Non-Standard Interest Period for which the CDOR Rate is available that is shorter than the Non-Standard Interest Period for such Bankers' Acceptance; and (b) the CDOR Rate for the shortest Interest Period that is not a Non-Standard Interest Period for which the CDOR Rate is available that exceeds the Non-Standard Interest Period for such Bankers' Acceptance, in each case, at such time; provided that, when determining the CDOR Interpolated Rate for a Non-Standard Interest Period which is less than one month, the CDOR Interpolated Rate shall be deemed to be the one-month CDOR Rate then in effect.

"**CDOR Rate**" means, on any day for any Interest Period, the per annum rate of interest which is equal to the CDOR Reference Rate for such Interest Period displayed on the Refinitiv Screen CDOR Page as at approximately 10:15 a.m. (Toronto time) on the first day of such Interest Period, or if such day is not a Banking Day, then on the immediately preceding Banking Day (as adjusted by the Agent or the Operating Lender, as the case may be, in good faith after 10:15 a.m. (Toronto time) to reflect any error in a posted rate of interest or in the posted average annual rate of interest); provided that:

- (a) subject to Section 13.1, if such rate does not appear on the Refinitiv Screen CDOR Page or is not otherwise available for any reason, then the CDOR Rate, on any day, shall be the discount rate quoted by the Agent or the Operating Lender, as the case may be (determined as of approximately 10:15 a.m. (Toronto time) on such day) which would be applicable in respect of an issue of bankers' acceptances in a comparable amount and with comparable maturity dates to such Interest Period and the Bankers' Acceptances proposed to be issued by the Borrower on such day, or if such day is not a Banking Day, then on the immediately preceding Banking Day;
- (b) each determination of the CDOR Rate shall be conclusive and binding, absent manifest error, and be computed using any reasonable averaging and attribution method; and
- (c) if such rate is less than the Floor then the CDOR Rate shall be deemed to be the Floor for all purposes of this Agreement.

"**CDOR Reference Rate**" means a rate per annum equal to the Canadian Dollar offered rate as administered by RBSL.

"**CFR**" means the *Code of Federal Regulations* (United States).

"**Change of Control**" means and shall be deemed to have occurred if and when:

- (a) a person or a combination of persons, acting jointly or in concert (within the meaning of the *Securities Act* (Alberta)), acquires Voting Securities of the Borrower which, together with all other Voting Securities of the Borrower held by such persons, constitute in the aggregate more than 50% of all outstanding Voting Securities of the Borrower (regardless of whether such person or persons are owned or controlled by the same persons which owned or controlled such Voting Securities of the Borrower);
- (b) at any time Joel MacLeod (directly or indirectly through one or more persons which are Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries of Joel MacLeod) ceases to own and control Voting Securities of the Borrower which, together with all other Voting Securities of the Borrower held by such persons, constitute in the aggregate less than 20% of all outstanding Voting Securities of the Borrower;

- (c) other than in the case of an Excluded Replacement, individuals who were elected as members of the board of directors of the Borrower by the most recent resolutions of the shareholders of the Borrower shall no longer constitute a majority of the board of directors of the Borrower at any time prior to the next following resolutions of the shareholders of the Borrower relating to the election of the same; or
- (d) other than in the case of an Excluded Replacement, individuals who were members of the board of directors of the Borrower immediately prior to resolutions of the shareholders of the Borrower relating to the election of directors shall not constitute a majority of the board of directors following such election.

"**clearing house**" has the meaning set out in Section 6.4.

"**Closing Date**" means the date on which the conditions to effectiveness of this Agreement set forth in Section 3.2 have been satisfied (or, for certainty, waived in accordance with Section 3.3).

"**Co-Lead Arrangers**" means Royal Bank of Canada carrying on business under the trade name "RBC Capital Markets" and ATB Financial.

"**Code**" means the *Internal Revenue Code of 1986* (United States).

"**Collateral**" has the meaning set out in Section 11.1.

"**Collateral Investments**" has the meaning set out in Section 2.16(2).

"**Commitment**" means a Syndicated Facility Commitment or the Operating Facility Commitment.

"**Commodity Agreement**" means any agreement for the making or taking of delivery of any commodity (including Petroleum Substances and electricity), any commodity swap agreement, floor, cap or collar agreement or commodity future, forward, derivative or option transaction or other similar agreement or arrangement, or any combination thereof, entered into by the Borrower or a Subsidiary thereof where the subject matter of the same is any commodity or the price, value or amount payable thereunder is dependent or based upon the price of any commodity or fluctuations in the price of any commodity, but shall not include any agreement for the making or taking of physical delivery of any commodity (including Petroleum Substances and electricity) in the ordinary course of business or the physical purchase or sale of any commodity (including Petroleum Substances and electricity) by the Borrower or a Subsidiary thereof entered into in the ordinary course of business unless either (a) such agreement is with a bank, investment bank, securities dealer, insurance company, trust company, pension fund, institutional investor or any other financial institution or any Affiliate of any of the foregoing, but excluding any physical sales made to any such person where the sale is made on a floating price based on current market prices and where the sale is not entered into for the purposes described in (b) of this definition, or (b) such agreement is entered into for hedging purposes or otherwise for the purpose of eliminating or reducing the financial risk or exposure of the Borrower or a Subsidiary thereof to fluctuations in the prices of commodities (including Petroleum Substances and electricity) (and, for certainty, any such agreement referred to in (a) or (b) of this definition shall constitute a "Commodity Agreement" for all purposes hereof).

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

"**Communications**" has the meaning set out in Section 16.16.

"**Compliance Certificate**" means a certificate of the Borrower signed on its behalf by any one of the president, chief financial officer, chief operating officer, a vice president or corporate secretary of the Borrower, substantially in the form annexed hereto as Schedule C, to be given to the Agent and the Lenders by the Borrower pursuant hereto.

"**Conforming Changes**" means, with respect to either the use or administration of Term SOFR or Adjusted Term SOFR, or the Applicable CDOR Rate or CDOR Rate, or the use, administration, adoption or implementation of any Benchmark Replacement, any technical, administrative or operational changes (including changes to the definitions of "Canadian Prime Rate", "Applicable CDOR Rate", "CDOR Rate", "U.S. Base Rate", "Banking Day", "U.S. Government Securities Business Day", "Bankers' Acceptances", "Interest Period" or any similar or analogous

definition (or the addition of a concept of "interest period") in respect of the foregoing, "Interest Payment Date" or any similar or analogous definition in respect of the foregoing, the timing and frequency of determining rates and making payments of interest, the timing of Drawdown Notices, Conversion Notices, Repayment Notices or Rollover Notices, the applicability and length of lookback periods, the applicability of Section 2.16, Section 13.1 and other technical, administrative or operational matters, including with respect to the obligation of the Agent and the Lenders to create, maintain or issue Bankers' Acceptances) that, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (as the case may be) decides, acting reasonably, may be appropriate to reflect the adoption and implementation of any such rate or to permit the use and administration thereof by, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent, or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (as the case may be) in a manner substantially consistent with market practice (or if, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent, or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (as the case may be) decides that adoption of any portion of such market practice is not administratively feasible or if, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent, or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (as the case may be) determines that no market practice for the administration of any such rate exists, in such other manner of administration as, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent, or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (as the case may be) decides, acting reasonably, is necessary in connection with the administration of this Agreement and the other Documents). Without limiting the foregoing, Conforming Changes made in connection with the replacement of the CDOR Rate or the CDOR Reference Rate with a Benchmark Replacement may include the implementation of mechanics for borrowing loans that bear interest by reference to the Benchmark Replacement for the CDOR Rate or the CDOR Reference Rate, to replace the creation or purchase of drafts or Bankers' Acceptances (such loans, "**CAD Benchmark Loans**").

"**Consolidated Assets**" means, on any date of determination, the assets of the Borrower determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

"**Consolidated Senior Debt**" means, as at the date of determination, all Debt of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries determined on a consolidated basis and excluding Debt consisting of the Boulder VTB, so long as such Debt is subject to the Boulder VTB Subordination Agreement.

"**Consolidated Senior Debt to EBITDA Ratio**" means, as at any Quarter End, the ratio of (a) Consolidated Senior Debt as at such Quarter End to (b) EBITDA for the 12 months ending as at such Quarter End; provided that, EBITDA is to be calculated on an annualized basis for the first three Quarter Ends of the Borrower following the Closing Date, using: (a) in the case of the Quarter End ending September 30, 2023, such Quarter End's EBITDA, multiplied by four; (b) in the case of the Quarter End ending December 31, 2023, the aggregate of such Quarter End's EBITDA and the immediately preceding Quarter End's EBITDA, multiplied by two; and (c) in the case of the Quarter End ending March 31, 2024, the aggregate of such Quarter End's EBITDA and the two immediately preceding Quarter End's EBITDA, multiplied by four-thirds.

"**Consolidated Total Debt to EBITDA Ratio**" means, as at a Quarter End, the ratio of (a) all Debt of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries determined on a consolidated basis as at such Quarter End to (b) EBITDA for the 12 months ending as at such Quarter End; provided that, EBITDA is to be calculated on an annualized basis for the first three Quarter Ends of the Borrower following the Closing Date, using: (a) in the case of the Quarter End ending September 30, 2023, such Quarter End's EBITDA, multiplied by four; (b) in the case of the Quarter End ending December 31, 2023, the aggregate of such Quarter End's EBITDA and the immediately preceding Quarter End's EBITDA, multiplied by two; and (c) in the case of the Quarter End ending March 31, 2024, the aggregate of such Quarter End's EBITDA and the two immediately preceding Quarter End's EBITDA, multiplied by four-thirds.

"**Conversion**" means a conversion or deemed conversion of a Loan under a given Credit Facility into another type of Loan under the same Credit Facility pursuant to the provisions hereof, provided that, subject to Section 2.7 and to Article 6 with respect to Bankers' Acceptances, the conversion of a Loan denominated in one currency to a Loan denominated in another currency shall be effected by (a) repayment of the Loan or portion thereof being converted in the currency in which it was denominated and (b) re-advance to the Borrower of the Loan into which such conversion was made.

"Conversion Date" means the date specified by the Borrower as being the date on which the Borrower has elected to convert, or this Agreement requires the conversion of, one type of Loan under a given Credit Facility into another type of Loan under the same Credit Facility and which shall be a Banking Day.

"Conversion Notice" means a notice substantially in the form annexed hereto as Schedule D to be given to the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) by the Borrower pursuant hereto.

"CORRA" means the Canadian Overnight Repo Rate Average administered and published by the Bank of Canada (or any successor administrator).

"CORRA Adjustment" means [redacted] *per annum* for an Available Tenor of one-month's duration, and [redacted] *per annum* for an Available Tenor of three-months' duration.

"Covered Entity" means any of the following:

- (a) a "covered entity" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 CFR § 252.82(b);
- (b) a "covered bank" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 CFR § 47.3(b);
or
- (c) a "covered FSI" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 CFR § 382.2(b).

"Covered Party" has the meaning set out in Section 11.11(2).

"CPA" means CPA Canada or any successor thereto.

"Credit Facilities" means, collectively, the Syndicated Facility and the Operating Facility, and **"Credit Facility"** means any one of such credit facilities.

"Currency Excess" has the meaning set out in Section 2.17(1).

"Currency Excess Deficiency" has the meaning set out in Section 2.17(2).

"Currency Hedging Agreement" means any currency swap agreement, cross currency agreement, forward agreement, floor, cap or collar agreement, future, derivative or option transaction, insurance or other similar agreement or arrangement, or any combination thereof, entered into by the Borrower or a Subsidiary thereof where the subject matter of the same is currency exchange rates or the price, value or amount payable thereunder is dependent or based upon currency exchange rates or fluctuations in currency exchange rates as in effect from time to time.

"Daily Compounded CORRA" means, for any day in an Interest Period, CORRA with interest accruing on a compounded daily basis, with the methodology and conventions for this rate (which will include compounding in arrears with a lookback) being established by, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent, or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender, in accordance with the methodology and conventions for this rate selected or recommended by the Relevant Governmental Body for determining compounded CORRA for business loans; provided that if the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) decides that any such methodology or convention is not administratively feasible for the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be), then the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) may establish another methodology or convention in its discretion, acting reasonably; and provided further that if the administrator has not provided or published CORRA and a Benchmark Transition Event with respect to CORRA has not occurred, then, in respect of any day for which CORRA is required, references to CORRA will be deemed to be references to the last provided or published CORRA.

"Daily Simple SOFR" means, for any day, a rate per annum equal to SOFR for the day, with the conventions for this rate (which will include a lookback) being established by, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent, or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (as the case may be), in accordance with the conventions for this rate selected or recommended by the Relevant Governmental Body for determining "Daily Simple SOFR" for

syndicated business loans; provided that, if the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) decides that any such convention is not administratively feasible for the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be), then the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) may establish another convention in its discretion, acting reasonably.

"Daily Simple SOFR Adjustment" means, with respect to Daily Simple SOFR, [redacted] per annum.

"DBNA" has the meaning set out in Section 6.4.

"DBRS" means DBRS Limited and any successors thereto.

"Debt" means, with respect to any person ("X"), without duplication:

- (a) indebtedness of X and its Subsidiaries for borrowed money;
- (b) obligations of X and its Subsidiaries arising pursuant or in relation to: (i) bankers' acceptances (including payment and reimbursement obligations in respect thereof), or (ii) letters of credit and letters of guarantee (including indemnities issued in connection therewith) relating to the indebtedness or other obligations of any other person which would otherwise constitute Debt within the meaning of this definition if such other person was X (including undrawn letters of credit);
- (c) obligations of X and its Subsidiaries with respect to unreimbursed drawings under all other letters of credit and letters of guarantee;
- (d) obligations of X and its Subsidiaries under Guarantees, indemnities, assurances, legally binding comfort letters or other contingent obligations, in each case, relating to the indebtedness or other obligations of any other person which would otherwise constitute Debt within the meaning of this definition if such other person was X and all Financial Assistance, including endorsements of bills of exchange (other than for collection or deposit in the ordinary course of business);
- (e) (i) all Purchase Money Obligations and (ii) all obligations of X and its Subsidiaries created or arising under any conditional sales agreement or other title retention agreement which is not a lease;
- (f) all (i) Finance Lease Obligations and (ii) indebtedness or obligations arising from Sale-Leasebacks, in each case, of X and its Subsidiaries;
- (g) all indebtedness of X and its Subsidiaries representing the deferred purchase price of any property to the extent that such indebtedness is or remains unpaid after the expiry of the customary time period for payment, provided however that such time period shall in no event exceed 90 days and excluding (in all cases) customary purchase price adjustments related to acquisitions;
- (h) Prepaid Obligations of X and its Subsidiaries;
- (i) all other long-term obligations (including the current portion thereof) upon which interest charges are customarily paid prior to default by X; and
- (j) all indebtedness or other obligations of any other person which would otherwise constitute Debt within the meaning of this definition if such other person was X, secured by a Security Interest on any asset of X and its Subsidiaries, whether or not such indebtedness is assumed thereby; provided that the amount of such indebtedness shall be the lesser of (i) the fair market value of such asset at such date of determination, and (ii) the amount of such indebtedness shall only be Debt to the extent recorded as a liability in accordance with GAAP,

provided that, unless otherwise expressly provided or the context otherwise requires, references herein to "Debt" shall be and shall be deemed to be references to Debt of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for the purposes of this Agreement.

"Default" means any event or condition which, with the giving of notice, lapse of time or upon a declaration or determination being made (or any combination thereof), would constitute an Event of Default.

"Default Right" has the meaning assigned to that term in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 CFR §§ 252.81, 47.2 or 382.1, as applicable.

"Defaulting Lender" means any Lender:

- (a) that has failed to fund any payment or its portion of any Loans required to be made by it hereunder or to purchase any participation required to be purchased by it hereunder and under the other Documents;
- (b) that has notified the Borrower, the Agent or any Lender (verbally or in writing) that it does not intend to or is unable to comply with any of its funding obligations under this Agreement or has made a public statement to that effect or to the effect that it does not intend to or is unable to fund advances generally under credit arrangements to which it is a party;
- (c) that has failed, within 3 Banking Days after written request by the Agent or the Borrower, to confirm in writing to the Agent and the Borrower that it will comply with the terms of this Agreement relating to its obligations to fund prospective Loans (for certainty, unless and until such Lender has provided such written confirmation);
- (d) that has otherwise failed to pay over to the Agent, the Fronting Lender or any other Lender any other amount required to be paid by it hereunder within 3 Banking Days of the date when due, unless the subject of a good faith dispute;
- (e) that has, or that has a Lender Parent that has, become the subject of a Bail-In Action;
- (f) in respect of which a Lender Insolvency Event or a Lender Distress Event has occurred in respect of such Lender or its Lender Parent; or
- (g) that is generally in default of its obligations under other existing credit or loan documentation under which it has commitments to extend credit.

"Defaulting Lender Exposure" has the meaning set out in Section 15.14(5).

"Demand for Payment" means an Acceleration Notice or a Financial Instrument Demand for Payment.

"Departing Agent" has the meaning set out in Section 11.8.

"Designated Material Subsidiary" means a Subsidiary which is designated as a Material Subsidiary pursuant to Section 11.1(4) and which would not otherwise fall within part (a), (b), (c), (d) or (e) of the definition of "Material Subsidiary".

"Discount Proceeds" means the net cash proceeds payable to the Borrower from the sale of a Bankers' Acceptance pursuant hereto or, in the case of BA Equivalent Advances, the amount of a BA Equivalent Advance at the BA Discount Rate, in any case, before deduction or payment of the acceptance fees to be paid to the Lenders under Section 6.2.

"Discount Rate" means, with respect to the issuance of a Bankers' Acceptance, the rate of interest per annum, calculated on the basis of a year of 365 days, (rounded upwards, if necessary, to the nearest whole multiple of 1/100th of one percent) which is equal to the discount exacted by a purchaser taking initial delivery of such Bankers' Acceptance, calculated as a rate per annum and as if the issuer thereof received the discount proceeds in respect of such Bankers' Acceptance on its date of issuance and had repaid the respective face amount of such Bankers' Acceptance on the maturity date thereof.

"Disposition" means a sale, transfer, lease, assignment or other disposition of, or the grant or creation of an *in rem* right or interest in, to or against, any property or assets (and including, for certainty, the grant or creation of any gross overriding royalty or other right or interest in, to or against any P&NG Rights which is or purports to be an interest in land), and **"Dispose"** shall have a correlative meaning thereto.

"Dissenting Lender" has the meaning set out in Section 2.21.

"Distribution" means:

- (a) the declaration, payment or setting aside for payment of any dividend or other distribution on or in respect of any Equity Interests in the Borrower or any Subsidiary which is not a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary (including any return of capital);
- (b) the redemption, retraction, purchase, retirement, defeasance, discharge or other acquisition, in whole or in part, of any Equity Interest in the capital of, or any return of capital of or by (or any other return or distribution by or from), the Borrower or any Subsidiary which is not a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary or any securities, instruments or contractual rights capable of being converted into, exchanged or exercised for Equity Interests thereof, including options, warrants, conversion or exchange privileges and similar rights;
- (c) the making of any loan or advance or any other provision of credit or Financial Assistance by the Borrower or any Subsidiary to any Related Party other than to the Borrower or a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary;
- (d) the payment or discharge of any principal, interest, fees or other amounts on or in respect of any loans, advances or other Debt (including, for certainty, obligations owing under the Boulder VTB) owing at any time by the Borrower or any Subsidiary to any Related Party, other than to the Borrower or a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary; or
- (e) (i) the payment or discharge of any other amount, (ii) the Disposition of any property or assets, or (iii) any granting or creation of any rights or interests, at any time, by the Borrower or any Subsidiary to or in favour of any Related Party (other than to or in favour of the Borrower or a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary), in each case, for consideration less than its or their fair market value or otherwise on terms and conditions which are materially less favourable to the Borrower or such Subsidiary (as applicable) than which would have been obtained on an arm's length basis,

and whether any of the foregoing is made, paid or satisfied with or for cash, property or any combination thereof.

"Documents" means this Agreement, the Agency Fee Agreement, the Security, any Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement, any Royalty Subordination Agreements, the Boulder VTB Subordination Agreement and all certificates, notices, instruments and other agreements or documents delivered or to be delivered by the Borrower or a Subsidiary to the Agent, the Lenders, a Fronting Lender, the Operating Lender, or any combination of the foregoing, in relation to the Credit Facilities pursuant hereto or thereto and, when used in relation to any person, the term "Documents" shall mean and refer to the Documents executed and delivered by such person.

"Drafts" means drafts, bills of exchange, receipts, acceptances, demands and other requests for payment drawn or issued under a Letter of Credit.

"Drawdown" means:

- (a) an Advance of a Canadian Prime Rate Loan, U.S. Base Rate Loan or SOFR Loan;
- (b) the issue of Bankers' Acceptances (or the making of a BA Equivalent Advance in lieu thereof) other than as a result of Conversions or Rollovers; or

(c) the issue of a Letter of Credit,

but, for certainty, does not include a Conversion or a Rollover.

"Drawdown Date" means the date on which a Drawdown is made by the Borrower pursuant to the provisions hereof and which shall be a Banking Day.

"Drawdown Notice" means a notice substantially in the form annexed hereto as Schedule E to be given to the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) by the Borrower pursuant hereto.

"EBITDA" of the Borrower in any period, means on a consolidated basis, the Net Income for such period, plus (in each case, on a consolidated basis and without duplication):

- (a) Interest Expense, to the extent deducted in determining Net Income;
- (a) all amounts deducted in the calculation of Net Income in respect of the provision for income taxes (in accordance with GAAP), including any interest and penalties thereon;
- (b) all amounts deducted in the calculation of Net Income in respect of non-cash items, including depreciation, depletion, amortization, future taxes, foreign currency obligations and any other non-cash items deducted in the calculation of Net Income for such period;
- (c) all amounts deducted in the calculation of Net Income in respect of: (i) minority equity losses or attributable to minority interests, (ii) actual cash expenditures resulting from or attributable to one-time, extraordinary or non-recurring transactions or matters, including such expenditures funded from the proceeds of insurance (other than proceeds from business interruption insurance), (iii) any non-cash impairment charges, and (iv) any other non-cash charges;
- (d) to the extent deducted in the calculation of Net Income, non-cash losses resulting from marking-to-market the outstanding Financial Instruments of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for such period in accordance with GAAP;
- (e) all amounts deducted in the calculation of Net Income in respect of share-based compensation; and
- (f) all amounts which would otherwise constitute EBITDA which are attributable to (i) assets acquired in such period or (ii) Equity Interests in a person which becomes a Subsidiary acquired in such period (as if such assets or Equity Interests were owned during the whole of such period), if, but only if, such acquisition constitutes a Material Acquisition, all as if the Material Acquisition was completed on the first day of such period;

less (in each case, on a consolidated basis and without duplication):

- (g) all amounts included in the calculation of Net Income in respect of minority equity income or attributable to minority interests and revenue of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries resulting from or attributable to one-time, extraordinary or non-recurring transactions or matters, including revenue from gains on sale, Hedge Monetizations or proceeds of insurance (other than proceeds from business interruption insurance);
- (h) to the extent included in Net Income, non-cash gains resulting from asset sales;
- (i) to the extent included in Net Income, non-cash gains resulting from marking-to-market the outstanding Financial Instruments of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for such period in accordance with GAAP;

- (j) any amount which would have otherwise been added back in computing EBITDA pursuant to subparagraphs (a) and (c) above in respect of leases which are not Finance Leases;
- (k) cash payments in respect of non-cash items and charges added back in computing EBITDA in prior periods; and
- (l) EBITDA attributable to (i) assets Disposed of in such period or (ii) Equity Interests in a Subsidiary Disposed of in such period, if, but only if, such sale, transfer or other Disposition constitutes a Material Disposition, all as if the Material Disposition was completed on the first day of such period.

"EEA Financial Institution" means:

- (a) any credit institution or investment firm established in any EEA Member Country which is subject to the supervision of an EEA Resolution Authority;
- (b) any entity established in an EEA Member Country which is a parent of an institution described in subparagraph (a) of this definition; or
- (c) any institution established in an EEA Member Country which is a subsidiary of an institution described in subparagraph (a) or (b) of this definition and is subject to consolidated supervision with its parent.

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

"EEA Resolution Authority" means any public administrative authority or any person entrusted with public administrative authority of any EEA Member Country (including any delegee) having responsibility for the resolution of any EEA Financial Institution.

"Energy Regulator" means (a) with respect to Alberta, the Alberta Energy Regulator, (b) with respect to British Columbia, the BC Oil and Gas Commission, (c) with respect to Saskatchewan, the Saskatchewan Ministry of Energy and Resources, and (d) with respect to any other Relevant Jurisdiction, the regulatory body with responsibility for the oversight of environmental matters in the oil and gas industry in such jurisdiction; and in each case, together with any successor agency, department, ministry or commission thereto.

"Energy Regulator Demand for Deposit" means any demand to post security deposits issued by an Energy Regulator to the Borrower or any Subsidiary in order to ensure compliance with the Liability Management Rating required by such Energy Regulator in a Relevant Jurisdiction (excluding, for certainty, any security deposits which are mandatorily required to be provided by owners of P&NG Rights or P&NG Leases without regard to any Liability Management Rating deficiency or similar abandonment and reclamation obligation deficiency).

"Engineering Report" means a report (in form and substance satisfactory to the Majority of the Lenders, acting reasonably) prepared by the Independent Engineer or Independent Engineers, as the case may be, respecting the reserves of Petroleum Substances attributable to the assets and undertakings of the Borrower and its Material Subsidiaries, which report shall, as of the effective date of such report, set forth, *inter alia*, (a) the proved, developed, producing reserves of Petroleum Substances, (b) the proved, developed nonproducing reserves of Petroleum Substances, (c) the proved and undeveloped reserves of Petroleum Substances and (d) the probable reserves of Petroleum Substances, in each case, attributable to the assets and undertakings of the Borrower and its Material Subsidiaries and, for each ensuing 12 month period following the effective date of such report: anticipated rates of production, depletion and reinjection of Petroleum Substances; Crown, freehold and overriding royalties and freehold mineral taxes with respect to Petroleum Substances produced from or attributable to such assets and undertakings; production, revenue, value-added, wellhead or severance Taxes with respect to Petroleum Substances produced from or attributable to such assets and undertakings; operating costs; gathering, transporting, processing, marketing and storage fees payable with respect to Petroleum Substances produced from or attributable to such assets and undertakings; capital expenditures expected to be necessary to achieve anticipated rates of production; and net cash

flow with respect to such assets and undertakings, including all revenues, expenses and expenditures described above; but not, for greater certainty, any overhead recoveries or operators' fees or charges from third parties.

"Environmental Claims" means any and all administrative, regulatory or judicial actions, suits, demands, claims, liens, notices of non-compliance or violation, investigations, inspections, inquiries or proceedings relating in any way to any Environmental Laws or to any permit issued under any such Environmental Laws including:

- (a) any claim by a Governmental Authority for enforcement, clean up, removal, response, remedial or other actions or damages pursuant to any Environmental Laws; and
- (b) any claim by a person seeking damages, contribution, indemnification, cost recovery, compensation or injunctive or other relief resulting from or relating to Hazardous Materials, including any Release thereof, or arising from alleged injury or threat of injury to human health or safety (arising from environmental matters) or the environment.

"Environmental Laws" means all Applicable Laws with respect to the environment or environmental or public health and safety matters contained in statutes, regulations, rules, ordinances, orders, judgments, approvals, notices, permits or policies, guidelines or directives having the force of law.

"Equity Interests" means, with respect to any person:

- (a) shares in the capital of such person or partnership units, partnership interests, member interests, trust interests or other ownership or profit interests in, to and of such person;
- (b) warrants, options or other rights for the purchase or other acquisition from such person of shares or any of the other interests referred to in subparagraph (a) above of such person; and
- (c) securities convertible into or exchangeable for shares or any of the other interests referred to in subparagraph (a) above of such person or warrants, rights or options for the purchase or other acquisition from such person of any such shares or such other interests referred to in subparagraph (a) above,

whether voting or non-voting, and whether or not such shares, warrants, options, rights or other interests are authorized or otherwise existing on any date of determination.

"Equivalent Amount" means, on any date, the equivalent amount in Canadian Dollars or United States Dollars, as the case may be, after giving effect to a conversion of a specified amount of United States Dollars to Canadian Dollars or of Canadian Dollars to United States Dollars, as the case may be, at the rate of exchange for Canadian interbank transactions established by the Bank of Canada and quoted at approximately the end of business (Toronto time) for the day in question or, if such determination is required to be made prior to such time, as quoted at approximately the end of business (Toronto time) on the Banking Day immediately preceding the date of determination, or, if such rate is for any reason unavailable, at the spot rate quoted for wholesale transactions by the Agent or relevant Operating Lender, as the case may be, at approximately noon (Toronto time) on that date in accordance with its normal practice.

"Erroneous Payment" has the meaning set out in Section 15.16(1).

"Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment" has the meaning set out in Section 15.16(4).

"Erroneous Payment Impacted Facilities" has the meaning set out in Section 15.16(4).

"Erroneous Payment Return Deficiency" has the meaning set out in Section 15.16(4).

"Erroneous Payment Subrogation Rights" has the meaning set out in Section 15.16(4).

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

"**Event of Default**" has the meaning set out in Section 12.1.

"**Excess Cash**" means any cash or Cash Equivalents of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries that, when taken as a whole, are in excess of the Threshold Amount at any time, but excluding therefrom any cash or Cash Equivalents which are Excluded Deposits/Amounts.

"**Excluded Deposits/Amounts**" means cash or Cash Equivalents:

- (a) held in escrow pursuant to an offering of subscription receipts (or similar equity offering) by the Borrower which have not yet been released from escrow in accordance with the terms of such offering;
- (b) held by a Governmental Authority or by normal business practice in connection with contracts, licenses or tenders or similar matters in the ordinary course of business and for the purpose of carrying on the same (including, for certainty, the deposit of cash in favour of an Energy Regulator to secure ARO Liabilities as may be required by such Energy Regulator from time to time), or to secure workers' compensation, surety or appeal bonds or to secure costs of litigation when required by Applicable Law and which are referred to in subparagraph (w) of the definition of Permitted Encumbrances;
- (c) held by arm's length third parties representing deposits made by the Borrower or its Subsidiaries and which are referred to in subparagraph (v) of the definition of Permitted Encumbrances;
- (d) held by arm's length third parties representing deposits, trust funds, escrow arrangements or other amounts payable by one or more arm's length third parties to the Borrower or any Subsidiary, in each case, which are not then releasable to the Borrower or such Subsidiary and which cannot be paid or transferred on the direction of the Borrower or a Subsidiary;
- (e) held by the Agent or the Operating Lender as cash collateral (including as Cash Collateral) pursuant to the terms of this Agreement; and
- (f) which all of the Lenders (acting reasonably) and the Borrower have previously agreed in writing shall constitute Excluded Deposits/Amounts for all purposes hereof.

"**Excluded LMR Loan Party**" means, as it relates to any Relevant Jurisdiction, the Borrower or any Subsidiary thereof with aggregate ARO Liabilities which, together with the aggregate ARO Liabilities of all other Excluded LMR Loan Parties, do not exceed [*redacted - dollar amount*].

"**Excluded Replacement**" means, with respect to the Borrower, the replacement of those of its directors who have died or have been found to be of unsound mind by a court of competent jurisdiction.

"**Excluded Taxes**" means, with respect to the Agent, any Lender, or any other recipient of any payment to be made by or on account of any obligation hereunder:

- (a) all Taxes on, based on, measured by or with respect to the Agent's or a Lender's net or gross income, gains on capital, franchise Taxes, branch profit Taxes (unless such Taxes are in lieu of any Taxes the Borrower or a Subsidiary would otherwise be required to pay hereunder), in each case that are Taxes imposed as a result of such recipient being organized under the laws of, or having its principal office or, in the case of any Lender, its lending office located in, the jurisdiction imposing such Tax (or any political subdivision thereof) or as a result of any other present or former connection with that jurisdiction (other than any such connection arising solely from such recipient having executed, delivered, become a party to, performed its obligations under, received payments under, received or

perfected a Security Interest under, engaged in any other transaction pursuant to or enforced any Document, or sold or assigned an interest in any Loan or Document);

- (b) all U.S. federal withholding Taxes imposed under FATCA, and any Taxes or penalties arising from a Lender's failure to properly comply with such Lender's obligations imposed under the *Canada-United States Enhanced Tax Information Exchange Agreement Implementation Act* (Canada) or the similar provisions of legislation of any other jurisdiction that has entered into an agreement with the United States of America to provide for the implementation of FATCA-based reporting in that jurisdiction;
- (c) any Taxes imposed on a payment or deemed payment by reason of the recipient being a "specified shareholder" of the Borrower (within the meaning of subsection 18(5) of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada)) at the time of payment or deemed payment, or by reason of such recipient not dealing at arm's length for the purposes of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) with the Borrower or a "specified shareholder" of the Borrower at the time of payment or deemed payment (other than where the non-arm's length relationship arises, or where the recipient is a "specified shareholder" or does not deal at arm's length with a "specified shareholder", in connection with or as a result of the recipient having executed, delivered, become a party to, performed its obligations under, received payments under, received or perfected a Security Interest under or received or enforced any rights under, this Agreement or any other Document); and
- (d) Taxes that are directly attributable to the failure (other than as a result of a change in any Applicable Law) by any Lender or the Agent to deliver the documentation required to be delivered pursuant to Section 8.5(4).

"Executive Order" means the executive order No. 13224 of 23 September 2011, entitled "Blocking Property and Prohibiting Transactions With Persons Who Commit, Threaten to Commit, or Support Terrorism".

"Existing Credit Facilities" means those credit facilities established pursuant to the third amended and restated credit agreement dated December 7, 2021, as amended by a first amending agreement made as of August 31, 2022 and a second amending agreement made as of April 27, 2023, between the Borrower, the lenders party thereto and National Bank of Canada, as administrative agent for such lenders.

"Existing Secured Royalty Agreement" means, collectively, the Gross Overriding Royalty Agreement dated September 8, 2021 between Boulder Energy Ltd. and Topaz Energy Corp., the capital commitment agreement between West Lake Energy Corp., Boulder and Topaz Energy Corp. dated September 8, 2021 and that certain termination of capital commitment letter dated May 25, 2022 provided by West Lake Energy Corp., as accepted and agreed to May 30, 2022 by Topaz Energy Corp.

"Expected Production" means, for any period of determination, expected production of proved, developed producing reserves of Petroleum Substances of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, net of royalties, as described in the Borrower's most recent Engineering Report (as such Expected Production is updated from time to time by forecast approved by the Board of Directors of the Borrower, such forecast to be acceptable to the Majority of the Lenders, acting reasonably), as adjusted for acquisitions and Dispositions during such period of determination.

"Extending Lender" has the meaning set out in Section 2.19(3).

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

"FCPA" means the *Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977* (United States), including any subordinate legislation thereunder.

"**Federal Funds Rate**" means, for any day, the rate of interest per annum equal to (a) the weighted average (rounded upwards, if necessary, to the next 1/100th of one percent per annum) of the annual rates of interest on overnight Federal funds transactions with members of the Federal Reserve Board (or any successor thereof) arranged by Federal funds brokers on such day, as published on the next succeeding Banking Day by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (or any successor thereto) or, (b) if such day is not a Banking Day, such weighted average for the immediately preceding Banking Day for which the same is published or, (c) if such rate is not so published for any day that is a Banking Day, the average (rounded upwards, if necessary, to the next 1/100th of one percent per annum) of the quotations for such day on such transactions received by the Agent (or the Operating Lender) from three Federal funds brokers of recognized standing selected by the Agent or the Operating Lender; provided that, if the Federal Funds Rate would be less than zero on any day, then such rate shall be deemed to be zero on such day.

"**Federal Reserve Board**" means the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve Board of the United States of America or any successor thereof.

"**Finance Lease**" means, at any time, any lease or other arrangement providing for the right of the lessee (or the analogous person) thereunder to use property, real or personal, moveable or immovable (whether or not such lease or other arrangement is intended as security) where the obligations of the lessee (or such other analogous person) thereunder are required to be shown as a liability on the consolidated balance sheet of such lessee (or such other analogous person) in accordance with GAAP.

"**Finance Lease Obligations**" means, at any time with respect to any person and without duplication, the amount of the obligations under Finance Leases required to be shown as a liability on the consolidated balance sheet of such person in accordance with applicable GAAP (as specified in the definition of Finance Lease); provided that, unless otherwise expressly provided or the context otherwise requires, references herein to "**Finance Lease Obligations**" shall be and shall be deemed to be references to Finance Lease Obligations of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries.

"**Financial Assistance**" means, with respect to any person and without duplication, any loan, guarantee, undertaking to assume, endorsement (other than the routine endorsement of cheques in the ordinary course of business), indemnity, assurance, acceptance, extension of credit, loan purchase, share purchase, equity or capital contribution, investment or other form of direct or indirect financial assistance or support of any other person or any obligation (contingent or otherwise), in each case, primarily for the purpose of enabling another person to incur or pay any Debt or to comply with agreements relating thereto or otherwise to assure or protect creditors of such other person against loss in respect of the Debt of such other person, and includes any guarantee of or indemnity in respect of Debt of such other person and, in any event includes, any absolute or contingent obligation to (directly or indirectly):

- (a) advance or supply funds for the payment or purchase of any Debt of any other person;
- (b) purchase, sell or lease (as lessee or lessor) any property, assets, goods, services, materials or supplies primarily for the purpose of enabling any person to make payment of Debt or to assure the holder thereof against loss;
- (c) guarantee, indemnify, hold harmless or otherwise become liable to any creditor of any other person from or against any losses, liabilities or damages in respect of Debt;
- (d) make a payment to another for goods, property or services regardless of the non-delivery or non-furnishing thereof to a person for the primary purpose referred to above; or
- (e) make an advance, loan or other extension of credit to or to make any subscription for equity, equity or capital contribution, or investment in or to maintain the capital, working capital, solvency or general financial condition of another person, in each case, for the primary purpose referred to above.

The amount of any Financial Assistance is the amount of any loan or direct or indirect financial assistance or support, without duplication, given, or all Debt of the obligor to which the Financial Assistance relates, unless the Financial Assistance is limited to a determinable amount, in which case the amount of the Financial Assistance is limited to such determinable amount.

"Financial Instrument" means any Interest Hedging Agreement, Currency Hedging Agreement or Commodity Agreement.

"Financial Instrument Demand for Payment" means a demand made by a Lender or its Hedging Affiliate pursuant to a Lender Financial Instrument demanding payment of the Financial Instrument Obligations which are then due and payable relating thereto and shall include any notice under any agreement evidencing a Lender Financial Instrument which, when delivered, would require an early termination thereof and a payment by the Borrower or a Subsidiary in settlement of obligations thereunder as a result of such early termination.

"Financial Instrument Obligations" means obligations arising under Financial Instruments entered into by the Borrower or a Subsidiary to the extent of the net amount due or accruing due by the Borrower or such Subsidiary thereunder.

"Financial Officer" of any person shall mean the principal financial officer of such person.

"Floor" means 0.00% per annum.

"Former Lender" has the meaning set out in Section 11.10.

"Fronted LC" means a Letter of Credit issued by the Fronting Lender for the account of the Lenders.

"Fronting Lenders" means, each to a maximum of its respective Individual Fronting Limit, initially, Royal Bank of Canada, in such capacity, or such other Lenders as are selected by the Agent and the Borrower, and that assume in writing with the Borrower, the Lenders and the Agent, the obligation of a Fronting Lender hereunder, and provided further that, with respect to a particular usage herein and if the context requires, **"Fronting Lender"** shall mean the Lender which has issued the Fronted LCs in question.

"Fund" means any person (other than a natural person) that is (or will be) engaged in making, purchasing, holding or otherwise investing in commercial loans and similar extensions of credit in the ordinary course of its activities.

"Fundamental Transaction" has the meaning set out in Section 10.2(l).

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles which are in effect from time to time in Canada including, for certainty, IFRS (but only to the extent IFRS is adopted by the CPA or any successor thereto as generally accepted accounting principles in Canada and, then, subject to such modifications thereto as are agreed by the CPA).

"Governmental Authority" means any federal, provincial, state, regional, municipal or local government or any department, agency, board, tribunal or authority thereof or other political subdivision thereof and any entity or person exercising executive, legislative, judicial, regulatory or administrative functions of, or pertaining to, government or the operation thereof.

"Governmental Authorization" means an authorization, order, permit, approval, grant, license, consent, right, franchise, privilege, certificate, judgment, writ, injunction, award, determination, direction, decree or demand or the like issued or granted by law or by rule or regulation of any Governmental Authority.

"Guarantee" means any guarantee, indemnity, undertaking to assume, endorse, contingently agree to purchase or to provide funds for the payment of, or otherwise become liable in respect of, any obligation of any person; provided that the amount of each Guarantee shall be deemed to be the amount of the obligation guaranteed thereby, unless the Guarantee is limited to a determinable amount in which case the amount of such Guarantee shall be deemed to be the lesser of such determinable amount and the amount of such obligation.

"Guarantor" means a Material Subsidiary which has executed and delivered to the Agent the Security.

"Hazardous Materials" means any substance or mixture of substances which, if released into the environment, would likely cause, immediately or at some future time, harm, degradation or adverse effect to the environment or to human health or safety or property and includes, but is not limited to, any substance defined as or determined to be a pollutant, contaminant, waste, hazardous waste, hazardous chemical, hazardous substance, toxic substance, deleterious substance, dangerous good or other similarly designated harmful substance under any Environmental Law.

"Hedge Monetization" means the termination, restructuring or unwinding of any Financial Instrument (but, for certainty, excluding the termination thereof on the scheduled maturity date thereof) which:

- (a) was in effect as of the date upon which the Borrowing Base was last determined or re-determined;
- (b) any one or more of the Lenders had attributed lending value thereto; and
- (c) has resulted in payments to the Borrower or a Subsidiary pursuant thereto.

"Hedging Affiliate" means any Affiliate of a Lender which enters into a Financial Instrument; provided that, for certainty, Hedging Affiliate: (a) includes any person who was an Affiliate of the Lender at the time such Financial Instrument was entered into; and (b) does not include any person who becomes a counterparty in the place and stead of such Affiliate by reason of the assignment or novation of such Financial Instrument unless such person is a Lender or an Affiliate of such Lender.

"Hostile Acquisition" means any offer by the Borrower or a Subsidiary of the Borrower to acquire (which shall include an offer to purchase securities, solicitation of an offer to sell securities or an acceptance of an offer to sell securities, whether or not the offer to sell was solicited, or any combination of the foregoing) outstanding securities of any person (other than a private issuer as defined in National Instrument 45-106 - *Prospectus and Registration Exemptions* or a person whose Equity Interests are directly or indirectly held by one person) (the "**Target**") where, as of the date of the offer to acquire, the securities that are subject to the offer to acquire, together with the securities of the Target that are beneficially owned, or over which control or direction is exercised, by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries and any person acting jointly or in concert with any thereof on the date that the offer to acquire is made, constitute, in the aggregate, the lesser of such percentage of outstanding securities as is considered to be a "takeover bid" under any law or regulation applicable to the Target and twenty percent (20%) or more of all of the outstanding securities of that class of securities of the Target (a "**Takeover**") and the board of directors or like body of the Target has not approved or recommended approval of the Takeover, provided that if any such Takeover is made pursuant to exemptions from formal takeover bid requirements as provided in (a) Part 4 of Multilateral Instrument 62-104 – "*Take-Over Bids and Issuer Bids*" and analogous provisions of the *Securities Act* (Alberta) or in any successor legislation or securities instrument, rule or blanket order, (b) any order of a provincial or territorial securities commission or similar regulatory authority in a province or territory of Canada, or (c) any analogous provisions of the securities laws of any other jurisdiction or in any order, ruling or other form of exemptive relief provided by a securities commission or securities regulatory authority of any other jurisdiction, then it shall not be considered to be a Hostile Acquisition.

"IFRS" means International Financial Reporting Standards including International Accounting Standards and Interpretations together with their accompanying documents which are set by the International Accounting Standards Board, the independent standard-setting body of the International Accounting Standards Committee Foundation (the "**IASC Foundation**"), and the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee, the interpretative body of the IASC Foundation.

"Indemnified Parties" means, collectively, the Agent, the Lenders (including the Fronting Lenders and the Operating Lender) and the Co-Lead Arrangers, including a receiver, receiver manager or similar person appointed under applicable law, and their respective shareholders, Affiliates, officers, directors, employees and agents and "**Indemnified Party**" means any one of the foregoing.

"Indemnified Taxes" means Taxes other than Excluded Taxes.

"Indemnified Third Party" has the meaning set out in Section 14.3.

"Independent Engineer" means, as of the date hereof, GLJ Ltd., and includes such other firm or firms of independent engineers as may be selected from time to time by the Borrower and approved by the Majority of the Lenders (acting reasonably) in replacement thereof.

"Individual Fronting Limit" means, with respect to each Fronting Lender, the maximum Outstanding Principal of Letters of Credit for which such Fronting Lender is obligated to be a Fronting Lender hereunder, which limit is set forth opposite the name of such Fronting Lender on Schedule A annexed hereto, as the same may be amended from time to time on the direction and with the agreement in writing of such Fronting Lender and the Borrower.

"Information" has the meaning set out in Section 16.1.

"Insolvency Event" has the meaning set out in Section 12.2.

"Interest Expense" means, for any period, without duplication, interest expense of the Borrower determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP as the same would be set forth or reflected in a consolidated statement of income of the Borrower and, in any event and without limitation, shall include:

- (a) all interest of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries accrued or payable in respect of such period, including capitalized interest and imputed interest with respect to lease obligations;
- (a) all fees of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries (including standby fees, commitment fees, acceptance and stamping fees in respect of bankers' acceptances and fees payable in respect of letters of credit, letters of guarantee and similar instruments but excluding any upfront fees paid in connection with the establishment of the Credit Facilities) accrued or payable in respect of such period in respect of any Debt, prorated (as required) over such period;
- (b) any difference between the face amount and the discount proceeds of any bankers' acceptances, commercial paper and other obligations of the Borrower or any Subsidiary issued at a discount, prorated (as required) over such period; and
- (c) all net amounts charged or credited to interest expense under any Interest Hedging Agreements in respect of such period.

"Interest Hedging Agreement" means any interest swap agreement, forward rate agreement, floor, cap or collar agreement, future, derivative or option transaction, insurance or other similar agreement or arrangement, or any combination thereof, entered into by the Borrower or a Subsidiary thereof where the subject matter of the same is interest rates or the price, value or amount payable thereunder is dependent or based upon the interest rates or fluctuations in interest rates in effect from time to time (but, for certainty, shall exclude conventional floating rate debt).

"Interest Payment Date" means:

- (a) with respect to each Canadian Prime Rate Loan and U.S. Base Rate Loan, the last Banking Day of each calendar month; and
- (b) with respect to each SOFR Loan, the last day of each applicable Interest Period and in addition, if such Interest Period has a duration of more than three months, the Banking Day occurring every three months after the first day of such Interest Period,

provided that, in any case, the Maturity Date or, if applicable, any earlier date on which a Credit Facility is fully cancelled or permanently reduced in full, shall be an Interest Payment Date with respect to all Loans then outstanding under such Credit Facility.

"Interest Period" means:

- (a) with respect to each Canadian Prime Rate Loan and U.S. Base Rate Loan, the period commencing on the applicable Drawdown Date or Conversion Date, as the case may be, and terminating on the date selected by the Borrower hereunder for the Conversion of such Loan into another type of Loan or for the repayment of such Loan;
- (b) with respect to each Bankers' Acceptance, the period selected by the Borrower hereunder and being of 1 or 3 months' duration, subject to market availability, (or, subject to the agreement of all of the applicable Lenders, a longer or shorter period) commencing on the Drawdown Date, Rollover Date or Conversion Date of such Loan;
- (c) after the Benchmark Replacement Date has occurred with respect to the CDOR Reference Rate, in respect of each CAD Benchmark Loan, a period of 1 or 3 months or such shorter period as may be agreed to by all of the applicable Lenders, in each case, subject to the market availability thereof (as selected by the Borrower and notified to, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (as the case may be)), with respect to such CAD Benchmark Loan;
- (d) with respect to each SOFR Loan, a period of 1, 3 or 6 months, or such other period as may be agreed to by all of the applicable Lenders, in each case, subject to the market availability thereof (as selected by the Borrower and notified to, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (as the case may be)) commencing on and including the Drawdown Date, Conversion Date or Rollover Date, as the case may be, applicable to such SOFR Loan and ending on and including the last day of such period, and thereafter, each successive period of 1, 3 or 6 months, subject to the market availability thereof (as selected by the Borrower and notified to, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (as the case may be)) commencing on and including the last day of the prior Interest Period and ending on and including the last day of such successive period; and
- (e) with respect to each Letter of Credit, the period commencing on the date of issuance of such Letter of Credit and terminating on the last day such Letter of Credit is outstanding,

provided that in any case: (i) the last day of each Interest Period shall be also the first day of the next Interest Period whether with respect to the same or another Loan; (ii) the last day of each Interest Period shall be a Banking Day and, if the last day of an Interest Period selected by the Borrower is not a Banking Day, the Borrower shall be deemed to have selected an Interest Period the last day of which is the Banking Day next following the last day of the Interest Period selected unless such next following Banking Day falls in the next calendar month in which event the Borrower shall be deemed to have selected an Interest Period the last day of which is the Banking Day immediately preceding the last day of the Interest Period selected by the Borrower; (iii) any Interest Period that begins on the last Banking Day of a calendar month (or on a day for which there is not a numerically corresponding day in the calendar month at the end of such Interest Period) shall end on the last Banking Day of the relevant calendar month at the end of such Interest Period; (iv) no tenor that has been removed from clauses (b) and (d) of this definition pursuant to Section 13.1 or 13.3 (as applicable) shall be available for specification in such Drawdown Notice or interest election; and (v) the last day of all Interest Periods for Loans outstanding under a given Credit Facility shall expire on or prior to the Maturity Date applicable thereto, subject, however, in the case of Letters of Credit, to the provisions of Section 7.2.

"Investment" means any one or more of the following: (a) any purchase or other acquisition of Equity Interests of any person; (b) any form of Financial Assistance to or for the benefit of any person; (c) any loan to any person; (d) any other extension of credit to any person, other than in the ordinary course of business; (e) any capital contribution to any other person; and (f) any purchase or other acquisition of assets, property or undertaking other than an acquisition in the ordinary course of business of the purchaser.

"ISDA Definitions" means the 2006 ISDA Definitions published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. or any successor thereto, as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor

definitional booklet for interest rate derivatives published from time to time by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. or such successor thereto.

"Joel Convertible Debt Transaction" means, collectively, the set off by the Borrower of [redacted - dollar amount] of Debt owing to 1080766 pursuant to the Joel Convertible Debt Transaction Documents, which Debt will be set off against payment for Equity Interests in the Borrower (the **"Joel Conversion"**) prior to or substantially concurrently with the closing of the Transactions.

"Joel Convertible Debt Transaction Documents" means, collectively, (a) the promissory note issued in favour of 1080766 by the Borrower in the principal amount of [redacted - dollar amount] (b) the subscription agreement for Equity Interests of the Borrower executed by 1080766 and accepted by the Borrower, regarding the Joel Conversion and (c) the Equity Interests issued to 1080766 comprising of shares and warrants.

"Joel Conversion" has the meaning set out in the definition of Joel Convertible Debt Transaction.

"Joel Guarantee" means that certain guarantee provided by Joel MacLeod in favour of West Lake Energy Corp. in connection with the Boulder VTB.

"Judgment Conversion Date" has the meaning set out in Section 14.4.

"Judgment Currency" has the meaning set out in Section 14.4.

"Junior Debt Creditors" means, collectively, the lenders (including holders of any bonds, debentures, notes or other evidence of indebtedness under any Junior Debt Financing Agreement), and any administrative or collateral agents or trustees from time to time under any Junior Debt Financing Agreement.

"Junior Debt Financing Agreement" means any credit agreement, indenture or other principal financing document by and between the Borrower and the Junior Debt Creditors or any administrative or collateral agent or trustee in respect of Permitted Junior Debt, governing the terms and conditions of Permitted Junior Debt as such agreement, indenture or other document may be amended, restated, supplemented or replaced from time to time as permitted hereunder and, if applicable, under a Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement.

"LCA" means the licensee capability assessment used by the Alberta Energy Regulator to assess the capabilities of licensees to meet their regulatory and liability obligations across the energy development cycle, as more particularly described in Directive 088: Licensee Life-Cycle Management.

"Lender BA Suspension Notice" has the meaning set out in Section 13.2(b).

"Lender Distress Event" means, in respect of a given Lender, such Lender or its Lender Parent (a) is subject to a forced liquidation, merger, sale or other change of control supported in whole or in part by guarantees or other support (including the nationalization or assumption of ownership or operating control by the Government of the United States, Canada or any other Governmental Authority) or (b) is otherwise adjudicated as, or determined to be, insolvent or bankrupt, in each case, by any Governmental Authority having regulatory authority over such Lender or Lender Parent or their respective assets; provided that, for certainty, a Lender Distress Event shall not have occurred solely by virtue of the ownership or acquisition of any equity interest in such Lender or its Lender Parent by any Governmental Authority so long as any such ownership interest does not result in or provide such Lender with immunity from the jurisdiction of courts within Canada or from the enforcement of judgments or writs of attachment on its assets or permit such Lender (or such Governmental Authority) to reject, repudiate, disavow or disaffirm any contracts or agreements made with such Lender.

"Lender Financial Instrument" means a Financial Instrument entered into between a Lender or a Hedging Affiliate and the Borrower or a Subsidiary.

"Lender Financial Instrument Obligations" means, collectively, all of the obligations, indebtedness and liabilities (present or future, absolute or contingent, mature or not) of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries under, pursuant or relating to any and all Lender Financial Instruments.

"Lender Insolvency Event" means, in respect of a given Lender, such Lender or its Lender Parent:

- (a) is dissolved (other than pursuant to a consolidation, amalgamation or merger);
- (b) becomes insolvent, is deemed insolvent by applicable law or is unable to pay its debts or fails or admits in writing its inability generally to pay its debts as they become due;
- (c) makes a general assignment, arrangement or composition with or for the benefit of its creditors;
- (d) (i) institutes, or has instituted against it by a regulator, supervisor or any similar Governmental Authority with primary insolvency, rehabilitative or regulatory jurisdiction over it in the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization or the jurisdiction of its head or home office, (A) a proceeding pursuant to which such Governmental Authority takes control of such Lender's or Lender Parent's assets, (B) a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy, insolvency or winding-up law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or (C) a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation by it or such regulator, supervisor or similar Governmental Authority; or (ii) has instituted against it a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy, insolvency or winding-up law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation, and such proceeding or petition is instituted or presented by a person or entity not described in clause (i) above and either (A) results in a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or the entry of an order for relief or the making of an order for its winding-up or liquidation or (B) is not dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained in each case within 15 days of the institution or presentation thereof;
- (e) has a resolution passed for its winding-up, official management or liquidation (other than pursuant to a consolidation, amalgamation or merger);
- (f) seeks or becomes subject to the appointment of an administrator, provisional liquidator, conservator, receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or a substantial portion of all of its assets;
- (g) has a secured party take possession of all or a substantial portion of all of its assets or has a distress, execution, attachment, sequestration or other legal process levied, enforced or sued on or against all or substantially all its assets and such secured party maintains possession, or any such process is not dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained, in each case, within 15 days thereafter;
- (h) causes or is subject to any event with respect to it which, under the applicable law of any jurisdiction, has an analogous effect to any of the events specified in subparagraphs (a) to (g) above, inclusive; or
- (i) takes any action in furtherance of, or indicating its consent to, approval of, or acquiescence in, any of the foregoing.

"Lender Parent" means any person that directly or indirectly controls a Lender and, for the purposes of this definition, "control" shall have the same meaning as set forth in the definition of "Affiliate" contained herein.

"Lenders' Counsel" means the firm of Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP or such other firm of legal counsel as the Agent may from time to time designate.

"Letter of Credit" or **"LC"** means a letter of credit in form satisfactory to and issued by (a) in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender, and (b) in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the applicable Fronting Lender for the account of the Lenders, in each case, acting at the request of and in accordance with the instructions of the Borrower, to make payment in accordance with the terms and conditions thereof of an amount to or to the order of a third party.

"Liability Management Rating" means, subject to Section 1.8, for any Relevant Jurisdiction, the environmental liability management rating (or equivalent) governing upstream oil and gas wells, facilities, and pipelines for such jurisdiction, as determined in accordance with the rules and regulations of each applicable Relevant Jurisdiction and its Energy Regulator for the then relevant period (after adjusting the "deemed assets" (or the equivalent) to exclude any security deposits provided to the applicable Energy Regulator if such security deposits are so included by the applicable Energy Regulator in the determination thereof).

"Loan" means a Canadian Prime Rate Loan, U.S. Base Rate Loan, SOFR Loan, Bankers' Acceptance or BA Equivalent Advance or Letter of Credit outstanding hereunder.

"Lowest Borrowing Base Lender" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.22.

"Majority of the Lenders" means:

- (a) when there are three or fewer Lenders, all of the Lenders; and
- (b) when there are four or more Lenders, those Lenders, the Commitments of which are, in the aggregate, at least 66⅔% of the Commitments of all Lenders hereunder.

"Material Acquisition" means an acquisition (whether in one transaction or in a series of related transactions and including an acquisition by way of an amalgamation) by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries of (a) assets or (b) Equity Interests in a person who becomes a Subsidiary of the Borrower, in each case, which increases Consolidated Assets or EBITDA, in either case, by more than the Threshold Amount (net of the amount of any related Dispositions).

"Material Adverse Effect" means a material adverse effect on:

- (a) the financial condition of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis and taken as a whole;
- (b) the ability of the Borrower or any of the Material Subsidiaries to observe or perform their respective material obligations under the Documents to which any of them is a party or the validity or enforceability of such Documents or any material provision thereof;
- (c) the property, business, operations, liabilities or capitalization of the Borrower and the Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis and taken as a whole; or
- (d) the Security, the Security Interests created thereunder or the priority thereof or any material right or remedy of the Agent or Lenders thereunder.

"Material Disposition" means a sale, transfer or other Disposition (whether in one transaction or in a series of related transactions) by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries of (a) assets or (b) Equity Interests in a Subsidiary of the Borrower, in each case, which decreases Consolidated Assets or EBITDA, in either case, by more than the Threshold Amount (net of the amount of any related acquisitions).

"Material Order" means any ARO Order, or series of ARO Orders related to the same assets, where the estimated cost of abandonment and/or reclamation is, individually, or in the aggregate, in excess of the Threshold Amount.

"Material Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary of the Borrower which:

- (a) has consolidated assets equal to or greater than [redacted] of the Consolidated Assets;

- (b) has EBITDA attributable thereto equal to or greater than [redacted] of EBITDA in the immediately preceding 12 months;
- (c) is party to a Secured Royalty Agreement;
- (d) owns or holds, directly or indirectly (whether through the ownership of or investments in other Subsidiaries or otherwise) any ownership interest in any reserves of Petroleum Substances which are included for purposes of the determination of the Borrowing Base;
- (e) has guaranteed or otherwise become liable for any Debt (including, for certainty, Permitted Junior Debt and the Boulder VTB); or
- (f) to the extent it is not a Material Subsidiary pursuant to paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d) or (e) above, is from time to time designated by the Borrower as a Designated Material Subsidiary pursuant to Section 11.1.

"Maturity Date" means, (a) in respect of the Syndicated Facility and the Obligations owing under or pursuant to the Syndicated Facility, the Syndicated Facility Maturity Date, and (b) in respect of the Operating Facility and the Obligations owing under or pursuant to the Operating Facility, the Operating Facility Maturity Date.

"Minimum Hedging" has the meaning set out in Section 10.1(cc).

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc. and any successors thereto.

"Natural Gas" means natural gas (excluding natural gas liquids).

"Net Income" of any person for any financial period for which it is being determined, means the net income (or net loss) of such person determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP, for such period, provided that, unless otherwise expressly provided or the context otherwise requires, references herein to "Net Income" shall be and shall be deemed to be references to Net Income of the Borrower.

"New Rules" has the meaning set out in Section 13.3(2).

"Non-Acceptance Lender" means (a) a Lender which does not accept bankers' acceptances in the ordinary course of its business or (b) in respect of Lenders other than Schedule I Lenders, a Lender who, by notice in writing to the Agent and the Borrower, elects thereafter to make BA Equivalent Advances in lieu of accepting Bankers' Acceptances.

"Non-Extending Lender" has the meaning set out in Section 2.19(3).

"Non-Financial LCs" means Letters of Credit which are not "direct credit substitutes" within the meaning of the Capital Adequacy Requirements (or within the meaning of the analogous provisions of other Applicable Laws or other applicable guidelines), as determined by the Operating Lender or the applicable Fronting Lender, acting reasonably.

"Non-Standard Interest Period" means: (a) with respect to a SOFR Loan, an Interest Period which is for a term other than 1, 3 or 6 months; and (b) with respect to a Bankers' Acceptance, an Interest Period which is for a term other than 1 or 3 months.

"Notice of Non-Extension" has the meaning set out in Section 2.19(3).

"Obligations" means, collectively and at any time and from time to time, all of the obligations, indebtedness and liabilities (present or future, absolute or contingent, matured or not) of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries to the Lenders or the Agent under, pursuant or relating to the Credit Facilities or the Documents and whether the same are from time to time reduced and thereafter increased or entirely extinguished and thereafter incurred again and including all principal, interest, fees, legal and other costs, charges and expenses, and other amounts payable by the Borrower under this Agreement.

"**OFAC**" means The Office of Foreign Assets Control of the United States Department of the Treasury.

"**Offering**" means the offering of subscription receipts which entitles the holders thereof to receive, upon satisfaction of certain conditions (including closing of the Transactions), without payment of additional consideration, common shares and common share purchase warrants in the Borrower, resulting in aggregate gross proceeds in an amount of not less than Cdn.\$37,000,000 ((a) which gross proceeds shall be deemed to include, on a dollar-for-dollar basis, [redacted - dollar amount] of convertible Debt so long as such convertible Debt has been converted to Equity Interests pursuant to the Joel Conversion prior to or substantially concurrently with the closing of the Transactions and (b) which gross proceeds shall exclude, for certainty, any Highwood Equity Consideration (as defined in the Boulder Acquisition Agreement) provided by the Borrower to West Lake Energy Corp. in connection with the Boulder Transaction).

"**Offering Documents**" means the Borrower's amended and restated final short form base shelf prospectus dated May 19, 2023 for the Provinces of Alberta, British Columbia, Saskatchewan and Ontario and the final short form base shelf prospectus dated May 19, 2023 for the Provinces of Manitoba and New Brunswick, the prospectus supplement of the Borrower dated July 12, 2023, the agency agreement dated as of July 10, 2023 among the Borrower and RBC Dominion Securities Inc., Echelon Wealth Partners Inc., Raymond James Ltd., ATB Capital Markets Inc., Canaccord Genuity Corp., CIBC World Markets Inc., Acumen Capital Finance Partners Limited, Stifel Nicolaus Canada Inc., iA Private Wealth Inc., INFOR Financial Inc. and Paradigm Capital Inc., the subscription receipt agreement dated July 27, 2023 among the Borrower, RBC Dominion Securities Inc. and Odyssey Trust Company and the warrant indenture dated July 27, 2023 between the Borrower and Odyssey Trust Company.

"**Officer's Certificate**" means a certificate or notice (other than a Compliance Certificate) signed by any one of the president, chief financial officer, chief operating officer, a vice president or corporate secretary of the Borrower or a Subsidiary thereof, as the case may be, (including, in the case of a partnership, trust or other person, a certificate or notice signed by such an officer of a general partner, managing partner, trustee, administrator or other similar person of or with respect to such partnership, trust or other person); provided, however, that Drawdown Notices, Conversion Notices, Rollover Notices and Repayment Notices shall be executed on behalf of the Borrower by any one of the foregoing persons or such other persons as may from time to time be designated by written notice from the Borrower to the Agent or the Operating Lender, as the case may be.

"**Oil**" means oil (including natural gas liquids) and bitumen.

"**Operating Budget**" has the meaning set out in Section 10.1(e)(i).

"**Operating Facility**" means the credit facility in the maximum principal amount of [redacted - dollar amount] or the Equivalent Amount thereof in United States Dollars to be made available to the Borrower by the Operating Lender in accordance with the provisions hereof, subject to any reduction in accordance with the provisions hereof.

"**Operating Facility Commitment**" means the commitment by a Lender under the Operating Facility to provide the amount of Canadian Dollars (or the Equivalent Amount thereof in United States Dollars) set forth opposite its name in Schedule A annexed hereto, subject to any reduction in accordance with the terms hereof.

"**Operating Facility Extension Request**" has the meaning set out in Section 2.20(1).

"**Operating Facility Maturity Date**" means the date which is one day prior to the first anniversary of the Operating Facility Term Out Date.

"**Operating Facility Notice of Non-Extension**" has the meaning set out in Section 2.20(3).

"**Operating Facility Term Out Date**" means August 3, 2024 or such later date to which the same may be extended in accordance with Section 2.20.

"**Operating Lender**" means the Lender having the Operating Facility Commitment, being Royal Bank of Canada on the date hereof.

"Operating Lender's Accounts" means the following accounts maintained by the Operating Lender to which payments and transfers in respect of the Operating Facility under this Agreement are to be effected:

- (a) for Canadian Dollars:
[redacted account information]
- (b) for United States Dollars:
[redacted account information]

or such other account or accounts as the Operating Lender may from time to time designate by written notice to the Borrower.

"Order" has the meaning set out in Section 7.9(5).

"OSFI" means the Office of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions Canada (or any successor thereto).

"Outstanding BAs Collateral" has the meaning set out in Section 2.16(2).

"Outstanding Principal" means, at any time, the aggregate of (a) the principal amount of all outstanding Canadian Prime Rate Loans, (b) the Equivalent Amount in Canadian Dollars of the principal amount of all outstanding U.S. Base Rate Loans and SOFR Loans, (c) the amounts payable at maturity of all outstanding Bankers' Acceptances and BA Equivalent Advances, (d) the maximum amount available to be drawn under all outstanding Letters of Credit denominated in Canadian Dollars, and (e) the Equivalent Amount in Canadian Dollars of the maximum amount available to be drawn under all outstanding Letters of Credit denominated in United States Dollars.

"Overdraft Loans" has the meaning set out in Section 2.2(b).

"P&NG Leases" means, collectively, any and all documents of title including leases, reservations, permits, licences, unit agreements, assignments, trust declarations, participation, exploration, farm-out, farm-in, royalty, purchase or other agreements by virtue of which the Borrower or any Subsidiary is entitled to explore for, drill for, recover, take or produce Petroleum Substances of any kind whatsoever from or with respect to P&NG Rights owned by the Borrower or any Subsidiary (as applicable), or to share in the production or proceeds of production or any part thereof or proceeds of royalty, production, profits or other interests out of, referable to or payable in respect of Petroleum Substances of any kind whatsoever from or with respect to P&NG Rights owned by the Borrower or any Subsidiary thereof (as applicable), and the rights of the Borrower or a Subsidiary (as applicable) thereunder.

"P&NG Rights" means all of the right, title, estate and interest, whether contingent or absolute, legal or beneficial, present or future, vested or not, and whether or not an "interest in land", of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in and to any of the following, by whatever name the same are known:

- (a) rights to explore for, drill for and produce, take, save or market Petroleum Substances;
- (b) rights to a share of the production of Petroleum Substances;
- (c) rights to a share of the proceeds of, or to receive payments calculated by reference to the quantity or value of, the production of Petroleum Substances;
- (d) rights to acquire any of the rights described in subparagraphs (a) through (c) of this definition;
- (e) interests in any rights described in subparagraphs (a) through (d) of this definition; and
- (f) all extensions, renewals, replacements or amendments of or to the foregoing items described in subparagraphs (a) through (e) of this definition;

and including interests and rights known as working interests, royalty interests, overriding royalty interests, gross overriding royalty interests, production payments, profits interests, net profits interests, revenue interests, net revenue interests, economic interests and other interests and fractional or undivided interests in any of the foregoing and freehold, leasehold or other interests.

"Payment Recipient" has the meaning set out in Section 15.16(1).

"Pension Plan" means any retirement or pension benefit plan that is established by a person for the benefit of its employees that requires such person to make periodic payments or contributions.

"Permitted Contest" means action taken by or on behalf of the Borrower or a Subsidiary in good faith by appropriate proceedings diligently pursued to contest a Tax, claim or Security Interest, provided that:

- (a) the person to which the Tax, claim or Security Interest being contested is relevant (and, in the case of a Subsidiary, the Borrower on a consolidated basis) has established reasonable reserves therefor if and to the extent required by GAAP;
- (b) proceeding with such contest does not have, and would not reasonably be expected to have, a Material Adverse Effect; and
- (c) proceeding with such contest will not create a material risk of sale, forfeiture or loss of, or interference with the use or operation of, a material part of (i) the Borrowing Base Properties or (ii) any other property, asset or undertaking which has a fair market value greater than the Threshold Amount.

"Permitted Debt" means the following:

- (a) the Obligations;
- (b) Cash Management Obligations to the extent they constitute "Debt";
- (c) any Debt owing by a Subsidiary to the Borrower, by a Subsidiary to a Material Subsidiary and by the Borrower to a Material Subsidiary;
- (d) any Permitted Junior Debt;
- (e) Debt consisting of Financial Assistance permitted under Section 10.2(n);
- (f) Debt consisting of the Boulder VTB, so long as such Debt is subject to the Boulder VTB Subordination Agreement; and
- (g) (i) Finance Lease Obligations (for certainty, excluding Sale-Leasebacks), (ii) Purchase Money Obligations of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries and (iii) Debt which is not otherwise Permitted Debt, provided that the aggregate principal amount of such Debt set forth in the foregoing clauses (i) to (iii), inclusive of this subparagraph (g) does not, at any time, exceed the Threshold Amount.

"Permitted Dispositions" means, in respect of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, any one or more of the following:

- (a) a Disposition of P&NG Rights (and related tangibles) resulting from any farmout, pooling or unitization entered into in the ordinary course of business and in accordance with sound industry practice when, in the reasonable judgment of the Borrower or the applicable Subsidiary, it is necessary to do so in order to facilitate the orderly exploration, development or operation of such P&NG Rights;

- (b) a Disposition by the Borrower or the applicable Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business and in accordance with sound industry practice of tangible personal property that is obsolete, no longer useful for its intended purpose or being replaced in the ordinary course of business;
- (c) a Disposition by any of them of its interest in machinery, equipment or other tangible personal property for which Purchase Money Obligations or Finance Lease Obligations were incurred and which obligations are fully repaid concurrently with such Disposition;
- (d) a Disposition of assets (including shares or ownership interests) by a Subsidiary to the Borrower, by a Subsidiary to a Guarantor and by the Borrower to a Guarantor;
- (e) any abandonment or surrender of uneconomic P&NG Rights in accordance with sound industry practice;
- (f) any Disposition of current production from P&NG Rights made in the ordinary course of business;
- (g) Sale-Leasebacks, provided that the obligations of the Borrower or such relevant Subsidiary, as the case may be, after giving effect to any such Sale-Leasebacks is Permitted Debt under subparagraph (g) of the definition thereof; and
- (h) to the extent constituting a Disposition, a Disposition of cash and Cash Equivalents to make a *bona fide* payment of indebtedness, liabilities or other obligations, in each case, not otherwise prohibited by the terms of this Agreement.

"Permitted Distribution" means:

- (a) any Distribution by a Subsidiary to the Borrower, by a Subsidiary to a Guarantor and by the Borrower to a Guarantor;
- (b) any Distribution to the extent payable solely in common or preferred shares of the Borrower or wholly funded from the proceeds of a concurrent issuance of common shares of the Borrower;
- (c) grants of stock options, performance share units, deferred share units and restricted share units granted in accordance with the Borrower's stock option plan, performance share unit plan, deferred share unit plan or restricted share unit plan;
- (d) purchases, redemptions, retirements, defeasances or acquisitions of shares of the capital stock of the Borrower in connection with the payout of stock-based compensation or cash payment made in lieu of the foregoing, in each case, to directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries of up to [redacted - dollar amount] in the aggregate in any fiscal year of the Borrower and further provided that such Distributions are set forth in the most recently delivered Operating Budget;
- (e) Distributions not otherwise permitted pursuant to subparagraph (a) through (d) above; provided that, at the time of any such Distribution the following conditions are satisfied:
 - (i) neither Credit Facility has reached its respective Term Out Date and there then are no Non-Extending Lenders;
 - (ii) no Default, Event of Default or Borrowing Base Shortfall is continuing or would exist after giving effect to such Distribution and such Distribution is not reasonably expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;
 - (iii) the Borrower has demonstrated: (A) a forecasted *pro forma* Consolidated Senior Debt to EBITDA Ratio over the next four Quarter Ends of the Borrower (that is, after giving effect

to the proposed Distribution); and (B) a *pro forma* Consolidated Senior Debt to EBITDA Ratio as at the most recent Quarter End (that is, after giving effect to the proposed Distribution) for which a Compliance Certificate has been delivered, in each case, of not greater than 1.00:1.00;

- (iv) after giving effect to the proposed Distribution, the Outstanding Principal of all Loans outstanding under the Credit Facilities shall not exceed [redacted] of the aggregate Commitments of all Lenders;
- (v) the aggregate amount of such Distribution, together with the aggregate amount of all other Distributions made in any fiscal year (other than Permitted Distributions made pursuant to subparagraphs (a) and (b) above) is not in excess of [redacted - dollar amount]; and
- (vi) (A) at least 5 Banking Days prior to giving effect to any such Distribution, the Borrower has delivered an Officer's Certificate to the Agent certifying the matters set forth in (i) through (v) of this subparagraph (b), together with particulars of each of the definitions and elements included in the determination, in the case of (iii) above, of such *pro forma* Consolidated Senior Debt to EBITDA Ratios; and (B) as at the time of giving effect to any such Distribution, the Agent has not given written notice to the Borrower that the *pro forma* Consolidated Senior Debt to EBITDA Ratios set forth in the Officer's Certificate delivered as aforesaid is not acceptable to one or more of the Lenders, each such Lender acting reasonably,

provided further that, unless and until the Boulder VTB has been repaid in full in cash and cancelled, the only Distributions which may be made pursuant to this subparagraph (e) (assuming that all of the foregoing conditions are otherwise satisfied) shall be repayments of the Boulder VTB.

"Permitted Encumbrances" means, as at any particular time, any of the following Security Interests on the property or any part of the property of the Borrower or any Subsidiary:

- (a) liens for Taxes, assessments or governmental charges not at the time due or delinquent or, if due or delinquent, the validity of which is being contested at the time by a Permitted Contest;
- (b) deemed liens and trusts arising by operation of law in connection with workers' compensation, employment insurance and other social security legislation, in each case, which secure obligations not at the time due or delinquent or, if due or delinquent, the validity of which is being contested at the time by a Permitted Contest;
- (c) liens under or pursuant to any judgment rendered, or claim filed, against the Borrower or a Subsidiary, which the Borrower or such Subsidiary (as applicable) shall be contesting at the time by a Permitted Contest;
- (d) undetermined or inchoate liens and charges incidental to construction, maintenance or current operations which have not at such time been registered or filed pursuant to applicable law against the Borrower or a Subsidiary or the subject property or which relate to obligations not due or delinquent or, if due or delinquent, the validity of which is being contested at the time by a Permitted Contest;
- (e) liens incurred or created in the ordinary course of business and in accordance with sound industry practice in respect of the exploration, development or operation of P&NG Rights and related production or processing facilities in which such person has an interest or the transmission of Petroleum Substances as security in favour of any other person conducting or participating in the exploration, development, operation, production, processing or transmission of the property to which such liens relate, for the Borrower's or any Subsidiary's portion of the costs and expenses of such exploration, development, operation, production, processing or transmission, provided that

such costs or expenses are not due or delinquent or, if due or delinquent, the validity of which is being contested at the time by a Permitted Contest;

- (f) liens for penalties arising under non-participation or independent operations provisions of operating or similar agreements in respect of the Borrower's or any Subsidiary's P&NG Rights, provided that such liens do not materially detract from the value of any material part of the property of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole;
- (g) any right of first refusal or other preferential rights of purchase in favour of any person granted in the ordinary course of business with respect to all or any of the P&NG Rights of the Borrower or any Subsidiary;
- (h) easements, rights of way, servitudes or other similar rights in land (including, without in any way limiting the generality of the foregoing, rights of way and servitudes for railways, sewers, drains, gas and oil and other pipelines, gas and water mains, electric light and power and telecommunication, telephone or telegraph or cable television conduits, poles, wires and cables) granted to or reserved or taken by other persons which individually or in the aggregate do not materially detract from the value of the land concerned or materially impair its use in the operation of the business of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole;
- (i) the right reserved to or vested in any Governmental Authority by the terms of any lease, license, franchise, grant or permit or by any Applicable Laws, to terminate any such lease, license, franchise, grant or permit or to require payment of rent or other periodic payments as a condition of the continuance thereof;
- (j) rights of general application reserved to or vested in any Governmental Authority to levy taxes on any of the assets or the income therefrom, or to limit, control or regulate any of the assets, or operations pertaining thereto, in any manner;
- (k) security given by the Borrower or a Subsidiary to a public utility or any municipality or governmental or other public authority when required by such utility or municipality or other authority in connection with the operations of the Borrower or such Subsidiary (as applicable), all in the ordinary course of its business which individually or in the aggregate do not materially detract from the value of the asset concerned or materially impair its use in the operation of the business of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole;
- (l) the reservation in any original grants from the Crown or lessor of any land or interests therein and statutory exceptions and reservations to title;
- (m) any encumbrance or agreement relating to pooling or a plan of unitization affecting the property of the Borrower or a Subsidiary, or any part thereof;
- (n) royalties, net profits and other interests and obligations arising in accordance with standard industry practice and in the ordinary course of business, under P&NG Leases in which the Borrower or a Subsidiary have any interest;
- (o) Security Interests in favour of the Lenders, the Agent on behalf of the Lenders, Cash Managers and Hedging Affiliates or the Operating Lender as expressly contemplated by this Agreement;
- (p) the Security;
- (q) Security Interests in favour of Junior Debt Creditors arising pursuant to Permitted Junior Debt and which is subject to a Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement;
- (r) any lease which is not a Finance Lease, provided that the same is not a Sale-Leaseback;

- (s) bankers' liens, rights of set-off and other similar liens existing solely with respect to cash and Approved Securities on deposit in one or more accounts maintained by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, in each case, granted in the ordinary course of business in favour of the Lender or Lenders with which such accounts are maintained, securing amounts owing to such Lender with respect to cash management and operating account arrangements, including those involving pooled accounts and netting arrangements;
- (t) to the extent constituting Security Interests, Financial Assistance permitted under this Agreement;
- (u) landlords' liens or any other rights of distress reserved in or exercisable under any lease of real property for rent and for compliance with the terms of such lease; provided that such lien does not attach generally to all or substantially all of the undertaking, assets and property of the Borrower or any Subsidiary;
- (v) deposits to secure performance of (i) bids, tenders, contracts (other than contracts for the payment of money) or (ii) leases of real property (other than P&NG Leases) entered into in the ordinary course of business, in each case, to which the Borrower or a Subsidiary is a party;
- (w) Security Interests resulting from the deposit of cash or Approved Securities as security when the Borrower or a Subsidiary is required to do so by a Governmental Authority or by normal business practice in connection with contracts, licenses or tenders or similar matters in the ordinary course of business and for the purpose of carrying on the same (including, for certainty, the deposit of cash in favour of an Energy Regulator to secure ARO Liabilities as may be required by such Energy Regulator from time to time), or to secure workers' compensation, surety or appeal bonds or to secure costs of litigation when required by Applicable Law;
- (x) minor defects of title which, individually and in the aggregate, do not materially affect the right of ownership of the Borrower or its Subsidiary in the P&NG Rights or the right of the Borrower or its Subsidiary to utilize the P&NG Rights to conduct its business;
- (y) deposits or pledges of Cash Equivalents pursuant to the exercise of the legal defeasance option, the covenant defeasance option or other options for satisfaction or deemed satisfaction of Permitted Junior Debt in respect of the repayment of such Permitted Junior Debt pursuant to the express terms set forth in the Junior Debt Financing Agreement giving effect to such Permitted Junior Debt and, provided that, the repayment of such Permitted Junior Debt is not prohibited by this Agreement and the giving effect to such repayment would not result in a Default or Event of Default;
- (z) Security Interests:
 - (i) securing Finance Lease Obligations, provided that such Security Interests shall attach only to the property subject to the lease giving rise to such Finance Lease Obligation and provided further that such Finance Lease Obligations are Permitted Debt;
 - (ii) securing a Purchase Money Obligation, provided that such Security Interests shall attach only to the property acquired in connection with which such Purchase Money Obligation was incurred (and proceeds thereof) and provided further that such Purchase Money Obligation is Permitted Debt; and
 - (iii) which are not otherwise Permitted Encumbrances, provided that such Security Interests do not attach generally to all or substantially all of the undertaking, assets and property of the Borrower or any Subsidiary (such as a Security Interest in the nature of a floating charge on all or substantially all of the undertaking, assets and property of a person),

provided that the aggregate principal amount of obligations secured by the foregoing does not at any time exceed the Threshold Amount (or the Equivalent Amount thereof in United States Dollars or the equivalent amount thereof in any other currency);

- (aa) Security Interests in favour of Topaz Energy Corp. arising pursuant to the Existing Secured Royalty Agreement so long as such Security Interests are subject to a Royalty Subordination Agreement; and
- (bb) any extension, renewal or replacement (or successive extensions, renewals or replacements), as a whole or in part, of any Security Interest referred to in the preceding subparagraphs (a) to (z) inclusive of this definition, so long as any such extension, renewal or replacement of such Security Interest is limited to all or any part of the same property that secured the Security Interest extended, renewed or replaced (plus improvements on such property) and the indebtedness or obligation secured thereby is not increased,

provided that nothing in this definition shall in and of itself cause the Obligations hereunder to be subordinated in priority of payment to any such Permitted Encumbrance or cause any Security Interests in favour of the Lenders or the Agent on behalf of the Lenders to rank subordinate to any such Permitted Encumbrance.

"Permitted Financial Assistance" means, except with the prior written consent of the Majority of the Lenders, the provision of Financial Assistance which is not otherwise permitted under Section 10.2(n) if the aggregate amount of such Financial Assistance, together with the aggregate amount of all Financial Assistance previously made pursuant to this definition since the last determination of the Borrowing Base, is less than the Threshold Amount at the time of the provision of such Financial Assistance.

"Permitted Hedging" means Financial Instruments:

- (a) which are entered into in the ordinary course of business and for hedging purposes and not for speculative purposes (determined, where relevant, by reference to GAAP); for certainty, Interest Hedging Agreements having as a subject matter principal amounts (either individually or in the aggregate, but determined on a net basis taking into account transactions or agreements entered into to reverse the position or limit the exposure under an existing Interest Hedging Agreement) greater than the aggregate liability of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries for borrowed money shall be deemed to be for speculative purposes;
- (b) which have a term of 2 years or less (for certainty, for all purposes relating hereto and to the other Documents, (i) the term of any Financial Instrument shall commence on the date that the Financial Instrument in question is entered into notwithstanding the fact that the effective date of such Financial Instrument, or other date from which payments or deliveries are to be made or determined thereunder, is subsequent to the date such Financial Instrument is entered into and (ii) without limiting the foregoing, and in addition thereto, the term of a swap transaction or other transaction entered into pursuant to or governed by a Master Agreement published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. (including by International Swap Dealers Association, Inc.) or any successor thereto shall commence on the trade date thereof); and
- (c) which, taken in the aggregate with other outstanding Financial Instruments and as determined at the time such Financial Instrument is entered into, shall not result in the Borrower and its Subsidiaries having entered into:
 - (i) Currency Hedging Agreements or Interest Hedging Agreements, in either case, in excess of [redacted] of the underlying exposure of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries to the risk hedged or sought to be hedged by such Financial Instruments; or

- (ii) Commodity Agreements where the aggregate daily quantity of Petroleum Substances which are the subject matter thereof, at the time such Commodity Agreements are entered into, exceeds:
 - (A) [redacted] of the Borrower's and its Subsidiaries aggregate average daily Expected Production (net of royalties) of Petroleum Substances for the twelve calendar months following the month in which any such Commodity Agreements are entered into; and
 - (B) [redacted] of the Borrower's and its Subsidiaries aggregate average daily Expected Production (net of royalties) of Petroleum Substances for the thirteen (13) through to and including the twenty-fourth (24) calendar month following the month in which any such Commodity Agreements are entered into.

"Permitted Investments" means:

- (a) Investments in or to the Borrower or a Guarantor;
- (b) Investments comprising the extension of credit by the Borrower or any one or more of its Material Subsidiaries for sales of inventory by the Borrower or any one or more of its Material Subsidiaries, in each case, in the ordinary course of business and which are recorded in accordance with GAAP as accounts receivable in the consolidated financial statements of the Borrower; and
- (c) any other Investment set forth in subparagraphs (a) through (f), inclusive, of the definition thereof which is not otherwise permitted pursuant to subparagraph (a) or (b) of this definition if the amount of such Investment, together with the aggregate amount of all Investments set forth in subparagraphs (a) through (f), inclusive, of the definition of Investments previously made pursuant to this subparagraph (c) since the last determination of the Borrowing Base, is not in excess of the Threshold Amount.

"Permitted Junior Debt" means all Debt created, incurred or issued by the Borrower and which is owing to the Junior Debt Creditors pursuant to the terms of a Junior Debt Financing Agreement, which Debt complies with all of the following criteria:

- (a) the aggregate principal amount of all such Debt (together with then outstanding principal amount of the Boulder VTB) at any one time outstanding shall not exceed Cdn.\$100,000,000 (or the Equivalent Amount thereof in United States Dollars or the Equivalent Amount thereof in any other currency) (to be determined using the exchange rate in effect on the date of incurrence of such Debt);
- (b) such Debt shall either be unsecured or secured by Security Interests ranking as a second lien behind the Security Interests created by the Security; provided that, such second lien Security Interests are subject to a Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement;
- (c) such Debt shall have an initial final maturity in respect of repayment of principal later than 180 days after the end of the then current earliest Maturity Date in effect at the time such Permitted Junior Debt is created, incurred, assumed or guaranteed;
- (d) no scheduled cash principal payments thereunder prior to the first anniversary after the then latest Maturity Date in effect at the time such Permitted Junior Debt is created, incurred, assumed or guaranteed;
- (e) no Default, Event of Default or Borrowing Base Shortfall is continuing at the time of creation, incurrence or issuance of such Debt or would exist immediately thereafter;
- (f) no mandatory redemption, amortization, purchase for cancellation or other repayment thereof (including any defeasance) in a circumstance when the Borrower is not also required to repay all Secured Obligations prior thereto;

- (g) no cross-default to other Debt (as opposed to a cross-acceleration thereto or a payment default on maturity) or any maintenance financial tests (as opposed to an incurrence test);
- (h) the material covenants, events of default or other terms of such Debt (taken as a whole) are no more restrictive on the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, in the aggregate, than the conditions, covenants, events of default and other terms of this Agreement; and
- (i) such Permitted Junior Debt shall be on customary terms for the "high yield" market or such other terms as may be satisfactory to the Agent and all of the Lenders, acting reasonably.

"Petroleum Substances" means any one or more of crude oil, oil sands, crude bitumen, synthetic crude oil, petroleum, natural gas, natural gas liquids, related hydrocarbons and any and all other substances, whether liquid, solid or gaseous, whether hydrocarbons or not, produced or producible in association with any of the foregoing, including hydrogen sulphide and sulphur.

"Platform" has the meaning set out in Section 16.16.

"Power of Attorney" means a power of attorney provided by the Borrower to a Lender with respect to Bankers' Acceptances in accordance with and pursuant to Section 6.4 hereof.

"Prepaid Obligations" means "take or pay", forward sale, prepaid or similar liabilities of a person whereby such person is obligated to settle, at some future date, an obligation in respect of Petroleum Substances, whether by deliveries (accelerated or otherwise) of Petroleum Substances, the payment of money or otherwise, including the transfer of any Petroleum Substances, whether in place or when produced, for a period of time until, or of an amount such that, the lender or purchaser will realize therefrom a specified amount of money (however determined, including by reference to interest rates or other factors which may not be fixed) or a specified amount of such products or any interest in property of the character commonly referred to as a "production payment" and all such obligations for which such person is liable without having received and retained a payment therefor or having assumed such obligation; provided that, for certainty, "Prepaid Obligations" shall not include obligations for the transportation, processing or shipment of Petroleum Substances pursuant to agreements therefor entered into in the ordinary course of business.

"Purchase Money Obligation" means any monetary obligation created or assumed as part of the purchase price of real or tangible personal property, whether or not secured, any extensions, renewals or refundings of any such obligation, provided that the principal amount of such obligation outstanding on the date of such extension, renewal or refunding is not increased and further provided that any security given in respect of such obligation shall not extend to any property other than the property acquired in connection with which such obligation was created or assumed and fixed improvements, if any, erected or constructed thereon and the proceeds thereof.

"QFC" has the meaning assigned to the term "qualified financial contract" in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 U.S.C. 5390(c)(8)(D).

"QFC Credit Support" has the meaning set out in Section 11.11(1).

"Qualified ECP Guarantor" means, in respect of any Financial Instrument Obligation, as applicable, the Borrower or a Subsidiary (that provides a guarantee to the Agent, the Lenders, the Hedging Affiliates and the Cash Managers) that has total assets exceeding U.S.\$10,000,000 at the time the relevant guarantee or grant of the relevant security interest becomes effective with respect to such Financial Instrument Obligation or such other person as constitutes an "eligible contract participant" under the Commodity Exchange Act or any regulations promulgated thereunder and can cause another person to qualify as an "eligible contract participant" at such time by entering into a keepwell under Section 1a(18)(A)(v)(II) of the Commodity Exchange Act.

"Quarter End" means March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 in each year.

"Rateable" and **"Rateably"** means, at any date of determination, the proportion that the Equivalent Amount in Canadian Dollars of the amount of the Obligations, Cash Management Obligations and Lender Financial Instrument

Obligations of any Lender (including, for certainty, as each Cash Manager) and Hedging Affiliates thereof bears to the aggregate of the Equivalent Amount in Canadian Dollars of the Obligations, Cash Management Obligations and Lender Financial Instrument Obligations of all Lenders and Hedging Affiliates, as determined at the Adjustment Time.

"Rateable Portion" means, as regards any Lender, with regard to any amount of money, (subject to Section 6.5 in respect of the rounding of allocations of Bankers' Acceptances):

- (a) in respect of the Syndicated Facility and Drawdowns, Conversions, Rollovers and Loans and other amounts payable thereunder, the product obtained by multiplying that amount by the quotient obtained by dividing (i) that Lender's Syndicated Facility Commitment by (ii) the aggregate of all of the Lenders' Syndicated Facility Commitments; and
- (b) in respect of the Operating Facility and Drawdowns, Conversions, Rollovers and Loans and other amounts payable thereunder, the product obtained by multiplying that amount by the quotient obtained by dividing (i) that Lender's Operating Facility Commitment by (ii) the aggregate of all of the Lenders' Operating Facility Commitments.

"RBSL" has the meaning set out in Section 13.1(1)(b).

"Realization Proceeds" has the meaning set out in Section 12.7.

"Refinitiv Screen CDOR Page" means the display designated as page "CDOR" (or any display substituted therefor) of Refinitiv Benchmark Services (UK) Limited (or any other person which takes over the administration of that rate) for purposes of displaying Canadian Dollar bankers' acceptance rates.

"Related Party" means any person which is any one or more of the following:

- (a) an Affiliate of the Borrower or any Subsidiary thereof;
- (b) a unitholder, shareholder or partner of the Borrower or any Subsidiary which, together with all Affiliates of such person, owns or controls, directly or indirectly, more than 10% of the Equity Interests (however designated) of the Borrower or any Subsidiary, or an Affiliate of any such unitholder, shareholder or partner;
- (c) an officer, director or trustee of any of the foregoing; and
- (d) a person which does not deal at arm's length (within the meaning of the *Income Tax Act (Canada)*) with the Borrower and its Subsidiaries,

for so long as the Boulder VTB is outstanding, West Lake Energy Corp. (or any person or persons which may become the assignee(s) of the same) shall be deemed to be Related Parties for all purposes of this Agreement.

"Release" means any release, spill, emission, leak, pumping, injection, deposit, disposal, discharge, dispersal, leaching or migration into the environment including the movement of Hazardous Materials through ambient air, soil, surface water, ground water, wetlands, land or sub surface strata.

"Relevant Governmental Body" means:

- (a) in respect of any SOFR Loan (or any Benchmark Replacement thereof), the Federal Reserve Board or the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, or a committee officially endorsed or convened by the Federal Reserve Board or the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, or any successor thereto; and
- (b) in respect of Bankers' Acceptances and any CAD Benchmark Loan, the Bank of Canada, or a committee officially endorsed or convened by the Bank of Canada, or any successor thereto.

"Relevant Jurisdiction" means any jurisdiction in Canada in which (a) the Borrower or a Subsidiary directly owns P&NG Rights or P&NG Leases (or large facilities or other physical assets relevant to the determination of the Liability Management Rating) and (b) the aggregate ARO Liabilities of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries in such jurisdiction exceed the Threshold Amount.

"Repayment Notice" means a notice substantially in the form annexed hereto as Schedule F to be given to the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) by the Borrower pursuant hereto.

"Requested Lenders" has the meaning set out in Section 2.19.

"Required Permits" means all Governmental Authorizations which are necessary at any given time for the Borrower and each of its Subsidiaries to own and operate its property, assets, rights and interests or to carry on its business and affairs.

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

"Rollover" means:

- (a) with respect to any SOFR Loan, the continuation of all or a portion of such Loan (subject to the provisions hereof) for an additional Interest Period subsequent to the initial or any subsequent Interest Period applicable thereto;
- (b) with respect to any Bankers' Acceptances, the issuance of new Bankers' Acceptances or the making of new BA Equivalent Advances (subject to the provisions hereof) in respect of all or any portion of Bankers' Acceptances (or BA Equivalent Advances made in lieu thereof) maturing at the end of the Interest Period applicable thereto, all in accordance with Article 6 hereof; and
- (c) with respect to Letters of Credit, the extension or replacement of an existing Letter of Credit, provided the beneficiary thereof (including any successors or permitted assigns thereof) remains the same, the maximum amount available to be drawn thereunder is not increased, the currency in which the same is denominated remains the same and the terms upon which the same may be drawn remain the same,

in each case, under the same Credit Facility under which the maturing Loan was made.

"Rollover Date" means the date of commencement of a new Interest Period applicable to a Loan and which shall be a Banking Day.

"Rollover Notice" means a notice substantially in the form annexed hereto as Schedule G to be given to the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) by the Borrower pursuant hereto.

"Royalty Owner" means, in respect of the Existing Secured Royalty Agreement, Topaz Energy Corp. and, in respect of each other Secured Royalty Agreement, the person in whose favour the Borrower or a Subsidiary has granted a royalty pursuant to any such Secured Royalty Agreement.

"Royalty Subordination Agreements" means, collectively, each subordination agreement from time to time executed and delivered to the Agent by a Royalty Owner in respect of a Secured Royalty Agreement (each such subordination agreement in form and substance satisfactory to the Agent and Lenders).

"S&P" means the S&P Global Ratings, a division of S&P Global Inc., its Affiliates and any successors thereto.

"Sale-Leaseback" means an arrangement, transaction or series of arrangements or transactions under which title to any real property, tangible personal property or fixture is transferred by the Borrower or a Subsidiary (a "transferor") to another person which leases or otherwise grants the right to use such property to the transferor (or nominee of the

transferor) and, whether or not in connection therewith, the transferor also acquires a right or is subject to an obligation to acquire such property or a material portion thereof, and regardless of the accounting treatment of such arrangement, transaction or series of arrangements or transactions.

"Sanctioned Person" means:

- (a) a person that is designated under, listed on, or owned or controlled by a person designated under or listed on, or acting on behalf of a person designated under or listed on, any Sanctions List;
- (b) a person that is located in, incorporated under the laws of, or owned or (directly or indirectly) controlled by, or acting on behalf of, a person located in or organized under the laws of a country or territory that is the target of country-wide or territory-wide Sanctions;
- (c) a person that is otherwise a target of Sanctions ("target of Sanctions" signifying a person with whom a person or other national of a Sanctions Authority would be prohibited or restricted by law from engaging in trade, business or other activities); or
- (d) any other person to which one or more Lenders would not be permitted to make a loan, or provide funding, in accordance with the Sanctions, or otherwise deal with pursuant to the Sanctions.

"Sanctions" means the economic sanctions laws, regulations, orders, embargoes or restrictive measures administered, enacted or enforced by any Sanctions Authority, including any sanctions or requirements imposed by, or based upon the obligations or authorities set forth in, the *Special Economic Measures Act* (Canada), the *United Nations Act* (Canada), the *Criminal Code* (Canada), the *Freezing of Assets of Corrupt Foreign Officials Act* (Canada), the *Justice for Victims of Corrupt Foreign Officials Act (Sergei Magnitsky Law)* (Canada), the *Export and Import Permits Act* (Canada), the Executive Order, the *U.S. Bank Secrecy Act* (31 U.S.C. §§ 5311 et seq.), the *U.S. Money Laundering Control Act of 1986* (18 U.S.C. §§ 1956 et seq.), the *USA Patriot Act of 2001*, the *U.S. International Emergency Economic Powers Act* (50 U.S.C. §§ 1701 et seq.), the *U.S. Trading with the Enemy Act* (50 U.S.C. App. §§ 1 et seq.), the *U.S. United Nations Participation Act*, the *U.S. Syria Accountability and Lebanese Sovereignty Act*, the *U.S. Comprehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability, and Divestment Act of 2010* or the *Iran Sanctions Act* (United States), or any of the foreign assets control regulations of the U.S. Department of the Treasury (including but not limited to 31 CFR, Subtitle B, Chapter V) or any other law or executive order relating thereto or regulation administered by OFAC.

"Sanctions Authority" means any of: (a) the Canadian government; (b) the United States government; (c) the United Nations; (d) the European Union; (e) the United Kingdom; or (f) the respective governmental institutions, departments and agencies of any of the foregoing, including Global Affairs Canada, Public Safety Canada, OFAC, the United States Department of State, and Her Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom; and **"Sanctions Authorities"** means all of the foregoing Sanctions Authorities, collectively.

"Sanctions List" means the "Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons" list maintained by OFAC, the Consolidated List of Financial Sanctions Targets and the Investment Ban List maintained by Her Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom, or any substantially similar list maintained by, or public announcement of Sanctions designation made by, any of the Sanctions Authorities.

"Schedule I Lender" means a Lender which is a Canadian chartered bank listed on Schedule I to the *Bank Act* (Canada).

"Schedule II Lender" means a Lender which is a Canadian chartered bank listed on Schedule II to the *Bank Act* (Canada).

"Schedule III Lender" means a Lender which is an authorized foreign bank listed on Schedule III to the *Bank Act* (Canada).

"Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement" means an intercreditor agreement to be entered into among the Borrower, the Guarantors, the holders of Permitted Junior Debt (or their representative(s)), and the Agent on behalf of itself, the Lenders, the Cash Managers and the Hedging Affiliates, as such intercreditor agreement may be amended, restated, supplemented or replaced from time to time in accordance with its terms, which intercreditor agreement shall be on customary terms for the "high yield" market and otherwise in form and substance satisfactory to the Agent and all of the Lenders (each acting reasonably).

"Secured Documents" means, collectively, the Documents, the Lender Financial Instruments and the Cash Management Documents.

"Secured Obligations" means, collectively, the Obligations, the Cash Management Obligations, the Lender Financial Instrument Obligations and the Erroneous Payment Subrogation Rights.

"Secured Royalty Agreement" means (a) the Existing Secured Royalty Agreement and (b) each other agreement entered into by the Borrower or a Subsidiary relating to the granting by the Borrower or any such Subsidiary of a royalty in, to or against their respective P&NG Rights and pursuant to such agreement the Borrower or such Subsidiary grants a Security Interest in all or any portion of such P&NG Rights and/or a Security Interests in all or any portion of any wells, equipment, facilities and/or other personal property associated with the exploration, development or operation of such P&NG Rights or as security for the obligations of the Borrower or such Subsidiary under such agreement; provided that, for certainty, if the Security Interests to be granted by the Borrower or such Subsidiary are not Permitted Encumbrances, the entering into of such agreement shall be subject to the consent of the Majority of the Lenders, each acting reasonably.

"Secured Parties" means, collectively, the Agent, the Lenders, the Cash Managers and the Hedging Affiliates and **"Secured Party"** means any one of them.

"Security" means, collectively, the guarantees, debentures, debenture pledge agreements, pledge agreements, assignments and other security agreements executed and delivered, or required to be executed and delivered, by the Borrower and the Material Subsidiaries under and pursuant to this Agreement and shall include (a) in respect of the Borrower, the guarantee, the floating charge demand debenture, the debenture pledge agreement and the general security agreement substantially in the forms of Schedules H-1, H-2, H-3 and H-4, respectively, annexed hereto with such modifications and insertions as may be required by the Agent, acting reasonably, and (b) in respect of each Material Subsidiary, a guarantee, a floating charge demand debenture, a debenture pledge agreement and a general security agreement substantially in the forms of Schedules H-5, H-6, H-7 and H-8, respectively, annexed hereto with such modifications and insertions as may be required by the Agent, acting reasonably.

"Security Interest" means mortgages, charges, pledges, hypothecs, assignments by way of security, conditional sales or other title retention arrangements, security created under the *Bank Act* (Canada), liens, encumbrances, security interests or other interests in property, howsoever created or arising, whether fixed or floating, perfected or not, which secure payment or performance of an obligation and, including, in any event:

- (a) deposits or transfers of cash, marketable securities or other financial assets under any agreement or arrangement whereby such cash, securities or assets may be withdrawn, returned or transferred only upon fulfilment of any condition as to the discharge of any other indebtedness or other obligation to any creditor;
- (b) (i) rights of set-off or (ii) any other right of or arrangement of any kind with any creditor, which in any case are made, created or entered into, as the case may be, for the purpose of or having the effect (directly or indirectly) of (A) securing Debt, (B) preferring some holders of Debt over other holders of Debt or (C) having the claims of any creditor be satisfied prior to the claims of other creditors with or from the proceeds of any properties, assets or revenues of any kind now owned or later acquired (other than, with respect to (C) only, rights of set-off granted or arising in the ordinary course of business);
- (c) the rights of lessors under Finance Leases, and any other lease financing; and

- (d) absolute assignments of accounts receivable, except for absolute assignments of accounts receivable made in conjunction with a sale of related P&NG Rights which is permitted by the provisions hereof.

"**Shale**" means Shale Petroleum Ltd.

"**Shale Acquisition Agreement**" means the share purchase agreement made as of July 5, 2023 among the Borrower, HR Exploration & Energy GMBH, Rafriver Ltd. and Shale.

"**Shale Transaction**" means the acquisition by the Borrower of issued and outstanding shares of Shale representing approximately 93% of all of the issued and outstanding shares of Shale pursuant to the terms of the Shale Acquisition Agreement.

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

"**SOFR Administrator**" means the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (or a successor administrator of the secured overnight financing rate).

"**SOFR Interpolated Rate**" means, for any SOFR Loan for a Non-Standard Interest Period, the rate per annum determined by, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent, or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (as the case may be) (which determination shall be conclusive and binding absent manifest error) to be equal to the rate that results from interpolating on a linear basis between: (a) Adjusted Term SOFR for the longest Interest Period that is not a Non-Standard Interest Period for which Adjusted Term SOFR is available that is shorter than the Non-Standard Interest Period of such SOFR Loan and (b) Adjusted Term SOFR for the shortest Interest Period that is not a Non-Standard Interest Period for which Adjusted Term SOFR is available that exceeds the Non-Standard Interest Period of such SOFR Loan, in each case, at such time; provided that, when determining the SOFR Interpolated Rate for a Non-Standard Interest Period which is less than one month, the SOFR Interpolated Rate shall be deemed to be Adjusted Term SOFR for an Interest Period of one-month's duration.

"**SOFR Loan**" means an Advance in, or Conversion into, United States Dollars made by the Lenders (or any one of them) to the Borrower with respect to which the Borrower has specified or a provision hereof requires that interest is to be calculated by reference to Adjusted Term SOFR (including a Rollover thereof), other than pursuant to subparagraph (c) of the definition of "U.S. Base Rate".

"**Subsidiary**" means, with respect to any person ("**X**"):

- (a) any corporation of which at least a majority of the outstanding shares having by the terms thereof ordinary voting power to elect a majority of the board of directors of such corporation (irrespective of whether at the time shares of any other class or classes of such corporation might have voting power by reason of the happening of any contingency, unless the contingency has occurred and then only for as long as it continues) is at the time directly, indirectly or beneficially owned or controlled by X or one or more of its Subsidiaries, or X and one or more of its Subsidiaries;
- (b) any partnership of which, at the time, X, or one or more of its Subsidiaries, or X and one or more of its Subsidiaries: (i) directly, indirectly or beneficially own or control more than 50% of the income, capital, beneficial or ownership interests (however designated) thereof; and (ii) is a general partner, in the case of limited partnerships, or is a partner or has authority to bind the partnership, in all other cases; or
- (c) any other person of which at least a majority of the income, capital, beneficial or ownership interests (however designated) are at the time directly, indirectly or beneficially owned or controlled by X, or one or more of its Subsidiaries, or X and one or more of its Subsidiaries,

provided that, unless otherwise expressly provided or the context otherwise requires, references herein or in any other Document to "Subsidiary" or "Subsidiaries" shall be and shall be deemed to be references to a Subsidiary or Subsidiaries of the Borrower.

"**Successor**" has the meaning set out in Section 10.2(1).

"**Successor Agent**" has the meaning set out in Section 15.10.

"**Supported QFC**" has the meaning set out in Section 11.11(1).

"**Syndicated Facility**" means the credit facility in the maximum principal amount of [*redacted - dollar amount*] or the Equivalent Amount thereof in United States Dollars to be made available to the Borrower by the Lenders in accordance with the provisions hereof, subject to any reduction in accordance with the provisions hereof.

"**Syndicated Facility Commitment**" means the commitment by each Lender under the Syndicated Facility to provide the amount of Canadian Dollars (or the Equivalent Amount thereof in United States Dollars) set forth opposite its name in Schedule A annexed hereto, subject to any reduction in accordance with the provisions hereof.

"**Syndicated Facility Extension Request**" has the meaning set out in Section 2.19(1).

"**Syndicated Facility Maturity Date**" means, in respect of the Obligations owing to a given Lender under the Syndicated Facility, the date which is one day prior to the first anniversary of the Syndicated Facility Term Out Date applicable to such Lender.

"**Syndicated Facility Partial Extension**" has the meaning set out in Section 2.19(6).

"**Syndicated Facility Term Out Date**" means August 3, 2024 or such later date to which the same may be extended from time to time with respect to a given Lender in accordance with Section 2.19.

"**Syndicated Facility Term Period**" means, for each Lender, the period commencing on its Syndicated Facility Term Out Date and ending on its Syndicated Facility Maturity Date.

"**Taxes**" means all taxes, charges, fees, levies, imposts and other assessments, including all income, sales, use, goods and services, harmonized, value added, capital, capital gains, alternative, franchise, net worth, branch transfer, land transfer, profits, withholding, payroll, employer health, excise, stamp, registration, court, documentary, real property and personal property taxes, intangible, mortgage, recording, filing, and any other taxes, customs or other duties, deductions, fees, compulsory loans or restrictions or conditions resulting in charges, assessments, or similar charges in the nature of a tax, including Canada Pension Plan and provincial pension plan contributions, employment insurance payments and workers' compensation premiums, together with any instalments with respect thereto, and any interest, fines and penalties with respect thereto, imposed by any Governmental Authority (including federal, state, provincial, territorial, municipal and foreign Governmental Authorities), and whether disputed or not, which are imposed, levied, collected, withheld or assessed by any country or political subdivision or taxing authority thereof now or at any time in the future, together with interest thereon and penalties, charges or other amounts with respect thereto, if any, and "Tax" and "Taxation" shall be construed accordingly.

"**Term CORRA**" means, for the applicable corresponding tenor, the forward-looking term rate based on CORRA that has been selected or recommended by the Relevant Governmental Body, and that is published by an authorized benchmark administrator and is displayed on a screen or other information service, as identified or selected by, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent, or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender, in its discretion, acting reasonably, at approximately a time and as of a date prior to the commencement of an Interest Period determined by the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) in its discretion, acting reasonably, in a manner substantially consistent with market practice.

"Term CORRA Notice" means the notification by, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent to the Lenders and the Borrower, or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender to the Borrower, of the occurrence of a Term CORRA Transition Event.

"Term CORRA Transition Date" means, in the case of a Term CORRA Transition Event, the date that is set forth in the Term CORRA Notice provided to the Lenders and the Borrower, for the replacement of the then-current Benchmark Replacement for the CDOR Reference Rate with the Benchmark Replacement described in clause (b)(i)(A) of such definition, which date shall be at least thirty Banking Days from the date of the Term CORRA Notice.

"Term CORRA Transition Event" means the determination by, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent, or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender, that (a) Term CORRA has been recommended for use by the Relevant Governmental Body, and is determinable for any Available Tenor, (b) the administration of Term CORRA is administratively feasible for the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) and (c) a Benchmark Replacement, other than Term CORRA, has replaced the CDOR Reference Rate in accordance with Section 13.1(1).

"Term Out Date" means either the Syndicated Facility Term Out Date or the Operating Facility Term Out Date, as the context requires.

"Term SOFR" means, for any calculation with respect to a SOFR Loan or a U.S. Base Rate Loan, the Term SOFR Reference Rate (rounded upward to the nearest fifth decimal place, if necessary) for a tenor comparable to the applicable Interest Period on the day (the **"Term SOFR Determination Day"**) that is two (2) U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to the first day of such Interest Period, as such rate is published by the Term SOFR Administrator; provided that: (a) if as of 5:00 p.m. (New York City time) on any Term SOFR Determination Day the Term SOFR Reference Rate for the applicable tenor has not been published by the Term SOFR Administrator and a Benchmark Replacement Date with respect to the Term SOFR Reference Rate has not occurred, then Term SOFR will be the Term SOFR Reference Rate for such tenor as published by the Term SOFR Administrator on the first preceding U.S. Government Securities Business Day for which such Term SOFR Reference Rate for such tenor was published by the Term SOFR Administrator so long as such first preceding U.S. Government Securities Business Day is not more than three (3) U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to such Term SOFR Determination Day; (b) if such first preceding U.S. Government Securities Business Day is more than three (3) U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to such Term SOFR Determination Day, Section 13.1 will apply; and (c) if Term SOFR as so determined above for any day shall be less than the Floor, such rate shall be deemed to be the Floor for such day.

"Term SOFR Adjustment" means, with respect to Term SOFR, [redacted] per annum for an Interest Period of one-month's duration, [redacted] per annum for an Interest Period of three-months' duration, and [redacted] per annum for an Interest Period of six-months' duration.

"Term SOFR Administrator" means CME Group Benchmark Administration Limited (CBA) (or a successor administrator of the Term SOFR Reference Rate selected by, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (as the case may be) in its discretion, acting reasonably).

"Term SOFR Determination Day" has the meaning assigned to it under the definition of Term SOFR.

"Term SOFR Reference Rate" means the forward-looking term rate based on SOFR.

"Threshold Amount" means [redacted] of the then applicable Borrowing Base (or the Equivalent Amount thereof in U.S. Dollars or the equivalent amount thereof in any other currency).

"Total Commitment" means, as at any relevant date of determination, an amount equal to the aggregate Commitments of all Lenders under the Credit Facilities.

"Transactions" means, collectively, the Offering, the Castlegate Transaction, the Boulder Transaction, the Shale Transaction and the Joel Convertible Debt Transaction (including, for certainty, the Joel Conversion).

"Transactions Documents" means, collectively, the Boulder Acquisition Agreement, the Castlegate Acquisition Agreement, the Shale Acquisition Agreement, the Offering Documents, the Boulder VTB, the Joel Guarantee, the Joel Convertible Debt Transaction Documents and all other material documentation relating to each of the foregoing.

"Transactions Drawdown" means the Drawdown of the Syndicated Facility to occur on the Transactions Drawdown Date, the proceeds of which shall be available for the purposes set forth in Section 2.3(a) (that is, to, subject to the limitations set forth in Section 3.2 hereof, finance (directly or indirectly) the Transactions, together with transaction costs and expenses related thereto on the Transactions Drawdown Date).

"Transactions Drawdown Date" means the date on which the conditions precedent set forth in Section 3.2 have been satisfied (or waived in writing by all of the Lenders in accordance with Section 3.3) and the Transactions Drawdown to be made on such date.

"UK Bribery Act" means the Bribery Act 2010 (United Kingdom), including any subordinate legislation thereunder.

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

"UK Resolution Authority" means the Bank of England or any other public administrative authority having responsibility for the resolution of any UK Financial Institution.

"Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement" means the applicable Benchmark Replacement excluding the related Benchmark Replacement Adjustment.

"Uniform Customs" has the meaning set out in Section 7.9(7).

"United States Dollars", **"U.S. Dollars"** or **"U.S.\$"** each means such currency of the United States of America which, as at the time of payment or determination, is legal tender therein for the payment of public or private debts.

"U.S. Base Rate" means, for any day, the greatest of:

- (a) the rate of interest per annum established from time to time by the Agent or the Operating Lender, as the case may be, as the reference rate of interest for the determination of interest rates that the Agent or the Operating Lender, as the case may be, will charge to customers in Canada for United States Dollar demand loans in Canada;
- (b) the rate of interest per annum for such day or, if such day is not a Banking Day, on the immediately preceding Banking Day, equal to the sum of the Federal Funds Rate (expressed for such purpose as a yearly rate per annum, on the basis of a year of 365 days, in accordance with Section 5.4), plus *[redacted]* per annum; and
- (c) the Adjusted Term SOFR for a one-month tenor in effect for such day plus *[redacted]* per annum,

provided that (i) if all such rates are equal or if such Federal Funds Rate and such Adjusted Term SOFR are unavailable for any reason on the date of determination, then the "U.S. Base Rate" shall be the rate specified in (a) above and (ii) if the rate determined as aforesaid shall ever be less than the Floor, such rate shall be deemed to be the Floor for all purposes of this Agreement.

"U.S. Base Rate Loan" means an Advance in, or Conversion into, United States Dollars made by the Lenders (or any one of them) to the Borrower with respect to which the Borrower has specified or a provision hereof requires that interest is to be calculated by reference to the U.S. Base Rate.

"U.S.C." means the *U.S. Code* (United States).

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

"**U.S. Special Resolution Regime**" has the meaning set out in Section 11.11(1).

"**Voting Securities**" means:

- (a) shares of any class of any corporation or other Equity Interests of any other person which carries voting rights to elect the board of directors (or other persons performing similar functions) under any circumstances; provided that, for purposes of this definition, Equity Interests which carry the right to so vote conditionally on the happening of an event (and do not carry any other right to so vote) shall not be considered Voting Securities until the occurrence of such event; and
- (b) an interest in a general partnership, limited partnership, trust, limited liability company, joint venture or similar person which entitles the holder of such interest to receive a share of the profits, or on dissolution or partition, of the assets, of such person.

"**Wholly-Owned Subsidiary**" means, with respect to any person ("**X**"):

- (a) a corporation, all of the issued and outstanding shares in the capital of which are beneficially held by:
 - (i) X;
 - (ii) X and one or more corporations, where all of the issued and outstanding shares in the capital of such corporations are held by X; or
 - (iii) two or more corporations, where all of the issued and outstanding shares in the capital of such corporations are held by X;
- (b) a corporation which is a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary of a corporation that is a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary of X;
- (c) a partnership, all of the partners of which are X and/or Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries of X; or
- (d) any person of which all of the income, capital, beneficial and ownership interests (however designated) are beneficially owned and controlled by the X and/or Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries of X,

provided that unless otherwise expressly provided or the context otherwise requires, references herein or in any other Document to "Wholly-Owned Subsidiary" or "Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries" shall be and shall be deemed to be references to Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries of the Borrower that are Subsidiaries.

"**Write-Down and Conversion Powers**" means:

- (a) with respect to any EEA Resolution Authority, the write-down and conversion powers of such EEA Resolution Authority from time to time under the Bail-In Legislation for the applicable EEA Member Country, which write-down and conversion powers are described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule; and
- (b) with respect to the United Kingdom, any powers of the applicable UK Resolution Authority under the Bail-In Legislation to cancel, reduce, modify or change the form of a liability of any UK

Financial Institution or any contract or instrument under which that liability arises, to convert all or part of that liability into shares, securities or obligations of that person or any other person, to provide that any such contract or instrument is to have effect as if a right had been exercised under it or to suspend any obligation in respect of that liability or any of the powers under that Bail-In Legislation that are related to or ancillary to any of those powers.

1.2 Headings; Articles and Sections; Table of Contents

The division of this Agreement into Articles and Sections, the table of contents contained herein and the insertion of headings are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of this Agreement. The terms "this Agreement", "hereof", "hereunder" and similar expressions refer to this Agreement and not to any particular Article, Section or other portion hereof and include any agreement supplemental hereto. Unless something in the subject matter or context is inconsistent therewith, references herein to Articles and Sections are to Articles and Sections of this Agreement.

1.3 Number; persons; including; successors; in writing

Words importing the singular number only shall include the plural and vice versa, words importing the masculine gender shall include the feminine and neuter genders and vice versa, words importing persons shall include individuals, partnerships, associations, trusts, unincorporated organizations, Governmental Authorities and corporations and vice versa and words and terms denoting inclusiveness (such as "include" or "includes" or "including"), whether or not so stated, are not limited by their context or by the words or phrases which precede or succeed them. References herein to any person shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include such person's successors and permitted assigns. References herein to "in writing" or "written" includes printing, typewriting or any electronic means of communication capable of being visibly reproduced at the point of reception, including facsimile.

1.4 Accounting Principles

(1) Wherever in this Agreement reference is made to GAAP, such reference shall be deemed to be to the recommendations at the relevant time of the CPA, or any successor institute, applicable on a consolidated basis (unless otherwise expressly provided or contemplated herein to be applicable on (a) an unconsolidated basis or (b) a consolidated basis with certain exclusions of persons and/or property) as at the date on which such calculation or determination is made or required to be made in accordance with GAAP. Where the character or amount of any asset or liability or item of revenue or expense or amount of equity is required to be determined, or any consolidation or other accounting computation is required to be made for the purpose of this Agreement or any other Document, such determination or calculation shall, to the extent applicable and except as otherwise specified herein or as otherwise agreed in writing by the parties, be made in accordance with GAAP applied on a consistent basis.

(2) If the Borrower, the Agent or the Lenders determine at any time that any amount required to be determined hereunder would be materially different if such amount were determined in accordance with:

- (a) GAAP applied by the Borrower in respect of its financial statements on the date hereof ("**Old GAAP**"), rather than
- (b) GAAP subsequently in effect and applied by the Borrower in respect of its financial statements and utilized for purposes of determining such amount,

then written notice of such determination shall be delivered by the Borrower to the Agent, in the case of a determination by the Borrower, or by the Agent to the Borrower, in the case of a determination by the Agent or the Lenders.

(3) If the Borrower adopts a change in an accounting policy in the preparation of its financial statements in order to conform to accounting recommendations, guidelines, or similar pronouncements, or legislative requirements, and such change would require disclosure thereof under Old GAAP, or could reasonably be expected to adversely affect (a) the rights of, or the protections afforded to, the Agent or the Lenders hereunder or (b) the

position either of the Borrower or of the Agent or the Lenders hereunder, the Borrower shall so notify the Agent, describing the nature of the change and its effect on the current and immediately prior year's financial statements in accordance with Old GAAP and in detail sufficient for the Agent and the Lenders to make the determination required of them in the following sentence. If any of the Borrower, the Agent or the Lenders determine at any time that such change in accounting policy results in an adverse change either (i) in the rights of, or protections afforded to, the Agent or the Lenders intended to be derived, or provided for, hereunder or (ii) in the position either of the Borrower or of the Agent and the Lenders hereunder, written notice of such determination shall be delivered by the Borrower to the Agent, in the case of a determination by the Borrower, or by the Agent to the Borrower, in the case of a determination by the Agent or the Lenders.

(4) Upon the delivery of a written notice pursuant to Section 1.4(2) or Section 1.4(3), the Borrower and the Agent on behalf of the Lenders shall meet to consider the impact of such change in Old GAAP or such change in accounting policy, as the case may be, on the rights of, or protections afforded to, the Agent and the Lenders or on the position of the Borrower or of the Agent and the Lenders and shall in good faith negotiate to execute and deliver an amendment or amendments to this Agreement in order to preserve and protect the intended rights of, or protections afforded to, the Agent and the Lenders on the date hereof or the position of the Borrower or the Agent and the Lenders (as the case may be); provided that, until this Agreement has been amended in accordance with the foregoing, then for all purposes hereof, the applicable changes from Old GAAP or in accounting policy (as the case may be) shall be disregarded hereunder and any amount required to be determined hereunder shall, nevertheless, continue to be determined under Old GAAP and the Borrower's prior accounting policy. For the purposes of this Section 1.4, the Borrower, the Lenders and the Agent acknowledge that the amendment or amendments to this Agreement are to provide substantially the same rights and protection to the Agent and the Lenders as is intended by this Agreement on the date hereof. If the Borrower and the Agent on behalf of the Lenders do not (for any reason whatsoever) mutually agree (in their respective sole discretions, without any obligation to so agree) on such amendment or amendments to this Agreement within 60 days following the date of delivery of such written notice, the Borrower shall continue to provide financial statements in accordance with Old GAAP and, for all purposes hereof, the applicable changes from Old GAAP or in accounting policy (as the case may be) shall be disregarded hereunder and any amount required to be determined hereunder shall, nevertheless, continue to be determined under Old GAAP and the Borrower's prior accounting policy.

1.5 References to Agreements and Enactments

Reference herein to any agreement, instrument, licence or other document shall be deemed to include reference to such agreement, instrument, licence or other document as the same may from time to time be amended, modified, supplemented or restated in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement if and to the extent such provisions are applicable; and reference herein to any enactment shall be deemed to include reference to such enactment as re-enacted, amended or extended from time to time and to any successor enactment.

1.6 Per Annum Calculations

Unless otherwise stated, wherever in this Agreement reference is made to a rate "per annum" or a similar expression is used, such rate is expressed on the basis of, and shall be calculated on the basis of a year of 365 days.

1.7 Schedules

The following are the Schedules annexed hereto and incorporated by reference and deemed to be part hereof:

Schedule A	-	Lenders and Commitments
Schedule B	-	Assignment Agreement
Schedule C	-	Compliance Certificate
Schedule D	-	Conversion Notice
Schedule E	-	Drawdown Notice
Schedule F	-	Repayment Notice
Schedule G	-	Rollover Notice
Schedules H-1 to H-8	-	Security
Schedule I	-	Borrower and Subsidiaries.

1.8 Changes in Liability Management Rating System

If as a result of any change in any applicable law, rule, policy, regulation, order or directive (or in the interpretation of any thereof):

(1) any applicable Energy Regulator ceases to use a Liability Management Rating as a means of determining whether a person is in compliance with such Energy Regulator's abandonment and reclamation rules, policies, regulations, orders or directives in any Relevant Jurisdiction;

(2) a material change occurs in the methodology used in calculating the Liability Management Rating in any Relevant Jurisdiction (including any changes in the factors used to calculate such rating which would have a material effect upon the calculation of such rating); or

(3) a material change is made to the minimum Liability Management Rating thresholds in any Relevant Jurisdiction which are used to determine whether any licenses or permits, as applicable, for wells, facilities, pipelines and other physical assets relevant to the determination of the Liability Management Rating can be issued or transferred or whether any security deposits will be required to be provided to the applicable Energy Regulator;

then, in any such case, at the written request of the Agent or the Majority of the Lenders to the Borrower or of the Borrower to the Agent and the Lenders, the Borrower and the Agent shall enter into good faith discussions with a view to determining a comparable rating system, calculation or threshold, as applicable, to amend or replace the concept or usage of Liability Management Rating as set forth herein, with the objective of having the respective positions of the Lenders and the Borrower after such change(s) conform as nearly as possible to their respective positions immediately prior to such change(s); provided, that until any such agreement is reached, the Liability Management Rating and all related calculations and thresholds hereunder shall continue to be calculated as if no such change had occurred to the extent that the Liability Management Rating and such related calculations and thresholds are reasonably capable of being calculated notwithstanding such change(s).

Upon the Borrower and the Agent agreeing on such a comparable rating system, calculation or threshold, as applicable, the Borrower and the Lenders shall enter into documentation to amend the provisions hereof to give effect to such agreement and to make all other adjustments incidental thereto. The parties hereto agree that such amendment shall require the consent of the Majority of the Lenders, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, notwithstanding anything to the contrary set out herein.

1.9 Interest Rates; Benchmark Notification

The interest rate on a Loan may be derived from an interest rate benchmark that may be discontinued or is, or may in the future become, the subject of regulatory reform. Upon the occurrence of a Benchmark Transition Event, in respect of any Benchmark, Section 13.1 provides a mechanism for determining an alternative rate of interest. Neither the Agent nor any Lender warrants or accepts any responsibility for, and shall not have any liability with respect to (a) the continuation of, the administration of, submission of, calculation of, performance of or any other matter related to any interest rate used in this Agreement (including the Applicable CDOR Rate, Canadian Prime Rate, CDOR Rate, CDOR Reference Rate, U.S. Base Rate, Daily Simple SOFR, Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR, SOFR, Term SOFR Reference Rate, Adjusted Term SOFR, Term SOFR, Term CORRA or Daily Compounded CORRA) or any component definition thereof or rates referred to in the definition thereof, or with respect to any alternative or successor rate thereto, or replacement rate thereof (including any Benchmark Replacement), including whether the composition or characteristics of any such alternative, successor or replacement rate (including any Benchmark Replacement) will be similar to, or produce the same value or economic equivalence of, or have the same volume or liquidity as, the Applicable CDOR Rate, Canadian Prime Rate, CDOR Rate, CDOR Reference Rate, U.S. Base Rate, Daily Simple SOFR, Adjusted Daily Simple SOFR, SOFR, Term SOFR Reference Rate, Adjusted Term SOFR, Term SOFR, Term CORRA or Daily Compounded CORRA or any other Benchmark (or any component thereof) prior to its discontinuance or unavailability or (b) the effect, implementation or composition of any Conforming Changes. The Agent and any applicable Lender and their respective Affiliates and/or other related entities may engage in transactions

that affect the calculation of any interest rate (or component thereof) used in this Agreement or any alternative, successor or replacement rate (including any Benchmark Replacement) and/or any relevant adjustments thereto, in each case, in a manner adverse to the Borrower. The Agent and any applicable Lender may select information sources or services in its discretion, acting reasonably, to ascertain any interest rate used in this Agreement, any component thereof, or rates referred to in the definition thereof or any other Benchmark, in each case, pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, and shall have no liability to the Borrower, any Lender or any other person for damages of any kind, including direct or indirect, special, punitive, incidental or consequential damages, costs, losses or expenses (whether in tort, contract or otherwise and whether at law or in equity), for any error or calculation of any such rate (or component thereof) provided by any such information source or service.

ARTICLE 2 – THE CREDIT FACILITIES

2.1 The Credit Facilities

Subject to the terms and conditions hereof, each of the Lenders shall make available to the Borrower such Lender's Rateable Portion of each Credit Facility. Subject to Section 2.17, the Outstanding Principal under a given Credit Facility shall not exceed the maximum principal amount of such Credit Facility.

2.2 Types of Availments; Overdraft Loans

- (a) The Borrower may, in Canadian Dollars, make Drawdowns, Conversions and Rollovers under either of the Credit Facilities of Canadian Prime Rate Loans and Bankers' Acceptances and may, in United States Dollars, make Drawdowns, Conversions and Rollovers under either of the Credit Facilities of U.S. Base Rate Loans and SOFR Loans. In addition, the Borrower may make Drawdowns and Rollovers under the Credit Facilities of Letters of Credit denominated in Canadian Dollars or United States Dollars; provided that: (a) the aggregate Outstanding Principal represented by all outstanding Letters of Credit under the Syndicated Facility shall not exceed [redacted - dollar amount]; and (b) the aggregate Outstanding Principal of all Fronted LCs issued by a given Fronting Lender shall not exceed the Individual Fronting Limit applicable to such Fronting Lender. The Borrower shall have the option, subject to the terms and conditions hereof, to determine which types of Loans under the Credit Facilities shall be drawn down and in which combinations or proportions.
- (b) In addition to the foregoing, overdrafts arising from electronic funds transfers or clearance of cheques or drafts drawn on the Canadian Dollar accounts and United States Dollar accounts of the Borrower maintained with the Operating Lender, and designated by the Operating Lender for such purpose, shall be deemed to be outstanding as Canadian Prime Rate Loans and U.S. Base Rate Loans, respectively, under the Operating Facility (each, an "**Overdraft Loan**") and all references to Canadian Prime Rate Loans and U.S. Base Rate Loans (as applicable) shall include Overdraft Loans. For certainty, notwithstanding Section 2.6 or Section 2.14, no Drawdown Notice or Repayment Notice need be delivered by the Borrower in respect of Overdraft Loans and no Conversions of Overdraft Loans shall be permitted hereunder. Notwithstanding any other provision hereof to the contrary, no Overdraft Loans shall be available on or after the Operating Facility Term Out Date.

2.3 Purpose

The Credit Facilities are being made available for: (a) initially, to, subject to the limitations set forth in Section 3.2 hereof, finance (directly or indirectly) the Transactions, together with transaction costs and expenses related thereto on the Transactions Drawdown Date; and (b) thereafter, the general corporate purposes of the Borrower; provided that, the Borrower shall not use the proceeds of any Loan under any Credit Facility (directly or indirectly) to finance a Hostile Acquisition or to provide funds to any of its Subsidiaries or Affiliates or other person to finance (directly or indirectly) a Hostile Acquisition.

2.4 Availability and Nature of the Credit Facilities

- (a) Subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the Borrower may make Drawdowns under a Credit Facility in respect of the Commitments of a given Lender prior to, and only prior to, the Term Out Date applicable thereto.
- (b) Prior to the Term Out Date applicable to a Lender, such Credit Facility shall be a revolving credit facility; that is, the Borrower may increase or decrease Loans under such Credit Facility by making Drawdowns, repayments and further Drawdowns. Subject to Sections 2.19 and 2.20, as applicable, on the Term Out Date applicable to a Lender under a Credit Facility, the unutilized portion of such Lender's Commitment thereunder shall be cancelled and the Borrower shall not be entitled to make further Drawdowns in respect of such cancelled portion.
- (c) For certainty, except for the provision of Letters of Credit which are subject to being cash collateralized in accordance with Section 2.16(2), in no event shall a Lender be required to fund, participate in, or otherwise provide any portion of a Loan which has a maturity date or expiry date, or which has an Interest Period which will expire, after the Maturity Date applicable to such Lender. Except for the provision of Letters of Credit which are subject to being cash collateralized in accordance with Section 2.16(2), in no event shall the Borrower request, or be entitled to obtain, a Loan which has a maturity or expiry date, or which has an Interest Period which will expire after the earliest Maturity Date then applicable to a Lender.

2.5 Minimum Drawdowns

(1) Each Drawdown under the Syndicated Facility of the following types of Loans shall be in the following amounts indicated:

- (a) Bankers' Acceptances in minimum aggregate amounts of [redacted - dollar amount] at maturity and Drawdowns in excess thereof in integral multiples of [redacted - dollar amount];
- (b) SOFR Loans in minimum principal amounts of [redacted - dollar amount] and Drawdowns in excess thereof in integral multiples of [redacted - dollar amount];
- (c) Canadian Prime Rate Loans in minimum principal amounts of [redacted - dollar amount] and Drawdowns in excess thereof in integral multiples of [redacted - dollar amount]; and
- (d) U.S. Base Rate Loans in minimum principal amounts of [redacted - dollar amount] and Drawdowns in excess thereof in integral multiples of [redacted - dollar amount].

(2) Each Drawdown under the Operating Facility of the following types of Loans shall be in the following amounts indicated:

- (a) Bankers' Acceptances in minimum aggregate amounts of [redacted - dollar amount] at maturity and Drawdowns in excess thereof in integral multiples of [redacted - dollar amount]; and
- (b) SOFR Loans in minimum principal amounts of [redacted - dollar amount] and Drawdowns in excess thereof in integral multiples of [redacted - dollar amount].

2.6 Notice Periods for Drawdowns, Conversions and Rollovers

(1) Subject to the provisions hereof, or in such shorter time as all of the Lenders may otherwise agree, the Borrower may make a Drawdown, Conversion or Rollover under the Syndicated Facility by delivering a Drawdown Notice, Conversion Notice or Rollover Notice, as the case may be (executed in accordance with the definition of Officer's Certificate), with respect to a specified type of Loan to the Agent not later than:

- (a) 10:00 a.m. (Calgary time) three Banking Days prior to the proposed Drawdown Date, Conversion Date or Rollover Date, as the case may be, for the Drawdown of, Conversion into or the Rollover of SOFR Loans;
- (b) 10:00 a.m. (Calgary time) two Banking Days prior to the proposed Drawdown Date, Conversion Date or Rollover Date, as the case may be, for the Drawdown of, Conversion into or Rollover of Bankers' Acceptances;
- (c) 10:00 a.m. (Calgary time) one Banking Day prior to the proposed Drawdown Date or Conversion Date, as the case may be, for Drawdowns of or Conversions into Canadian Prime Rate Loans and/or U.S. Base Rate Loans; and
- (d) 10:00 a.m. (Calgary time) three Banking Days prior to the proposed Drawdown Date or Rollover Date, as the case may be, for the Drawdown or Rollover of Letters of Credit.

(2) Subject to the provisions hereof (or in such shorter time as the Operating Lender may otherwise agree), the Borrower may make a Drawdown, Conversion or Rollover under the Operating Facility by delivering a Drawdown Notice, Conversion Notice or Rollover Notice, as the case may be (executed in accordance with the definition of Officer's Certificate), with respect to a specified type of Loan to the Operating Lender (with a copy to Agent) not later than:

- (a) 10:00 a.m. (Calgary time) three Banking Days prior to the proposed Drawdown Date, Conversion Date or Rollover Date, as the case may be, for the Drawdown of, Conversion into or the Rollover of SOFR Loans;
- (b) 10:00 a.m. (Calgary time) two Banking Days prior to the proposed Drawdown Date, Conversion Date or Rollover Date, as the case may be, for the Drawdown of, Conversion into or Rollover of Bankers' Acceptances;
- (c) 10:00 a.m. (Calgary time) on the proposed Drawdown Date or Conversion Date, as the case may be, for Drawdowns of or Conversions into Canadian Prime Rate Loans and/or U.S. Base Rate Loans; and
- (d) 10:00 a.m. (Calgary time) three Banking Days prior to the proposed Drawdown Date or Rollover Date, as the case may be, for the Drawdown or Rollover of Letters of Credit.

2.7 Conversion Option

Subject to the provisions of this Agreement and except for Letters of Credit, the Borrower may convert the whole or any part of any type of Loan under a Credit Facility into any other type of permitted Loan under the same Credit Facility by giving the Agent, or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (with a copy to the Agent), a Conversion Notice in accordance herewith; provided that:

- (a) Conversions of SOFR Loans and Bankers' Acceptances may only be made on the last day of the Interest Period applicable thereto;
- (b) the Borrower may not convert a portion only or the whole of an outstanding Loan unless both the unconverted portion and converted portion of such Loan are equal to or exceed, in the relevant currency of each such portion, the minimum amounts required for Drawdowns of Loans of the same type as that portion (as set forth in Section 2.5);
- (c) in respect of Conversions of a Loan denominated in one currency to a Loan denominated in another currency, the Borrower shall at the time of the Conversion repay the Loan or portion thereof being converted in the currency in which it was denominated; and

- (d) a Conversion shall not result in an increase in Outstanding Principal; increases in Outstanding Principal may only be effected by Drawdowns.

2.8 SOFR Loan Rollovers; Selection of SOFR Interest Periods

At or before 10:00 a.m. (Calgary time) three Banking Days prior to the expiration of each Interest Period of each SOFR Loan, the Borrower shall, unless it has delivered a Conversion Notice pursuant to Section 2.7 and/or a Repayment Notice pursuant to Section 2.14 (together with a Rollover Notice if a portion only is to be converted or repaid; provided that a portion of a SOFR Loan may be continued only if the portion which is to remain outstanding is equal to or exceeds the minimum amount required hereunder for Drawdowns of SOFR Loans) with respect to the aggregate amount of such Loan, deliver a Rollover Notice to the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) selecting the next Interest Period applicable to the SOFR Loan, which new Interest Period shall commence on and include the last day of such prior Interest Period. If the Borrower fails to deliver a Rollover Notice to the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) as provided in this Section, the Borrower shall be deemed to have given a Conversion Notice to the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) electing to convert the entire amount of the maturing SOFR Loan into a U.S. Base Rate Loan.

2.9 Rollovers and Conversions not Repayments

Any amount converted shall be a Loan of the type converted to upon such Conversion taking place, and any amount rolled over shall continue to be the same type of Loan under the same Credit Facility as before the Rollover, but such Conversion or Rollover (to the extent of the amount converted or rolled over) shall not of itself constitute a repayment or a fresh utilization of any part of the amount available under the relevant Credit Facility.

2.10 Agent's Obligations with Respect to Canadian Prime Rate Loans, U.S. Base Rate Loans and SOFR Loans Under the Syndicated Facility

Upon receipt of a Drawdown Notice, Rollover Notice or Conversion Notice with respect to a Canadian Prime Rate Loan, U.S. Base Rate Loan or SOFR Loan under the Syndicated Facility, the Agent shall forthwith notify the relevant Lenders of the requested type of Loan, the proposed Drawdown Date, Rollover Date or Conversion Date, each Lender's Rateable Portion of such Loan and, if applicable, the account of the Agent to which each Lender's Rateable Portion is to be credited.

2.11 Lenders' and Agent's Obligations with Respect to Loans Under the Syndicated Facility

Each Lender shall, for same day value by no later than 10:00 a.m. (Calgary time) on the Drawdown Date specified by the Borrower in a Drawdown Notice with respect to Bankers' Acceptances, a Canadian Prime Rate Loan, a U.S. Base Rate Loan or a SOFR Loan under the Syndicated Facility, credit the Agent's Account specified in the Agent's notice given under Section 2.10 with such Lender's Rateable Portion of each such requested Loan and for same day value on the same date the Agent shall pay to the Borrower the full amount of the amounts so credited in accordance with any payment instructions set forth in the applicable Drawdown Notice.

2.12 Irrevocability

A Drawdown Notice, Rollover Notice, Conversion Notice or Repayment Notice given by the Borrower hereunder shall be irrevocable and, subject to any options the Lenders may have hereunder in regard thereto and the Borrower's rights hereunder in regard thereto, shall oblige the Borrower to take the action contemplated on the date specified therein.

2.13 Optional Cancellation or Reduction of Credit Facilities

The Borrower may, at any time, upon giving at least two (2) Banking Days prior written notice to the Agent, cancel in full or, from time to time, permanently reduce in part the unutilized portion of any of the Credit Facilities; provided, however, that: (a) any such reduction shall be in a minimum amount of [redacted - dollar amount] and reductions in excess thereof shall be in integral multiples of [redacted - dollar amount]; (b) if any such reduction does

not result in a proportionate reduction of each of the Credit Facilities, then the Commitments of each Lender under the Credit Facility that is not proportionately reduced shall be adjusted such that the Aggregate Individual Commitment of each Lender will be in the same proportion as each Lender's Aggregate Individual Commitment was to the Total Commitment immediately prior to such reduction; and (c) to give effect to the foregoing, the Borrower shall execute and deliver such other notices, agreements and other documents as the Agent, acting reasonably, may request.

2.14 Optional Repayment of Credit Facilities

The Borrower may at any time and from time to time repay, without penalty, to the Agent for the account of the Lenders or to the Operating Lender (as the case may be) or, in the case of Letters of Credit return the same to the applicable Fronting Lender or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) for cancellation or provide for the funding of, the whole or any part of any Loan owing by it together with accrued interest thereon to the date of such repayment provided that:

- (a) the Borrower shall (subject to Section 2.2(b) in respect of Overdraft Loans) give a Repayment Notice (executed in accordance with the definition of Officer's Certificate) to the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) not later than:
 - (i) 10:00 a.m. (Calgary time) three Banking Days prior to the date of the proposed repayment, for SOFR Loans;
 - (ii) 10:00 a.m. (Calgary time) three Banking Days prior to the date of the proposed repayment for Letters of Credit;
 - (iii) 10:00 a.m. (Calgary time) two Banking Days prior to the date of the proposed repayment for Bankers Acceptances;
 - (iv) 10:00 a.m. (Calgary time) one Banking Day prior to the date of the proposed repayment, for Canadian Prime Rate Loans and U.S. Base Rate Loans under the Syndicated Facility; and
 - (v) 10:00 a.m. (Calgary time) on the date of the proposed repayment, for Canadian Prime Rate Loans and U.S. Base Rate Loans under the Operating Facility;
- (b) repayments pursuant to this Section may only be made on a Banking Day;
- (c) subject to the following provisions and Section 2.16, each such repayment may only be made on the last day of the applicable Interest Period with regard to a SOFR Loan that is being repaid;
- (d) a Bankers' Acceptance may only be repaid on its maturity unless collateralized in accordance with Section 2.16(3);
- (e) unexpired Letters of Credit may only be prepaid by the return thereof to the Operating Lender or the applicable Fronting Lender (as the case may be), for cancellation in accordance with the cancellation requirements of the Operating Lender or such applicable Fronting Lender (as the case may be) or providing funding therefor in accordance with Section 2.16(2);
- (f) except in the case of Letters of Credit and except in the case of Canadian Prime Rate Loans and U.S. Base Rate Loans under the Operating Facility, each such repayment shall be in a minimum amount of the lesser of: (i) the minimum amount required pursuant to Section 2.5 for Drawdowns of the type of Loan proposed to be repaid and (ii) the Outstanding Principal of all Loans outstanding under the relevant Credit Facility immediately prior to such repayment; any repayment in excess of such amount shall be in integral multiples of the amounts required pursuant to Section 2.5 for multiples in excess of the minimum amounts for Drawdowns; and

- (g) except in the case of Letters of Credit and Canadian Prime Rate Loans and U.S. Base Rate Loans under the Operating Facility, the Borrower may not repay a portion only of an outstanding Loan unless the unpaid portion is equal to or exceeds, in the relevant currency, the minimum amount required pursuant to Section 2.5 for Drawdowns of the type of Loan proposed to be repaid.

2.15 Mandatory Repayment of Credit Facilities

Subject to Section 12.2 and Article 8, the Borrower shall repay or pay, as the case may be, to the Operating Lender or to the Agent, on behalf of the Lenders, as applicable, all Loans and other Obligations outstanding under each Credit Facility on or before the Maturity Date applicable thereto.

2.16 Additional Repayment Terms

(1) If any SOFR Loan is repaid or converted on other than the last day of the applicable Interest Period, the Borrower shall, within three Banking Days after notice is given by the Agent or the Operating Lender, pay to the Agent for the account of such Lenders or the Operating Lender, as the case may be, all costs, losses, premiums and expenses incurred by such Lenders or the Operating Lender, as the case may be, by reason of the liquidation or re-deployment of deposits or other funds, or for any other reason whatsoever, resulting in each case from the repayment of such Loan or any part thereof on other than the last day of the applicable Interest Period. Any Lender, upon becoming entitled to be paid such costs, losses, premiums and expenses, shall deliver to the Borrower and the Agent a certificate of the Lender certifying as to such amounts and, in the absence of manifest error, such certificate shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes.

(2) With respect to the funding of the repayment of unexpired Letters of Credit pursuant to Section 2.14(e) or otherwise hereunder, it is agreed that the Borrower shall provide for the funding in full of the repayment of unexpired Letters of Credit by paying to and depositing with the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) cash collateral for each such unexpired Letter of Credit equal to the maximum amount thereof, plus the fees payable pursuant to Section 7.8 through to the expiry of such Letter of Credit, in each case, in the respective currency which the relevant Letter of Credit is denominated; such cash collateral deposited by the Borrower shall be held by the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) in an interest bearing cash collateral account (including, in the sole discretion of the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be), in a guaranteed investment certificate account of the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) on terms specified by the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be)) with interest to be credited to the Borrower at rates prevailing at the time of deposit for similar accounts with the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be). Such cash collateral accounts shall be assigned to the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) as security for the obligations of the Borrower in relation to such Letters of Credit and the Security Interest of the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) thereby created in such cash collateral shall rank in priority to all other Security Interests and adverse claims against such cash collateral. Such cash collateral shall be applied to satisfy the obligations of the Borrower for such Letters of Credit as payments are made thereunder and the Agent and the Operating Lender are each hereby irrevocably directed by the Borrower to so apply any such cash collateral. Amounts held by the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) in such cash collateral accounts may not be withdrawn by the Borrower without: (a) the consent of all of the Lenders and the applicable Fronting Lender (in respect of a Fronted LC), or (b) the consent of all of the Lenders and the Operating Lender (in respect of a Letter of Credit issued under the Operating Facility); however, interest on such deposited amounts shall be for the account of the Borrower and may be withdrawn by the Borrower so long as no Default or Event of Default is then continuing. If after expiry of the Letters of Credit for which such funds are held and application by the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) of the amounts in such cash collateral accounts to satisfy the obligations of the Borrower hereunder with respect to the Letters of Credit being repaid, any excess remains, such excess shall be promptly paid by the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) to the Borrower so long as no Default or Event of Default is then continuing.

(3) With respect to the repayment of unmatured Bankers' Acceptances pursuant to Section 2.14(d) or otherwise hereunder, it is agreed that the Borrower shall provide for the funding in full of the unmatured Bankers' Acceptances to be repaid by paying to and depositing with the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) cash collateral (the "**Cash Collateral**") for each such unmatured Bankers' Acceptances equal to the face amount payable at maturity thereof; such Cash Collateral deposited by the Borrower shall be invested by the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) in Approved Securities as may be directed in writing by the Borrower from

time to time (the "**Collateral Investments**"), provided that the Borrower shall direct said investments so that they mature in amounts sufficient to permit payment of the Obligations for maturing Bankers' Acceptances on the maturity dates thereof, with interest thereon to be credited to the Borrower. In the event that the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) is not provided with instructions from the Borrower to make Collateral Investments as provided herein, the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) shall hold such Cash Collateral in an interest bearing cash collateral account (the "**Cash Collateral Account**") at rates prevailing at the time of deposit for similar accounts with the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be). The (a) Cash Collateral, (b) Cash Collateral Accounts, (c) Collateral Investments, (d) any accounts receivable, claims, instruments or securities evidencing or relating to the foregoing, and (e) any proceeds of any of the foregoing (collectively the "**Outstanding BAs Collateral**") shall be assigned to the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) as security for the obligations of the Borrower in relation to such Bankers' Acceptances, and the Borrower hereby grants to the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) a fixed charge and specific security interest in the Outstanding BAs Collateral as security for such obligations; the Security Interest of the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) hereby created in such Outstanding BAs Collateral shall rank in priority to all other Security Interests and adverse claims against such Outstanding BAs Collateral. Such Outstanding BAs Collateral shall be applied to satisfy the obligations of the Borrower for such Bankers' Acceptances as they mature and each of the Agent and the Operating Lender are hereby irrevocably directed by the Borrower to apply any such Outstanding BAs Collateral to such maturing Bankers' Acceptances. The Outstanding BAs Collateral created herein shall not be released to the Borrower without the consent of all of the Lenders, in the case of Outstanding BAs Collateral under the Syndicated Facility, and the Operating Lender, in the case of Outstanding BAs Collateral under the Operating Facility; however, interest on such deposited amounts shall be for the account of the Borrower and may be withdrawn by the Borrower so long as no Default or Event of Default is then continuing. If, after maturity of the Bankers' Acceptances for which such Outstanding BAs Collateral is held and application by the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) of the Outstanding BAs Collateral to satisfy the obligations of the Borrower hereunder with respect to the Bankers' Acceptances being repaid, any interest or other proceeds of the Outstanding BAs Collateral remains, such interest or other proceeds shall be promptly paid and transferred by the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) to the Borrower so long as no Default or Event of Default is then continuing.

2.17 Currency Excess

(1) If the Agent, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, or the Operating Lender (as the case may be), in the case of the Operating Facility, shall determine that the aggregate Outstanding Principal of the outstanding Loans under such a given Credit Facility exceeds the maximum amount of such Credit Facility (the amount of such excess is herein called the "**Currency Excess**"), then, upon written request by the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) (which request shall detail the applicable Currency Excess), the Borrower shall repay an amount of Canadian Prime Rate Loans or U.S. Base Rate Loans under such Credit Facility within (a) if the Currency Excess exceeds [redacted] of the amount of such Credit Facility, 3 Banking Days, and (b) in all other cases, 15 days after receipt of such request, such that, except as otherwise contemplated in Section 2.17(2), the Equivalent Amount in Canadian Dollars of such repayments is, in the aggregate, at least equal to the Currency Excess.

(2) If, in respect of any Currency Excess, the repayments made by the Borrower have not completely removed such Currency Excess (the remainder thereof being herein called the "**Currency Excess Deficiency**"), the Borrower shall within the aforementioned 3 or 15 days, as the case may be, after receipt of the aforementioned request of the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be), place an amount equal to the Currency Excess Deficiency on deposit with the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) in an interest bearing account with interest at rates prevailing at the time of deposit for the account of the Borrower, to be assigned to the Agent on behalf of the Lenders or to the Operating Lender (as the case may be) by instrument satisfactory to the Agent and, if applicable, to be applied to maturing Bankers' Acceptances or SOFR Loans (converted if necessary at the exchange rate for determining the Equivalent Amount on the date of such application or held to provide for the funding of unexpired Letters of Credit in accordance with Section 2.16(2) which shall apply *mutatis mutandis*). The Borrower hereby grants to the Agent and the Operating Lender a fixed charge and specific security interest in such sums on deposit as security for such obligations. The Agent is hereby irrevocably directed by the Borrower to apply any such sums on deposit to maturing Loans or to satisfy obligations of the Borrower for such Letters of Credit as payments are made thereunder, as the case may be, as provided in the preceding sentence. Upon the Currency Excess Deficiency being eliminated as aforesaid or by virtue of subsequent changes in the exchange rate for determining the Equivalent Amount, then,

provided no Default or Event of Default is then continuing, such funds on deposit, together with interest thereon shall be returned to the Borrower.

2.18 Hedging with Lenders and Hedging Affiliates

If a Lender or Hedging Affiliate enters into a Financial Instrument with the Borrower or a Subsidiary which such Lender or Hedging Affiliate (as the case may be) believes, acting reasonably, in good faith and without any actual notice or knowledge to the contrary, is Permitted Hedging, then each such Lender Financial Instrument and the Lender Financial Instrument Obligations under such Financial Instrument shall be secured by the Security equally and rateably with the other Secured Obligations, regardless of whether the Borrower or a Subsidiary has complied herewith (but, for certainty, without in any manner lessening or relieving the Borrower or such Subsidiary from its obligation to comply therewith).

2.19 Extension of Syndicated Facility Term Out Date

(1) In this Section:

"Requested Lenders" means those Lenders which are not then Non-Extending Lenders.

"Syndicated Facility Extension Request" means a written request by the Borrower to the Requested Lenders to extend the Syndicated Facility Term Out Date applicable to such Lenders up to 364 days, which request shall include an Officer's Certificate certifying that no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing.

(2) The Borrower may, once in each calendar year, by delivering to the Agent an executed Syndicated Facility Extension Request, request the Requested Lenders to extend the Syndicated Facility Term Out Date applicable to such Lenders by up to 364 days; provided that such request may not be made more than 90 days or less than 30 days before the then current Syndicated Facility Term Out Date applicable to such Lenders.

(3) Upon receipt from the Borrower of an executed Syndicated Facility Extension Request, the Agent shall forthwith deliver to each Requested Lender a copy of such request, and each Requested Lender shall, within 30 days after the date the Agent receives such request from the Borrower, provide to the Agent and the Borrower either: (a) written notice that such Requested Lender (each, an **"Extending Lender"**) agrees to the requested extension of the current Syndicated Facility Term Out Date applicable to it or (b) written notice (each, a **"Notice of Non-Extension"**) that such Requested Lender (each, a **"Non-Extending Lender"**) does not agree to such requested extension; provided that, if a Requested Lender shall fail to so notify the Agent and the Borrower, then such Requested Lender shall be deemed to have delivered a Notice of Non-Extension and shall be deemed to be a Non-Extending Lender. **The determination of each Lender whether or not to extend the Syndicated Facility Term Out Date applicable to it shall be made by each individual Lender in its sole discretion.**

(4) If the Extending Lenders have not less than [redacted] of the aggregate Syndicated Facility Commitments, the Syndicated Facility Term Out Date shall be extended in accordance with the Syndicated Facility Extension Request for each of the Extending Lenders. If the Extending Lenders do not have at least [redacted] of the aggregate Syndicated Facility Commitments, the Syndicated Facility Term Out Date shall not be extended for any of the Requested Lenders. For certainty, the Syndicated Facility Term Out Date for a Non-Extending Lender shall not be extended, regardless of whether the Syndicated Facility Term Out Date is extended for the Extending Lenders as aforesaid.

(5) If the Syndicated Facility Term Out Date has been extended in accordance with the most recent Syndicated Facility Extension Request delivered pursuant to Section 2.19(2):

(a) the Borrower may require any Non-Extending Lender to assign (for certainty, without releasing such Lender from its obligations under Section 7.7 to the Fronting Lender unless specifically agreed by the Fronting Lender in accordance herewith) its Syndicated Facility Commitment, its Rateable Portion of all Loans and other Obligations outstanding under the Syndicated Facility and all of its rights, benefits and interests under the Documents relating thereto (collectively, the **"Assigned**

Interests") to (i) any Extending Lenders which have agreed to increase their Syndicated Facility Commitments and purchase Assigned Interests, and (ii) to the extent the Assigned Interests are not transferred to Extending Lenders, financial institutions selected by the Borrower and acceptable to the Agent and the Fronting Lender, each acting reasonably. Such assignments shall be effective upon execution of assignment documentation satisfactory to the relevant Non-Extending Lender, the assignee, the Borrower, the Fronting Lender and the Agent (each acting reasonably), upon payment to the relevant Non-Extending Lender (in immediately available funds) by the relevant assignee of an amount equal to its Rateable Portion of all Obligations being assigned and all accrued but unpaid interest and fees hereunder in respect of those portions of the Loans and Syndicated Facility Commitments being assigned, upon payment by the relevant assignee to the Agent (for the Agent's own account) of the transfer fee contemplated in Section 16.6, and upon provision satisfactory to the Non-Extending Lender (acting reasonably) being made for (i) payment at maturity of outstanding Bankers' Acceptances accepted by it, (ii) indemnity in respect of its share of outstanding Letters of Credit or release by the Fronting Lender of its obligations in respect thereof and (iii) any costs, losses, premiums or expenses incurred by such Non-Extending Lender by reason of the liquidation or re-deployment of deposits or other funds in respect of SOFR Loans outstanding hereunder. Upon such assignment and transfer, the Non-Extending Lender shall have no further right, interest, benefit or obligation in respect of the Syndicated Facility (except as provided in Section 7.7) and the assignee thereof shall succeed to the position of such Lender as if the same was an original party hereto in the place and stead of such Non-Extending Lender and shall be deemed to be an Extending Lender; for such purpose, to the extent that the assignee is not already a party hereto, the assignee shall execute and deliver an Assignment Agreement and such other documentation as may be reasonably required by the Agent and the Borrower to confirm its agreement to be bound by the provisions hereof and to give effect to the foregoing; and

- (b) to the extent that any Non-Extending Lender has not assigned its rights and interests to an Extending Lender or other financial institution as provided in subparagraph (a) above, the Borrower may, notwithstanding any other provision hereof, repay the Non-Extending Lender's Rateable Portion of all Loans outstanding under the Syndicated Facility, together with all accrued but unpaid interest and fees thereon with respect to its Syndicated Facility Commitments, without making corresponding repayment to the other Lenders and, upon such repayment and provision satisfactory to the relevant Non-Extending Lender (acting reasonably) being made for (i) payment at maturity of all outstanding Bankers' Acceptances accepted by such Lender, (ii) indemnity in respect of its share of outstanding Letters of Credit or, with respect to outstanding Fronted LCs, release by the Fronting Lender of its obligations in respect thereof and (iii) any costs, losses, premiums or expenses incurred by such Lender by reason of a liquidation or re-deployment of deposits or other funds in respect of SOFR Loans outstanding hereunder, the Borrower may cancel such Non-Extending Lender's Syndicated Facility Commitment. Upon completion of the foregoing, such Non-Extending Lender shall have no further right, interest, benefit or obligation in respect of the Syndicated Facility (except as provided in Section 7.7) and the Syndicated Facility shall be reduced by the amount of such Lender's cancelled Syndicated Facility Commitment.

(6) If, with respect to a Syndicated Facility Extension Request, the provisions of Section 2.19(5) are not applicable and there are Non-Extending Lenders and Extending Lenders (a "**Syndicated Facility Partial Extension**"), from and as of the date of the Syndicated Facility Term Out Date applicable to each such Non-Extending Lender, all Drawdowns, Rollovers and Conversions under the Syndicated Facility may only be obtained from the Extending Lenders in proportion to their respective Syndicated Facility Commitments and all applicable provisions of this Agreement shall be construed accordingly. Without limiting the foregoing, in the event of any Syndicated Facility Partial Extension:

- (a) the provisions herein relating to the Syndicated Facility Term Period shall apply separately to the Non-Extending Lenders as a group; and

- (b) for so long as the Syndicated Facility exists concurrently with one or more Syndicated Facility Term Periods under the Syndicated Facility:
 - (i) any subsequent Drawdowns, Rollovers and Conversions under the Syndicated Facility shall be allocated pro rata among the Extending Lenders in accordance with their respective Syndicated Facility Commitments;
 - (ii) the Borrower shall not be entitled to cancel any Syndicated Facility Commitments of Extending Lenders under Section 2.13 unless it concurrently makes a *pro rata* cancellation of the Syndicated Facility Commitments of Non-Extending Lenders (and repayment of Loans to Non-Extending Lenders to the extent necessary to effect such cancellation) and any cancellation or permanent reduction of the Syndicated Facility Commitments pursuant to Section 2.13 shall be allocated *pro rata* among the Extending Lenders and the Non-Extending Lenders in accordance with their respective Syndicated Facility Commitments; and
 - (iii) if the Borrower makes an optional repayment under the Syndicated Facility prior to the then latest Syndicated Facility Term Out Date other than pursuant to Section 2.13, such repayment shall be deemed to have been made to the Extending Lenders only and shall not be applied in repayment of Loans owed to Non-Extending Lenders unless the Agent is expressly directed in writing by the Borrower at the time of payment to allocate such payment pro rata among the Extending Lenders and the Non-Extending Lenders in accordance with their respective Syndicated Facility Commitments.

(7) This Section 2.19 shall apply from time to time to facilitate successive extensions and requests for extension of the Syndicated Facility Term Out Date. The Borrower shall not be entitled to request any action or give any notice under this Section at any time when a Default or an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing. If, as of the current Syndicated Facility Term Out Date (before the extension thereof in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Section 2.19), a Default or Event of Default exists, the Syndicated Facility Term Out Date shall not be extended, notwithstanding any other provision hereof to the contrary, for any Extending Lender unless each Extending Lender has waived such Default or Event of Default in writing.

2.20 Extension of Operating Facility Term Out Date

- (1) In this Section:

"Operating Facility Extension Request" means a written request by the Borrower to the Operating Lender to extend the Operating Facility Term Out Date up to 364 days, which request shall include an Officer's Certificate certifying that no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing.

(2) The Borrower may, once in each calendar year, by delivering to the Agent and the Operating Lender an executed Operating Facility Extension Request, request the Operating Lender to extend the Operating Facility Term Out Date by up to 364 days; provided that such request may not be made more than 90 days or less than 30 days before the then current Operating Facility Term Out Date.

(3) Upon receipt from the Borrower of an executed Operating Facility Extension Request, the Operating Lender shall, within 30 days after the date the Operating Lender and the Agent receive such request from the Borrower, provide to the Borrower either: (a) written notice that it agrees to the requested extension of the current Operating Facility Term Out Date or (b) written notice (an **"Operating Facility Notice of Non-Extension"**) that it does not agree to such requested extension; provided that, if the Operating Lender shall fail to so notify the Agent and the Borrower, then it shall be deemed to have delivered an Operating Facility Notice of Non-Extension. The determination of the Operating Lender whether or not to extend the Operating Facility Term Out Date shall be made by the Operating Lender in its sole discretion.

(4) If the Operating Lender agrees to such requested extension of the current Operating Facility Term Out Date with respect to a given Operating Facility Extension Request, then the current Operating Facility Term Out Date shall be extended as requested in such Operating Facility Extension Request.

(5) This Section shall apply from time to time to facilitate successive extensions and requests for extension of the Operating Facility Term Out Date. The Borrower shall not be entitled to request any action or give any notice under this Section at any time when a Default or an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing. If, as of the current Operating Facility Term Out Date (before the extension thereof in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Section 2.20), a Default or Event of Default exists, the Operating Facility Term Out Date shall not be extended, notwithstanding any other provision hereof to the contrary unless the Operating Lender has waived such Default or Event of Default in writing.

2.21 Replacement of Lenders

In addition to and not in limitation of or derogation from the other provisions hereof, the Borrower shall have the right, at its option, to (a) replace (by causing a Lender to assign its rights and interests under the applicable Credit Facility to additional financial institutions or to existing Lenders which have agreed to increase their Commitments) or (b) provided that no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, repay the Obligations outstanding and cancel the Commitments of (without corresponding repayment to or cancellation of the Commitments of other Lenders) or (c) do any combination thereof with respect to: (i) those Lenders which have not agreed to a consent under, waiver of or proposed amendment to the provisions of the Documents (each, a "**Dissenting Lender**") requested by the Borrower, (ii) those Lenders which have notified the Borrower and the Agent of an entitlement to receive Additional Compensation under Section 13.3(1), (iii) those Lenders which, pursuant to Section 13.5, have declared their obligations under this Agreement in respect of any Loan to be terminated, and (iv) any Defaulting Lender, and, for such purposes, the provisions of Section 2.19(5) shall apply thereto, *mutatis mutandis*; provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing:

- (a) in the case of the replacement or repayment of a Dissenting Lender, the Borrower shall not be entitled to replace or repay a Dissenting Lender unless, after doing so, the requested consent, waiver or amendment would be approved in accordance with the Documents;
- (b) the Borrower shall not be entitled to repay a Dissenting Lender (as opposed to replacing the same) and reduce the amount of a Credit Facility if, after doing so, the Credit Facilities would be reduced by more than [redacted] in the aggregate or such greater percentage as may be agreed to by the Lenders other than the Dissenting Lenders (acting reasonably);
- (c) the Borrower shall not be entitled to replace or repay a Dissenting Lender unless it is concurrently repaying or replacing all other Dissenting Lenders; and
- (d) the addition of new financial institutions as Lenders or the increasing of Commitments by existing Lenders shall require the consent of the Agent and the Fronting Lender, such consents not to be unreasonably withheld.

2.22 Determinations of the Borrowing Base; Removal of Certain Lenders

(1) The Lenders may from time to time determine the Borrowing Base in their sole discretion and the Agent shall deliver to the Borrower a written notice specifying each such determination (each such notice, a "**Borrowing Base Notice**"). Each determination of the Borrowing Base by the Lenders shall be binding and conclusive for all purposes hereof and shall be effective (a) in the case of an increase in the Borrowing Base, or a re-affirmation of the same Borrowing Base, immediately upon receipt by the Borrower of the Borrowing Base Notice specifying the same, (b) in the case of a decrease in the Borrowing Base resulting from the Disposition of any Borrowing Base Properties (including (i) the Disposition of a Subsidiary and (ii) any Disposition of P&NG Rights in connection with the granting of a royalty in such P&NG Rights) or any Hedge Monetization, immediately upon receipt by the Borrower of the Borrowing Base Notice specifying the same, and (c) in the case of all other decreases in the Borrowing Base, 60 days after receipt by the Borrower of the Borrowing Base Notice specifying the same, in each

case until the coming into effect of a subsequent determination of the Borrowing Base. As at the date hereof (for certainty, following satisfaction (or waiver in accordance with the terms hereof) of the conditions precedent set forth in Section 3.2), the Borrowing Base is Cdn.\$100,000,000.

- (2) The Borrowing Base shall be determined and re-determined as follows:
 - (a) by May 31st of each year in respect of the annual Engineering Report delivered to the Agent pursuant to Section 10.1(e)(vi) and by November 30th of each year in respect of the update to such report delivered to the Agent pursuant to Section 10.1(e)(vii), as the case may be, the Lenders shall attempt to reach unanimous agreement on a new Borrowing Base; the next scheduled determination of the Borrowing Base shall occur by November 30, 2023;
 - (b) if all of the Lenders agree to the amount of the Borrowing Base by the applicable dates provided for in clause (a) above, as the case may be, then the Agent shall deliver a Borrowing Base Notice to the Borrower (with a copy thereof to each Lender) specifying such agreed upon Borrowing Base; and
 - (c) if all of the Lenders cannot agree on the amount of the Borrowing Base by the applicable dates provided for in clause (a) above, as the case may be, then the Borrowing Base shall be deemed to have been determined by the Lenders as the lowest Borrowing Base amount proposed by a Lender or Lenders (each acting in good faith) (each such Lender, a "**Lowest Borrowing Base Lender**") to the Agent and other Lenders by written notice, and promptly after the applicable dates provided for in clause (a) above, as the case may be, the Agent shall deliver a Borrowing Base Notice to the Borrower (with a copy thereof to each Lender) specifying such Borrowing Base.

In addition to and without limiting the foregoing, the Lenders may determine and re-determine the Borrowing Base at any time and from time to time (in addition to the aforementioned determinations of the Borrowing Base after receipt of the annual Engineering Report and the update thereto):

- (i) if (x) there has been any Dispositions, other than a Permitted Disposition, including (I) the Disposition of a Subsidiary which holds any Borrowing Base Properties and (II) any Disposition of P&NG Rights in connection with the granting of a royalty in such P&NG Rights, in each case where the Disposition is not a Permitted Disposition, or (y) there has been any Hedge Monetization, and, in any such case, the aggregate proceeds received by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries from any of the foregoing since the immediately preceding determination of the Borrowing Base exceeds the Threshold Amount;
- (ii) at the request of the Majority of the Lenders, upon the occurrence of any event, matter or circumstance which has had or would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;
- (iii) once per calendar year at the request of the Majority of the Lenders;
- (iv) at the request of any Lender if the Borrower has not maintained the Minimum Hedging then required pursuant to Section 10.1(cc), such request may be made by any Lender through the Agent (for certainty, any such Lender shall be permitted to make such a request as aforesaid regardless of whether the proviso set forth in Section 10.1(cc) is applicable or not);
- (v) at the request of the Majority of the Lenders, if the Borrower or any Subsidiary becomes subject to any ARO Order and/or any Energy Regulator Demand for Deposits, the aggregate estimated cost of compliance with all such ARO Orders and Energy Regulator Demand for Deposits (without duplication), would exceed the Threshold Amount; for the purpose of determining the estimated cost for purposes of this subparagraph (iii), the Borrower shall provide the Agent with a reasonable estimate of such costs within fifteen (15) Banking Days of its receipt of the applicable order or demand and shall deliver to each

Lender all such other relevant information related to such estimate as may be reasonably required by any such Lender; or

- (vi) at the request of the Majority of the Lenders, if the Borrower and its Subsidiaries acquire upstream oil and gas wells, facilities, pipelines and other P&NG Rights (whether by way of purchase, merger, amalgamation or other transaction) which have uninflated and undiscounted asset abandonment, reclamation or retirement obligations associated therewith (net of any uninflated and undiscounted asset abandonment, reclamation or retirement obligations associated with the Disposition of upstream oil and gas wells, facilities, pipelines and other P&NG Rights which are Disposed of at the same time (or substantially concurrently with) the completion of such acquisition), in the aggregate, of greater than the Threshold Amount.

For certainty, the then-current Borrowing Base shall remain in effect unless and until there has been an agreement of all of the Lenders or determination of the Borrowing Base pursuant to Section 2.22(2)(c).

(3) If the Borrowing Base has been determined pursuant to Section 2.22(2)(c), the Borrower shall have the right:

- (a) to require any Lowest Borrowing Base Lender to assign its Commitments, its Rateable Portion of all Loans and other Obligations and all of its rights, benefits and interests under the Documents to other Lenders which have agreed to increase their Commitments or to other financial institutions acceptable to the Agent and the Fronting Lenders, acting reasonably, and the provisions of Section 2.19(5)(a) shall apply thereto, *mutatis mutandis*; or
- (b) to repay a Lowest Borrowing Base Lender's Rateable Portion of all Loans outstanding under the Credit Facilities, together with all accrued but unpaid interest and fees thereon with respect to its Commitments (without making corresponding repayment to the other Lenders) and cancel such Lowest Borrowing Base Lender's Commitments, and the provisions of Section 2.19(5)(b) shall apply thereto, *mutatis mutandis*.

(4) The Borrower may request, one additional time between scheduled determinations and re-determinations of the Borrowing Base set forth in Section 2.22(2) a re-determination of the Borrowing Base upon notice to the Agent. Upon such request, the Borrowing Base will be re-determined as soon as reasonably practicable, provided that the Borrower has made available to the Agent, for the benefit of the Lenders, the current information which, in the opinion of the Majority of the Lenders, acting reasonably, is required to perform such re-determination. The Borrowing Base will be adjusted effective on the date specified in the notice of same given by the Agent to the Borrower. In connection with any such re-determination, the Agent on behalf of the Lenders will be entitled to charge the Borrower a reasonable "work fee" to be agreed upon between the Borrower and the Agent.

(5) If, after a Borrowing Base determination or re-determination, a Borrowing Base Shortfall exists, the Borrower will within 60 days after receipt of notice of the Borrowing Base Shortfall repay Loans under the Credit Facilities to the extent necessary to reduce the Outstanding Principal of Loans under the Credit Facilities by not less than the amount of the Borrowing Base Shortfall. The Borrower shall not be entitled to request Drawdowns during the occurrence of a Borrowing Base Shortfall.

(6) At the request of the Agent, the Borrower will meet annually or semi-annually, with the Lenders at a time and place mutually acceptable to the Borrower and the Lenders to review and discuss the production profile of the Borrowing Base Properties, and such other matters affecting the Borrower and the Material Subsidiaries' business as the Lenders may request, acting reasonably.

ARTICLE 3– CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO DRAWDOWNS

3.1 Conditions Precedent for all Drawdowns

On or before each Drawdown hereunder the following conditions shall be satisfied:

- (a) the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) shall have received a proper and timely Drawdown Notice from the Borrower requesting the Drawdown;
- (b) the representations and warranties set forth in Section 9.1 shall be true and accurate in all material respects (save and except for those representations and warranties in Section 9.1 which are already subject to a materiality threshold (such as Material Adverse Effect), which shall be true and accurate in all respects) on and as of the date of the requested Drawdown (other than those representations and warranties expressed to be given as of a specified date);
- (c) no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing on and as of the date of the requested Drawdown nor shall the Drawdown result in the occurrence of a Default or Event of Default;
- (d) after giving effect to the proposed Drawdown, the Outstanding Principal of all Loans outstanding under the relevant Credit Facility shall not exceed the maximum amount of such Credit Facility;
- (e) a Borrowing Base Shortfall shall not exist or result from the proposed Drawdown;
- (f) in the case of any Drawdown other than a Drawdown by way of Letters of Credit or Overdraft Loans, after giving effect to such Drawdown and the application of proceeds thereof, the Borrower would not have any Excess Cash; and
- (g) except with the prior written consent of a Majority of the Lenders, after giving effect to the requested Drawdown, the Outstanding Principal of all Loans outstanding under the Credit Facilities shall not exceed [redacted - dollar amount].

3.2 Conditions Precedent to Effectiveness

This Agreement shall become effective upon, and the Borrower shall be permitted to make the Transactions Drawdown hereunder upon, the following conditions being satisfied:

- (a) all fees and expenses previously agreed to in writing between the Borrower, the Co-Lead Arrangers, the Agent and the Lenders shall be paid by the Borrower to the Co-Lead Arrangers, the Agent or the Lenders, as applicable (including, for certainty, those referred to in subparagraphs (b) and (c) below);
- (b) the Borrower shall have paid to the Agent, for each Lender, a fee in Canadian Dollars in an amount equal to [redacted] *per annum* of the aggregate amount of each such Lender's Commitments under the Credit Facilities (that is, the Borrower shall have paid a [redacted - dollar amount] fee to the Agent, for each Lender, as aforesaid);
- (c) the Agent and the Borrower shall have executed and delivered the Agency Fee Agreement and all fees which are then due and payable thereunder to the Agent for its own account shall have been paid to the Agent by the Borrower (or arrangements satisfactory to the Agent, acting reasonably, have been made for such payment);
- (d) the Agent and the Operating Lender shall have received a proper and timely Drawdown Notice from the Borrower requesting the Transactions Drawdown of the Syndicated Facility on the Transactions Drawdown Date;

- (e) after giving effect to the proposed Drawdown on the Transactions Drawdown Date, the Outstanding Principal of all Loans outstanding under the Credit Facilities shall not exceed [*redacted - dollar amount*];
- (f) no event, circumstance or development shall have occurred or become known which has had or would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, and the Borrower shall have delivered to the Agent and the Lenders an Officer's Certificate certifying the same to the Agent and the Lenders;
- (g) no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing and each of the representations and warranties set forth in Section 9.1 shall be true and correct in all respects, in each case, as of the date of the effectiveness of this Agreement, and the Borrower shall have delivered to the Agent and the Lenders an Officer's Certificate certifying the same;
- (h) the Borrower shall have delivered or caused to be delivered to the Agent true, correct and complete copies of the Transactions Documents, together with an Officer's Certificate certifying the same to the Agent and the Lenders;
- (i) concurrently with Transactions Drawdown, the Transactions shall have been completed in accordance with the Transactions Documents and without any termination thereof or any amendments thereto or waivers of, or consents under, the conditions and other provisions thereof, unless approved by all of the Lenders, and the Agent shall have received evidence thereof satisfactory to the Agent, acting reasonably; in addition to and without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Borrower shall have delivered to the Agent an Officer's Certificate (attaching a copy of each authorization that is a condition precedent under any Transactions Document, which shall include the Competition Act Approval (as defined in the Boulder Acquisition Agreement)), certifying that:
 - (i) the Transactions have been completed in accordance with the Transactions Documents and without any amendment of any of the Transactions Documents or waiver of, or consent under, the conditions and other provisions of such Transactions Documents (including, for certainty, without any amendment of the Shale Acquisition Agreement (other than the waiver of the conditions precedent in the Shale Acquisition Agreement that the proceeds of the subscription receipts offering be at least [*redacted - dollar amount*] and as relates to the resignation and release of Paul MacKay as a director of Shale), the Castlegate Acquisition Agreement or the Boulder Acquisition Agreement);
 - (ii) all consents and approvals (as referred to above) required to complete the Transactions have been obtained, and all conditions precedent to the completion of the Transactions under the Transactions Documents have been, or will be on the Transactions Drawdown, satisfied; and
 - (iii) the closing of the Offering resulted in the Borrower receiving at least [*redacted - dollar amount*] of aggregate gross proceeds therefrom;
- (j) the Borrower shall have delivered or caused to be delivered to the Agent:
 - (i) a Compliance Certificate prepared on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to the Transactions and the Transactions Drawdown (and, for certainty, the Borrower shall have an LMR of at least 2.00 after giving *pro forma* effect to the Transactions and the Transactions Drawdown), and the Agent and the Lenders shall be satisfied with the same, acting reasonably;
 - (ii) a copy of its current annual consolidated Operating Budget (including, for certainty, Expected Production of Oil and Natural Gas and expected Capital Expenditures) on a *pro*

forma basis after giving effect to the Transactions for, at a minimum, the next two (2) fiscal years of the Borrower (that is, through to and including the calendar year ending 2025 (such Operating Budget setting out the particulars thereof on a monthly basis), approved by the board of directors of the Borrower, and the Agent and the Lenders shall be satisfied with the same, acting reasonably;

- (iii) a certificate of the Borrower detailing the ownership structure of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, both before and after completion of the Transactions, which shall evidence an ownership structure consistent with the ownership structure previously disclosed to the Co-Lead Arrangers;
 - (iv) an Officer's Certificate of the Borrower with respect to the reasonableness of the assumptions underlying the financial models previously provided by the Borrower to the Lenders; and
 - (v) such other closing certificates and documents as are customary for transactions such as those contemplated by the Documents and as shall be requested by the Agent and the Lenders' Counsel (all in form and substance satisfactory thereto, each acting reasonably);
- (k) all material Governmental Authorizations and material third party consents, waivers (including rights of first refusal) and approvals necessary for the completion of the Transactions shall have been unconditionally obtained and shall be in full force and effect, and the Agent shall have received an Officer's Certificate certifying the same to the Agent and the Lenders;
- (l) concurrently with the Transactions Drawdown, all of the Transactions shall have been, or substantially concurrently with a Drawdown under the Syndicated Facility shall be, completed in accordance with the terms of the Transactions Documents and without any termination thereof or any amendments thereto or waiver of, or consents under, the conditions and other provisions thereof (unless approved by all of the Lenders, acting reasonably), and the Transactions shall have been funded by the Borrower with a minimum of [*redacted - dollar amount*] of aggregate gross proceeds from the Offering, and the Agent shall have received an Officer's Certificate certifying the same to the Agent and the Lenders;
- (m) the Borrower shall provide evidence satisfactory to the Agent that all shareholders have sold their Equity Interests in Shale to the Borrower;
- (n) the Borrower shall have made provision for (i) the irrevocable repayment of all obligations under the Existing Credit Facilities and cancellation of the same, and (ii) the release and discharge of all Security Interests held by National Bank of Canada and ATB Financial against the Borrower, Boulder and any of their respective Subsidiaries (as applicable) in connection with the Existing Credit Facilities, in each case, prior to or substantially concurrently with the Transactions Drawdown and on terms and conditions acceptable to the Agent, acting reasonably;
- (o) receipt by the Agent of a flow of funds memorandum, in form and substance satisfactory to the Agent, detailing the flow of funds required to effect the partial payment of the purchase price under the applicable Transactions Documents, the repayment of the Existing Credit Facilities and the payment of all fees and expenses required in connection herewith and with the completion of the Transactions, together with a letter of direction from the Borrower in respect of the Drawdown Notice delivered by the Borrower pursuant to Section 3.2(d), in form and substance satisfactory to the Agent;
- (p) the Agent and the Lenders shall be satisfied, in their sole discretion, with all legal, financial, environmental, business, tax, regulatory and other due diligence in respect of the Borrower, Boulder, Castlegate, Shale, their respective Subsidiaries (if any), the Transaction and the Transactions Documents;

- (q) the Borrower shall have delivered or caused to be delivered to the Agent:
 - (i) true and copies of each Secured Royalty Agreement in existence as of the date hereof, together with an Officer's Certificate certifying the same to the Agent and the Lenders; and
 - (ii) a Royalty Subordination Agreement with respect to the Existing Secured Royalty Agreement shall have been executed and delivered by Topaz Energy Corp., in form and substance satisfactory to the Agent and Lender's Counsel;
- (r) all Debt owing by the Borrower pursuant to the Boulder VTB shall have been fully subordinated and postponed to the Secured Obligations pursuant to the Boulder VTB Subordination Agreement;
- (s) the Borrower and each corporate Material Subsidiary (for certainty, after giving effect to the Transactions), if any, shall have delivered to the Agent a current certificate of status, compliance or good standing, as the case may be, in respect of its jurisdiction of formation and certified copies of its constating documents and by-laws and the resolutions authorizing the Documents to which it is a party to be executed by such party in connection herewith and the transactions hereunder and thereunder and an Officer's Certificate as to the incumbency of the officers of the Borrower or Material Subsidiary, as the case may be, executing the Documents to which it is a party to be executed by such party in connection herewith;
- (t) each Material Subsidiary which is not a corporation, if any (for certainty, after giving effect to the Transactions), shall have delivered, or caused to be delivered, to the Agent a certificate, partnership search or declaration in respect of its existence and certificates as to the matters set forth in Section 3.2(h) with respect to the general partner thereof or other separate legal person executing and delivering on its behalf the Documents to which it is a party to be executed by such party in connection herewith, and, in addition, shall have delivered to the Agent certified copies of the partnership agreement, declaration of trust or other agreements or instruments creating or governing the same;
- (u) the Security and other Documents shall have been fully executed and delivered, each in form and substance satisfactory to the Agent, the Lenders and Lender's Counsel, each acting reasonably;
- (v) all registrations, filings and recordings necessary or desirable (as determined by the Lenders' Counsel, acting reasonably) in connection with the Security shall have been made and completed;
- (w) the Transactions Drawdown Date shall have occurred prior to September 8, 2023;
- (x) Lender's Counsel shall have received payment of all previously invoiced fees, disbursements and charged expenses;
- (y) the Agent and the Lenders shall have received legal opinions from legal counsel to the Borrower and the Material Subsidiaries (if any), each of which shall be in form and substance satisfactory to the Agent, acting reasonably; and
- (z) the Agent and the Lenders shall have received all such other documentation and information reasonably requested 5 Banking Days prior to the date of this Agreement from the Borrower and its Subsidiaries (if any) in connection with any AML/KYC Legislation as may be required in accordance with Section 16.17 hereof.

3.3 Waiver

The conditions set forth in Sections 3.1 and 3.2 are inserted for the sole benefit of the Lenders and the Agent and may be waived by all of the Lenders, in whole or in part (with or without terms or conditions) without prejudicing

the right of the Lenders or the Agent at any time to assert such waived conditions in respect of any subsequent Drawdown.

ARTICLE 4 – EVIDENCE OF DRAWDOWNS

4.1 Accounts and Records

The Agent (and, with respect to the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender) shall open and maintain books of account or electronically stored records evidencing all Loans and all other amounts owing by the Borrower to the Lenders hereunder. The Agent (or, with respect to the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender) shall enter in the foregoing accounts or records details of all amounts from time to time owing, paid or repaid by the Borrower hereunder. The information entered in the foregoing accounts or records shall, in the absence of manifest error, constitute conclusive evidence of the obligations of the Borrower to the Lenders hereunder with respect to all Loans and all other amounts owing by the Borrower to the Lenders hereunder. After a request by the Borrower, the Agent (or, with respect to the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender) shall promptly advise the Borrower of such entries made in the Agent's or the Operating Lender's (as the case may be) books of account or electronically stored records.

ARTICLE 5 – PAYMENTS OF INTEREST AND FEES

5.1 Interest on Canadian Prime Rate Loans

The Borrower shall pay interest on each Canadian Prime Rate Loan owing by it during each Interest Period applicable thereto in Canadian Dollars at a rate per annum equal to the Canadian Prime Rate in effect from time to time during such Interest Period plus the Applicable Pricing Rate. Each determination by the Agent or the Operating Lender, as the case may be, of the Canadian Prime Rate applicable from time to time during an Interest Period shall, in the absence of manifest error, be conclusive evidence thereof. Such interest shall accrue daily and shall be payable in arrears on each Interest Payment Date for such Loan for the period from and including the Drawdown Date or the preceding Conversion Date or Interest Payment Date, as the case may be, for such Loan to and including the day preceding such Interest Payment Date and shall be calculated on the principal amount of the Canadian Prime Rate Loan outstanding during such period and on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in a year of 365 days. Changes in the Canadian Prime Rate shall cause an immediate adjustment of the interest rate applicable to such Loans without the necessity of any notice to the Borrower.

5.2 Interest on U.S. Base Rate Loans

The Borrower shall pay interest on each U.S. Base Rate Loan owing by it during each Interest Period applicable thereto in United States Dollars at a rate per annum equal to the U.S. Base Rate in effect from time to time during such Interest Period plus the Applicable Pricing Rate. Each determination by the Agent or the Operating Lender, as the case may be, of the U.S. Base Rate applicable from time to time during an Interest Period shall, in the absence of manifest error, be conclusive evidence thereof. Such interest shall be payable in arrears on each Interest Payment Date for such Loan for the period from and including the Drawdown Date or the preceding Conversion Date or Interest Payment Date, as the case may be, for such Loan to and including the day preceding such Interest Payment Date and shall be calculated on the principal amount of the U.S. Base Rate Loan outstanding during such period and on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in a year of 365 days. Changes in the U.S. Base Rate shall cause an immediate adjustment of the interest rate applicable to such Loans without the necessity of any notice to the Borrower.

5.3 Interest on SOFR Loans

The Borrower shall pay interest on each SOFR Loan owing by it during each Interest Period applicable thereto in United States Dollars at a rate per annum, calculated on the basis of a 360 day year, equal to the sum of Adjusted Term SOFR with respect to such Interest Period plus the Applicable Pricing Rate. Each determination by the Agent or the Operating Lender, as the case may be, of Adjusted Term SOFR applicable to an Interest Period shall, in the absence of manifest error, be conclusive evidence thereof. Such interest shall accrue daily and shall be payable in arrears on each Interest Payment Date for such SOFR Loan for the period from and including the Drawdown Date or the preceding Rollover Date, Conversion Date or Interest Payment Date, as the case may be, for such SOFR Loan

to and including the day preceding such Interest Payment Date and shall be calculated on the principal amount of the SOFR Loan outstanding during such period and on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed divided by 360.

5.4 Interest Act (Canada); Conversion of 360 Day Rates

(1) Whenever a rate of interest or other rate per annum hereunder is calculated on the basis of a year (the "deemed year") which contains fewer days than the actual number of days in the calendar year of calculation, such rate of interest shall be expressed as a yearly rate for purposes of the *Interest Act* (Canada) by multiplying such rate of interest by the actual number of days in the calendar year of calculation and dividing it by the number of days in the deemed year.

(2) Whenever a rate of interest or other rate per annum hereunder is expressed or calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days, such rate of interest or other rate shall be expressed as a rate per annum, calculated on the basis of a 365 day year, by multiplying such rate of interest or other rate by 365 and dividing it by 360.

5.5 Nominal Rates; No Deemed Reinvestment

The principle of deemed reinvestment of interest shall not apply to any interest calculation under this Agreement; all interest payments to be made hereunder shall be paid without allowance or deduction for deemed reinvestment or otherwise, before and after maturity, default and judgment. The rates of interest specified in this Agreement are intended to be nominal rates and not effective rates. Interest calculated hereunder shall be calculated using the nominal rate method and not the effective rate method of calculation.

5.6 Standby Fees

(1) The Borrower shall pay to, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent for the account of the relevant Lenders and, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender, for its own account, a standby fee in Canadian Dollars in respect of each such Credit Facility (as applicable) calculated at a rate per annum equal to the Applicable Pricing Rate on the amount, if any, by which the amount of the Outstanding Principal under any such applicable Credit Facility for each day in the period of determination is less than the maximum amount for each such day of such Credit Facility. Fees determined in accordance with this Section shall accrue daily from and after the date hereof and be payable by the Borrower quarterly in arrears and on cancellation in full of a Credit Facility and on the Maturity Date applicable to such Credit Facility.

(2) As of: (a) the first day of January, April, July and October in each year, (b) the date of any cancellation in full of a Credit Facility, and (c) any Term Out Date applicable to a Credit Facility, the Agent in the case of the Syndicated Facility, and, the Operating Lender, in the case of the Operating Facility, shall determine the standby fees under this Section in respect of the applicable Credit Facilities for the period from and including the date hereof or the date of the immediately preceding determination, as the case may be, to but excluding that date of determination and shall deliver to the Borrower a written request for payment of the standby fees so determined, as detailed therein. The Borrower shall pay to, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent, for the account of the Lenders or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender for its own account, the standby fees referred to above: (i) on the fifth Banking Day of each calendar quarter, in the case of such a written request pursuant to clause (a) above which is received by the Borrower no later than 9:00 a.m. (Calgary time) on the second Banking Day prior to the payment date, (ii) on the second Banking Day following receipt of such a written request pursuant to clause (a) above, if not received by the aforementioned time; and (iii) on the date of cancellation or any Term Out Date applicable to a Credit Facility, in the case of clauses (b) or (c) above.

(3) For certainty, no standby fees shall be payable by the Borrower in respect of a Non-Extending Lender for any period of time after the Term Out Date applicable to such Lender.

5.7 Agent's Fees

From and after the date hereof, the Borrower shall pay to the Agent, for its own account, until the Credit Facilities have been fully cancelled and all Obligations hereunder have been paid in full, the non-refundable agency fees in the amounts and at the times specified in the Agency Fee Agreement.

5.8 Interest on Overdue Amounts

Notwithstanding any other provision hereof, in the event that any amount due hereunder (including any interest payment) is not paid when due (whether by acceleration or otherwise), the Borrower shall pay interest on such unpaid amount (including interest on interest), if and to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, from the date that such amount is due until the date that such amount is paid in full (but excluding the date of such payment if the payment is received for value at the required place of payment on the date of such payment prior to 1:00 p.m. (Toronto time)), and such interest shall accrue daily, be calculated and compounded monthly on the last Banking Day of each such month and be payable in the currency of the relevant Loan on demand, after as well as before maturity, default and judgment, at a rate per annum that is equal to (i) in respect of amounts due in Canadian Dollars, the rate of interest then payable on Canadian Prime Rate Loans (as set forth in Section 5.1) plus [redacted] per annum or (ii) in respect of amounts due in United States Dollars, the rate of interest then payable on U.S. Base Rate Loans (as set forth in Section 5.2) plus [redacted] per annum.

5.9 Waiver

To the extent permitted by applicable law, the covenant of the Borrower to pay interest at the rates provided herein shall not merge in any judgment relating to any obligation of the Borrower to the Lenders or the Agent and any provision of the *Interest Act* (Canada) or *Judgment Interest Act* (Alberta) which restricts any rate of interest set forth herein shall be inapplicable to this Agreement and is hereby waived by the Borrower.

5.10 Maximum Rate Permitted by Law

If any provision of this Agreement or of any of the other Documents would obligate Borrower or any Guarantor to make any payment of interest or other amount payable to the Agent or any Lender in an amount or calculated at a rate which would be prohibited by applicable law or would result in a receipt by the Agent or such Lender of interest at a criminal rate (as such terms are construed under the *Criminal Code* (Canada)) then, notwithstanding such provisions, 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 applicable law or so result in a receipt by the Agent or such Lender of interest at a criminal rate, such adjustment to be effected, to the extent necessary, as follows: (a) firstly, by reducing the amount or rate of interest required to be paid to the Agent or such Lender under Section 5.1, 5.2 or 5.3, and (b) thereafter, by reducing any fees, commissions, premiums and other amounts required to be paid to the Agent or such Lender which would constitute "interest" for purposes of Section 347 of the *Criminal Code* (Canada). Notwithstanding the foregoing, and after giving effect to all adjustments contemplated thereby, if the Agent or any Lender shall have received an amount in excess of the maximum permitted by that section of the *Criminal Code* (Canada), the Borrower shall be entitled, by notice in writing to the Agent or such Lender, to obtain reimbursement from the Agent or such Lender in an amount equal to such excess and, pending such reimbursement, such amount shall be deemed to be an amount payable by the Agent or such Lender to the Borrower. Any amount or rate of interest referred to in this Section 5.10 shall be determined in accordance with GAAP as an effective annual rate of interest over the term that the applicable Loan remains outstanding on the assumption that any charges, fees or expenses that fall within the meaning of "interest" (as defined in the *Criminal Code* (Canada)) shall, if they relate to a specific period of time, be pro-rated over that period of time and otherwise be pro-rated over the period from the date of this Agreement to the applicable Maturity Date.

ARTICLE 6– BANKERS' ACCEPTANCES

6.1 Bankers' Acceptances

Subject to Section 13.2, the Borrower may give the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) notice that Bankers' Acceptances will be required under a Credit Facility pursuant to a Drawdown, Rollover or Conversion.

6.2 Fees

Upon the acceptance by a Lender of a Bankers' Acceptance, the Borrower shall pay to, in the case of such an acceptance under the Syndicated Facility, the Agent for the account of the relevant Lender or, in the case of such an acceptance by the Operating Lender under the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender, (as the case may be), an acceptance fee in Canadian Dollars equal to the Applicable Pricing Rate calculated on the principal amount at maturity of such Bankers' Acceptance and for the period of time from and including the date of acceptance to but excluding the maturity date of such Bankers' Acceptance and calculated on the basis of the number of days elapsed in a year of 365 days.

6.3 Form and Execution of Bankers' Acceptances

The following provisions shall apply to each Bankers' Acceptance hereunder:

- (a) the face amount at maturity of each draft drawn by the Borrower to be accepted as a Bankers' Acceptance shall be in a minimum amount and in integral multiples as set out in Section 2.5;
- (b) the term to maturity of each draft drawn by the Borrower to be accepted as a Bankers' Acceptance shall, subject to market availability as determined by all of the relevant Lenders, be 1 or 3 months (or such other longer or shorter term as agreed by all of the relevant Lenders), as selected by the Borrower in the relevant Drawdown, Rollover or Conversion Notice, and each Bankers' Acceptance shall be payable and mature on the last day of the Interest Period selected by the Borrower for such Bankers' Acceptance (which, for certainty, pursuant to the definition of "Interest Period" shall be on or prior to the Maturity Date of the Credit Facility under which the Bankers' Acceptances are proposed to be issued);
- (c) each draft drawn by the Borrower and presented for acceptance by a Lender shall be drawn on the standard form of such Lender in effect at the time; provided, however, that in respect of Bankers' Acceptances under the Syndicated Facility, the Agent may require the relevant Lenders to use a generic form of Bankers' Acceptance, in a form satisfactory to each such Lender, acting reasonably, provided by the Agent for such purpose in place of such Lenders' own forms;
- (d) subject to Section 6.3(e) below, Bankers' Acceptances shall be signed by duly authorized officers of the Borrower or, in the alternative, the signatures of such officers may be mechanically reproduced in facsimile thereon and Bankers' Acceptances bearing such facsimile signatures shall be binding on the Borrower as if they had been manually executed and delivered by such officers on behalf of the Borrower; notwithstanding that any person whose manual or facsimile signature appears on any Bankers' Acceptance may no longer be an authorized signatory for the Borrower on the date of issuance of a Bankers' Acceptance, such signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes as if such authority had remained in force at the time of such issuance and any such Bankers' Acceptance shall be binding on the Borrower; and
- (e) in lieu of signing Bankers' Acceptances in accordance with Section 6.3(d) above, the Borrower hereby provides a Power of Attorney to each Lender as set out in Section 6.4; for so long as a Power of Attorney is in force with respect to a given Lender, such Lender shall execute and deliver Bankers' Acceptances on behalf of the Borrower in accordance with the provisions thereof and, for certainty, all references herein to drafts drawn by the Borrower, Bankers' Acceptances executed by the

Borrower or similar expressions shall be deemed to include Bankers' Acceptances executed in accordance with a Power of Attorney, unless the context otherwise requires.

6.4 Power of Attorney; Provision of Bankers' Acceptances to Lenders

- (1) Unless revoked with respect to a given Lender in accordance herewith, the Borrower hereby appoints each Lender, acting by any authorized signatory of the Lender in question, the attorney of the Borrower:
- (a) to sign for and on behalf and in the name of the Borrower as drawer, drafts in such Lender's standard form which are depository bills as defined in the *Depository Bills and Notes Act* (Canada) (the "DBNA"), payable to a "clearing house" (as defined in the DBNA) including The Canadian Depository For Securities Limited or its nominee, CDS & Co. (the "**clearing house**");
 - (b) for drafts which are not depository bills, to sign for and on behalf and in the name of the Borrower as drawer and to endorse on its behalf, Bankers' Acceptances drawn on the Lender payable to the order of the undersigned or payable to the order of such Lender;
 - (c) to fill in the amount, date and maturity date of such Bankers' Acceptances; and
 - (d) to deposit and/or deliver such Bankers' Acceptances which have been accepted by such Lender,

provided that such acts in each case are to be undertaken by the Lender in question strictly in accordance with instructions given to such Lender by the Borrower as provided in this Section. For certainty, signatures of any authorized signatory of a Lender may be mechanically reproduced in facsimile on Bankers' Acceptances in accordance herewith and such facsimile signatures shall be binding and effective as if they had been manually executed by such authorized signatory of such Lender.

Instructions from the Borrower to a Lender relating to the execution, completion, endorsement, deposit and/or delivery by that Lender on behalf of the Borrower of Bankers' Acceptances which the Borrower wishes to submit to such Lender for acceptance by such Lender shall be communicated by the Borrower in writing to the Agent by delivery to the Agent of Drawdown Notices, Conversion Notices and Rollover Notices, as the case may be, in accordance with this Agreement which, in turn, shall be communicated by the Agent, on behalf of the Borrower, to the Lender.

The communication in writing by the Borrower, or on behalf of the Borrower by the Agent, to a Lender of the instructions set out in the Drawdown Notices, Conversion Notices and Rollover Notices referred to above shall constitute (a) the authorization and instruction of the Borrower to such Lender to sign for and on behalf and in the name of the Borrower as drawer the requested Bankers' Acceptances and to complete and/or endorse Bankers' Acceptances in accordance with such information as set out above and (b) the request of the Borrower to such Lender to accept such Bankers' Acceptances and deposit the same with the clearing house or deliver the same, as the case may be, in each case in accordance with this Agreement and such instructions. The Borrower acknowledges that a Lender shall not be obligated to accept any such Bankers' Acceptances except in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

A Lender shall be and it is hereby authorized to act on behalf of the Borrower upon and in compliance with instructions communicated to that Lender as provided herein if such Lender reasonably believes such instructions to be genuine. If a Lender accepts Bankers' Acceptances pursuant to any such instructions, that Lender shall confirm particulars of such instructions and advise the Agent that it has complied therewith by notice in writing addressed to the Agent in accordance with the provisions hereof. A Lender's actions in compliance with such instructions, and (if applicable) confirmed and advised to the Agent by such notice, shall be conclusively deemed to have been in accordance with the instructions of the Borrower.

This power of attorney may be revoked by the Borrower with respect to any particular Lender at any time upon not less than 5 Banking Days' prior written notice served upon the Lender in question and the Agent, provided that no such revocation shall reduce, limit or otherwise affect the obligations of the Borrower in respect of any Bankers'

Acceptance executed, completed, endorsed, deposited and/or delivered in accordance herewith prior to the time at which such revocation becomes effective.

(2) Unless the Borrower has provided Powers of Attorney to the Lenders, to facilitate Drawdowns, Rollovers or Conversions of Bankers' Acceptances, the Borrower shall, upon execution of this Agreement and thereafter from time to time as required by the Lenders, provide to the Agent for delivery to each Lender drafts drawn in blank by the Borrower (pre-endorsed and otherwise in fully negotiable form, if applicable) in quantities sufficient for each Lender to fulfil its obligations hereunder. Any such pre signed drafts which are delivered by the Borrower to the Agent or a Lender shall be held in safekeeping by the Agent or such Lender, as the case may be, with the same degree of care as if they were the Agent's or such Lender's property, and shall only be dealt with by the Lenders and the Agent in accordance herewith. No Lender shall be responsible or liable for its failure to make its share of any Drawdown, Rollover or Conversion of Bankers' Acceptances required hereunder if the cause of such failure is, in whole or in part, due to the failure of the Borrower to provide such pre signed drafts to the Agent (for delivery to such Lender) on a timely basis.

(3) By 10:00 a.m. (Calgary time) on the applicable Drawdown Date, Conversion Date or Rollover Date, the Borrower shall (a) either deliver to each Lender in Toronto, or, if previously delivered, be deemed to have authorized each Lender to complete and accept, or (b) where the Borrower has previously executed and delivered a Power of Attorney to such Lender, be deemed to have authorized each such Lender to sign on behalf of the Borrower, complete and accept, drafts drawn by the Borrower on such Lender in a principal amount at maturity equal to such Lender's share of the Bankers' Acceptances specified by the Borrower in the relevant Drawdown Notice, Conversion Notice or Rollover Notice, as the case may be, as notified to the Lenders by the Agent.

6.5 Mechanics of Issuance

(1) Upon receipt by the Agent of a Drawdown Notice, Conversion Notice or Rollover Notice from the Borrower requesting the issuance of Bankers' Acceptances under the Syndicated Facility, the Agent shall promptly notify the Lenders thereof and advise each Lender of the aggregate face amount of Bankers' Acceptances to be accepted by such Lender, the date of issue, the Interest Period for such Loan; the apportionment among the Lenders of the face amounts of Bankers' Acceptances to be accepted by each Lender shall be determined by the Agent by reference and in proportion to the respective Commitments of each Lender, provided that, when such apportionment cannot be evenly made, the Agent shall round allocations amongst such Lenders consistent with the Agent's normal money market practices.

(2) On each Drawdown Date, Rollover Date or Conversion Date involving the issuance of Bankers' Acceptances:

- (a) before 9:00 a.m. (Calgary time) on such date, the Agent shall determine the CDOR Rate and shall obtain quotations from each Schedule II Lender or Schedule III Lender of the Discount Rate then applicable to bankers' acceptances accepted by such Schedule II Lender or Schedule III Lender in respect of an issue of bankers' acceptances in a comparable amount and with comparable maturity to the Bankers' Acceptances proposed to be issued on such date;
- (b) on or about 9:00 a.m. (Calgary time) on such date, the Agent shall determine the BA Discount Rate applicable to each Lender and shall advise each Lender of the BA Discount Rate applicable to it;
- (c) each relevant Lender shall complete and accept, in accordance with the Drawdown Notice, Conversion Notice or Rollover Notice delivered by the Borrower and (if applicable) advised by the Agent in connection with such issue, its share of the Bankers' Acceptances to be issued on such date and shall purchase such Bankers' Acceptances for its own account at a purchase price which reflects the BA Discount Rate applicable to such issue; and
- (d) in the case of a Drawdown, each Lender shall, for same day value on the Drawdown Date, remit the Discount Proceeds or advance the BA Equivalent Advance, as the case may be, payable by such Lender (net of the acceptance fee payable to such Lender pursuant to Section 6.2) to the Agent for

the account of the Borrower; the Agent shall make such funds available to the Borrower for same day value on such date.

(3) Each Lender may at any time and from time to time hold, sell, rediscount or otherwise dispose of any or all Bankers' Acceptances accepted and purchased by it for its own account.

6.6 Rollover, Conversion or Payment on Maturity

In anticipation of the maturity of Bankers' Acceptances, the Borrower shall, subject to and in accordance with the requirements hereof, do one or a combination of the following with respect to the aggregate face amount at maturity of all such Bankers' Acceptances:

- (a) (i) deliver to the Agent a Rollover Notice that the Borrower intends to draw and present for acceptance on the maturity date new Bankers' Acceptances (issued under the same Credit Facility as the maturing Bankers' Acceptances) in an aggregate face amount up to the aggregate amount of the maturing Bankers' Acceptances and (ii) on the maturity date pay to the Agent for the account of the Lenders an additional amount equal to the difference between the aggregate face amount of the maturing Bankers' Acceptances and the Discount Proceeds of such new Bankers' Acceptances;
- (b) (i) deliver to the Agent a Conversion Notice requesting a Conversion of the maturing Bankers' Acceptances to another type of Loan under the same Credit Facility as the maturing Bankers' Acceptances and (ii) on the maturity date pay to the Agent for the account of the Lenders an amount equal to the difference, if any, between the aggregate face amount of the maturing Bankers' Acceptances and the amount of the Loans into which Conversion is requested; or
- (c) on the maturity date of the maturing Bankers' Acceptances, pay to the Agent for the account of the Lenders an amount equal to the aggregate face amount of such Bankers' Acceptances.

If the Borrower fails to so notify the Agent or make such payments on maturity, the Agent shall effect a Conversion into a Canadian Prime Rate Loan under the same Credit Facility as the maturing Bankers' Acceptances of the entire amount of such maturing Bankers' Acceptances as if a Conversion Notice had been given by the Borrower to the Agent to that effect.

6.7 Restriction on Rollovers and Conversions

Subject to the other provisions hereof, Conversions and Rollovers of Bankers' Acceptances may only occur on the maturity date thereof.

6.8 Rollovers

In order to satisfy the continuing liability of the Borrower to a Lender for the face amount of maturing Bankers' Acceptances accepted by such Lender, the Lender shall receive and retain for its own account the Discount Proceeds of new Bankers' Acceptances issued on a Rollover, and the Borrower shall on the maturity date of the Bankers' Acceptances being rolled over pay to the Agent for the account of the Lenders an amount equal to the difference between the face amount of the maturing Bankers' Acceptances and the Discount Proceeds from the new Bankers' Acceptances, together with the acceptance fees to which the relevant Lenders are entitled pursuant to Section 6.2.

6.9 Conversion into Bankers' Acceptances

In respect of Conversions into Bankers' Acceptances, in order to satisfy the continuing liability of the Borrower to the Lenders for the amount of the converted Loan, each Lender shall receive and retain for its own account the Discount Proceeds of the Bankers' Acceptances issued upon such Conversion, and the Borrower shall on the Conversion Date pay to the Agent for the account of the Lenders an amount equal to the difference between the principal amount of the converted Loan and the aggregate Discount Proceeds from the Bankers' Acceptances issued

on such Conversion, together with the acceptance fees to which the relevant Lenders are entitled pursuant to Section 6.2.

6.10 Conversion from Bankers' Acceptances

In order to satisfy the continuing liability of the Borrower to the Lenders for an amount equal to the aggregate face amount of the maturing Bankers' Acceptances converted to another type of Loan, the Agent shall record the obligation of the Borrower to the Lenders as a Loan of the type into which such continuing liability has been converted.

6.11 BA Equivalent Advances

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Article 6, a Non-Acceptance Lender shall, in lieu of accepting Bankers' Acceptances, make a BA Equivalent Advance. The amount of each BA Equivalent Advance shall be equal to the Discount Proceeds which would be realized from a hypothetical sale of those Bankers' Acceptances which, but for this Section, such Lender would otherwise be required to accept as part of such a Drawdown, Conversion or Rollover of Bankers' Acceptances. To determine the amount of such Discount Proceeds, the hypothetical sale shall be deemed to take place at the BA Discount Rate for such Loan. Any BA Equivalent Advance shall be made on the relevant Drawdown Date, Rollover Date or Conversion Date as the case may be and shall remain outstanding for the term of the relevant Bankers' Acceptances. Concurrent with the making of a BA Equivalent Advance, a Non-Acceptance Lender shall be entitled to deduct therefrom an amount equal to the acceptance fee which, but for this Section, such Lender would otherwise be entitled to receive as part of such Loan. Subject to Section 6.6, upon the maturity date for such Bankers' Acceptances, the Borrower shall pay to each Non-Acceptance Lender an amount equal to the face amount at maturity of the Bankers' Acceptances which, but for this Section, such Lender would otherwise be required to accept as part of such a Drawdown, Conversion or Rollover of Bankers' Acceptances as repayment of the amount of its BA Equivalent Advance; for all purposes of this Agreement, the principal amount of each Loan made by way of BA Equivalent Advance shall be deemed to be such face amount. All BA Equivalent Advances made by a Non-Acceptance Lender shall, if requested by such Lender, be evidenced by promissory notes of the Borrower in form and substance satisfactory to such Lender, acting reasonably and the provisions of Section 6.4 shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*.

All references herein to "Loans" and "Bankers' Acceptances" shall, unless otherwise expressly provided herein or unless the context otherwise requires, be deemed to include BA Equivalent Advances made by a Non-Acceptance Lender as part of a Drawdown, Conversion or Rollover of Bankers' Acceptances.

6.12 Termination of Bankers' Acceptances

If at any time a Lender does not accept bankers' acceptances in the ordinary course of its business, such Lender shall be deemed to be a Non-Acceptance Lender and shall make BA Equivalent Advances in lieu of accepting Bankers' Acceptances under this Agreement.

6.13 Bankers' Acceptances under the Operating Facility

Notwithstanding anything in this Article 6 to the contrary, with respect to Bankers' Acceptances accepted by the Operating Lender or BA Equivalent Advances made by the Operating Lender (if the Operating Lender is a Non-Acceptance Lender), references in this Article 6 to the Agent shall be deemed to be references to the Operating Lender for all purposes of this Article 6.

ARTICLE 7– LETTERS OF CREDIT

7.1 Availability

Subject to the provisions hereof, the Borrower may require that Letters of Credit be issued under the Syndicated Facility or the Operating Facility in accordance with the Drawdown Notices and Rollover Notices of the Borrower; provided that: (a) the aggregate Outstanding Principal represented by all outstanding Letters of Credit under the Syndicated Facility shall not exceed [redacted - dollar amount]; and (b) the aggregate Outstanding Principal of all

Fronted LCs issued by a given Fronting Lender shall not exceed the Individual Fronting Limit applicable to such Fronting Lender.

The issuance of Letters of Credit shall constitute Drawdowns or Rollovers (as applicable) hereunder and shall reduce the availability of the Syndicated Facility or Operating Facility, as the case may be, by the aggregate Outstanding Principal of Letters of Credit under such Credit Facility. For certainty, Letters of Credit issued under the Syndicated Facility shall be issued by the applicable Fronting Lender, and Letters of Credit issued under the Operating Facility shall be issued by the Operating Lender.

7.2 Currency, Type, Form and Expiry

Letters of Credit issued pursuant hereto shall be denominated in Canadian Dollars or United States Dollars and amounts payable thereunder shall be paid in the currency in which the Letter of Credit is denominated. A Letter of Credit issued hereunder shall, at the option of the Borrower (as specified in the relevant Drawdown Notice or Rollover Notice), be issued (a) by the Operating Lender under the Operating Facility or (b) under the Syndicated Facility, by the applicable Fronting Lender as a Fronted LC. Letters of Credit shall be in a form satisfactory to the Operating Lender or Fronting Lender (as the case may be), acting reasonably, and shall have an expiration date not in excess of one year from the date of issue. On the Operating Facility Maturity Date or the Syndicated Facility Maturity Date, as applicable, the Borrower shall provide or cause to be provided to the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) cash collateral in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.16(2) in an amount equal to or greater than the aggregate undrawn amount of all unexpired Letters of Credit outstanding under the Syndicated Facility or the Operating Facility, as the case may be; such cash collateral shall be held by the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) and be applied in accordance with said Section 2.16(2) in satisfaction of and security for the Obligations of the Borrower for such unexpired Letters of Credit.

7.3 No Conversion

Except as provided in Section 7.6, the Borrower may not effect a Conversion of a Letter of Credit.

7.4 Fronted LC Provisions

(1) The Fronting Lender will exercise and give the same care and attention to each Fronted LC issued by it hereunder as it gives to its other letters of credit and similar obligations, and the Fronting Lender's sole liability to each Lender shall be to promptly return to the Agent for the account of the Lenders, each Lender's Rateable Portion of any payments made to the Fronting Lender by the Borrower hereunder (other than the fees and amounts payable to the Fronting Lender for its own account) if the Borrower has made a payment to the Fronting Lender hereunder. Each Lender agrees that, in paying any drawing under a Fronted LC, the Fronting Lender shall not have any responsibility to obtain any document (other than as expressly required by such Fronted LC) or to ascertain or inquire as to the validity or accuracy of any such document or the authority of any person delivering any such document. Neither the Fronting Lender nor any of its representatives, officers, employees or agents shall be liable to any Lender for:

- (a) any action taken or omitted to be taken in connection herewith at the request or with the approval of the Lenders;
- (b) any action taken or omitted to be taken in connection with any Fronted LC in the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct; or
- (c) the execution, effectiveness, genuineness, validity, or enforceability of any Fronted LC, or any other document contemplated thereby.

The Fronting Lender shall not incur any liability by acting in reliance upon any notice, consent, certificate, statement or other writing (which may be a bank wire, telex, electronic mail transmittal or similar writing) believed by it to be genuine or to be signed by the proper person or persons.

(2) The Borrower and each Lender hereby authorize the Fronting Lender to review on behalf of each Lender each draft and other document presented under each Fronted LC. The determination of the Fronting Lender as to the conformity of any documents presented under a Fronted LC to the requirements of such Fronted LC shall, in the absence of such Fronting Lender's gross negligence or wilful misconduct, be conclusive and binding on the Borrower and each Lender. The Fronting Lender shall, within a reasonable time following its receipt thereof, examine all documents purporting to represent a demand for payment under any Fronted LC. The Fronting Lender shall promptly after such examination:

- (a) notify the Agent and the Borrower by telephone (confirmed in writing) of such demand for payment;
- (b) deliver to the Agent a copy of each document purporting to represent a demand for payment under such Fronted LC; and
- (c) notify the Agent and the Borrower whether said demand for payment was properly made under such Fronted LC.

7.5 Records

The Operating Lender, in the case of a Letter of Credit issued under the Operating Facility and, if applicable, the applicable Fronting Lender in the case of a Fronted LC, shall each maintain records showing the undrawn and unexpired amount of each Letter of Credit issued by it and outstanding hereunder and each Lender's share of such amount and showing for each Letter of Credit:

- (a) the dates of issuance and expiration thereof;
- (b) the amount thereof; and
- (c) the date and amount of all payments made thereunder.

Each of the Operating Lender and, if applicable, the applicable Fronting Lender, shall make copies of such records available to the Agent, the Borrower or any Lender (as applicable) upon its request.

7.6 Reimbursement or Conversion on Presentation

On presentation of a Letter of Credit and payment thereunder by the Operating Lender, in the case of a Letter of Credit issued under the Operating Facility, or by the applicable Fronting Lender, in the case of a Fronted LC, the Borrower shall forthwith pay to and reimburse the Operating Lender or the Agent for the account of the applicable Fronting Lender (as the case may be) for all amounts paid pursuant to such Letter of Credit; failing such payment, the Borrower shall be deemed to have effected a Conversion of such Letter of Credit into: (a) a Canadian Prime Rate Loan, in the case of a Letter of Credit denominated in Canadian Dollars, and (b) a U.S. Base Rate Loan, in the case of a Letter of Credit denominated in United States Dollars, in each case, under the same Credit Facility as such Letter of Credit was issued and to the extent of the payment by the Operating Lender or the applicable Fronting Lender (as the case may be) thereunder.

7.7 Fronting Lender Indemnity

(1) If the Fronting Lender makes payment under any Fronted LC and the Borrower does not fully reimburse the Fronting Lender on or before the date of payment, then Section 7.6 shall apply to deem a Loan to be outstanding to the Borrower under this Agreement in the manner herein set out. Each Lender shall, on request by the Fronting Lender, immediately pay to the Fronting Lender an amount equal to such Lender's Rateable Portion of the amount paid by the Fronting Lender such that each Lender is participating in the deemed Loan in accordance with its Rateable Portion and, for certainty, regardless of whether any Default or Event of Default is then outstanding or whether any other condition to the making of a Loan has been satisfied or not.

(2) Each Lender shall immediately on demand indemnify the Fronting Lender to the extent of such Lender's Rateable Portion of any amount paid or liability incurred by the Fronting Lender under each Fronted LC issued by it to the extent that the Borrower does not fully reimburse the Fronting Lender therefor.

(3) For certainty, the obligations in this Section 7.7 shall continue as obligations of those Lenders who were Lenders at the time when each such Letter of Credit was issued notwithstanding that such Lender may assign its rights and obligations hereunder, unless the Fronting Lender specifically releases such Lender from such obligations in writing.

7.8 Fees and Expenses

(1) The Borrower shall pay to the Operating Lender, in the case of the issuance of a Letter of Credit under the Operating Facility, and to the Agent for the account of the Lenders, in the case of the issuance of a Letter of Credit under the Syndicated Facility, an issuance fee, payable quarterly in arrears on the fifth Banking Day of each calendar quarter and payable on the Maturity Date or (if applicable) any earlier date on which the Credit Facility under which such Letter of Credit is issued is fully cancelled, calculated at a rate per annum equal to the Applicable Pricing Rate and on the average daily amount of each such Letter of Credit for the number of days such Letter of Credit was outstanding for the period from and including the date of issuance or the date of the immediately preceding determination of issuance fees (as the case may be) to but excluding that date of determination, in each case, in a year of 365 days; provided that the minimum issuance fee for each such Letter of Credit shall be Cdn.\$350 for Letter of Credit denominated in Canadian Dollars and U.S.\$350 for Letter of Credit denominated in United States Dollars.

(2) The Borrower shall pay to the applicable Fronting Lender in respect of the issuance of any Fronted LC, a fronting fee, payable quarterly in arrears on the fifth Banking Day of each calendar quarter and payable on the Maturity Date or (if applicable) any earlier date on which the Syndicated Facility is fully cancelled, calculated at a rate per annum as is agreed in writing between the Borrower and the Fronting Lender from time to time (as advised to the Agent in writing by the applicable Fronting Lender from time to time) on the average daily amount of each such Fronted LC for the number of days which such Fronted LC was outstanding for the period from and including the date of issuance or the date of the immediately preceding determination of such fees (as the case may be) to but excluding that date of determination, in each case, in a year of 365 days.

(3) In addition, with respect to all Letters of Credit, the Borrower shall from time to time pay to the Operating Lender or the Fronting Lender, as the case may be, its usual and customary fees and charges (at the then prevailing rates) for the issuance, amendment, delivery and administration of letters of credit such as the Letters of Credit and shall pay and reimburse the applicable Fronting Lender, the Operating Lender, the Agent or the Lenders, as applicable, for any out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred in connection with any Letter of Credit, including in connection with any payment thereunder.

7.9 Additional Provisions

(1) Indemnity and No Lender Liability

The Borrower shall indemnify and save harmless the Lenders, the Fronting Lender, the Operating Lender and the Agent against all claims, losses, costs, expenses or damages to the Lenders, the Fronting Lender, the Operating Lender and the Agent arising out of or in connection with any Letter of Credit, the issuance thereof, any payment thereunder or any action taken by the Lenders, the Fronting Lender, the Operating Lender or the Agent or any other person in connection therewith, including all costs relating to any legal process or proceeding instituted by any party restraining or seeking to restrain the issuer of a Letter of Credit, the applicable Fronting Lender, the Operating Lender, the Agent or the relevant Lenders from accepting or paying any Draft or any amount under any such Letter of Credit, except as a result of the Agent's, Lenders', Fronting Lender's or Operating Lender's (as applicable) gross negligence or wilful misconduct, as determined in a final, non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction. The Borrower also agrees that the Lenders, the Fronting Lender, the Operating Lender and the Agent shall have no liability to it for any reason in respect of or in connection with any Letter of Credit, the issuance thereof, any payment thereunder or any other action taken by the Lenders, the Fronting Lender, the Operating Lender or the Agent or any other person in connection therewith, except as a result of the Agent's, Lenders', Fronting Lender's or Operating

Lender's (as applicable) gross negligence or wilful misconduct, as determined in a final, non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(2) No Obligation to Inquire

The Borrower hereby acknowledges and confirms to each of the Operating Lender, the Fronting Lenders, the Agent and the Lenders that the Operating Lender, the Fronting Lender, the Agent and the Lenders shall not be obliged to make any inquiry or investigation as to the right of any beneficiary to make any claim or Draft or request any payment under a Letter of Credit and payment pursuant to a Letter of Credit shall not be withheld by reason of any matters in dispute between the beneficiary thereof and the Borrower. The sole obligation of the Operating Lender and the Fronting Lenders, as applicable, with respect to Letters of Credit is to cause to be paid a Draft drawn or purporting to be drawn in accordance with the terms of the applicable Letter of Credit and for such purpose the Operating Lender and the applicable Fronting Lender, as the case may be, is only obliged to determine that the Draft purports to comply with the terms and conditions of the relevant Letter of Credit.

The Operating Lender, the Fronting Lender, the Agent and the Lenders shall not have any responsibility or liability for or any duty to inquire into the form, sufficiency (other than to the extent provided in the preceding paragraph), authorization, execution, signature, endorsement, correctness (other than to the extent provided in the preceding paragraph), genuineness or legal effect of any Draft, certificate or other document presented to it pursuant to a Letter of Credit and the Borrower unconditionally assumes all risks with respect to the same. The Borrower agrees that it assumes all risks of the acts or omissions of the beneficiary of any Letter of Credit with respect to the use by such beneficiary of the relevant Letter of Credit. The Borrower further agrees that neither the Agent nor any Lender, including the Fronting Lender and the Operating Lender, nor any of their respective officers, directors or correspondents will assume liability for, or be responsible for:

- (a) the validity, correctness, genuineness or legal effect of any document or instrument relating to any Letter of Credit, even if such document or instrument should in fact prove to be in any respect invalid, insufficient, inaccurate, fraudulent or forged;
- (b) the failure of any document or instrument to bear any reference or adequate reference to any Letter of Credit;
- (c) any failure to note the amount of any Draft on any Letter of Credit or on any related document or instrument;
- (d) any failure of the beneficiary of any Letter of Credit to meet the obligations of such beneficiary to the Borrower or any other person;
- (e) any errors, inaccuracies, omissions, interruptions or delays in transmission or delivery of any messages, directions or correspondence by mail, facsimile or otherwise, whether or not they are in cipher;
- (f) any inaccuracies in the translation of any messages, directions or correspondence or for errors in the interpretation of any technical terms; or
- (g) any failure by the applicable Fronting Lender or the Operating Lender, as the case may be, to make payment under any Letter of Credit as a result of any law, control or restriction rightfully or wrongfully exercised or imposed by any domestic or foreign court or government or Governmental Authority or as a result of any other cause beyond the control of the applicable Fronting Lender, the Operating Lender, or their respective officers, directors or correspondents.

(3) Obligations Unconditional

The obligations of the Borrower hereunder with respect to all Letters of Credit shall be absolute, unconditional and irrevocable and shall not be reduced by any event, circumstance or occurrence, including any lack

of validity or enforceability of a Letter of Credit, or any Draft paid or acted upon by the Operating Lender, the applicable Fronting Lender, or any of their respective officers, directors, agents, employees or correspondents, or any Letter of Credit being fraudulent, forged, invalid or insufficient in any respect (except with respect to their gross negligence or wilful misconduct or payment under a Letter of Credit other than in substantial compliance therewith), or any set-off, defenses, rights or claims which the Borrower may have against any beneficiary or transferee of any Letter of Credit. The obligations of the Borrower hereunder shall remain in full force and effect and shall apply to any alteration to or extension of the expiration date of any Letter of Credit or any Letter of Credit issued to replace, extend or alter any Letter of Credit.

(4) Other Actions

Any action, inaction or omission taken or suffered by the Operating Lender, the applicable Fronting Lender, the Agent or any Lender or by any of their respective correspondents under or in connection with a Letter of Credit or any Draft made thereunder, if in good faith and in conformity with foreign or domestic laws, regulation or customs applicable thereto shall be binding upon the Borrower and shall not place the Operating Lender, the Fronting Lender, the Agent, any Lender or any of their respective directors, agents, employees or correspondents under any resulting liability to the Borrower. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Operating Lender, the Fronting Lender, the Agent, any Lender and their respective officers, directors, agents, employees or correspondents may receive, accept or pay as complying with the terms of a Letter of Credit, any Draft thereunder, otherwise in order which may be signed by, or issued to, the administrator or any executor of, or the trustee in bankruptcy of, or the receiver for any property of, or any person or entity acting as a representative or in the place of, such beneficiary or its successors and assigns. The Borrower covenants that it will not take any steps, issue any instructions to any Operating Lender, any Fronting Lender, the Agent, any Lender or any of their respective officers, directors, agents, employees or correspondents or institute any proceedings intended to derogate from the right or ability of any Operating Lender, any Fronting Lender, the Agent, any Lender or their respective officers, directors, agents, employees or correspondents to honour and pay any Letter of Credit or any Drafts.

(5) Payment of Contingent Liabilities

The Borrower shall pay to the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) an amount equal to the maximum amount available to be drawn under any unexpired Letter of Credit which becomes the subject of any order, judgment, injunction or other such determination (an "**Order**"), or any petition, proceeding or other application for any Order by the Borrower or any other party, restricting payment under and in accordance with such Letter of Credit or extending the Operating Lender's or the Fronting Lender's or Lenders' liability, as the case may be, under such Letter of Credit beyond the expiration date stated therein; payment in respect of each such Letter of Credit shall be due forthwith upon demand in the currency in which such Letter of Credit is denominated.

Any amount paid to the Agent or the Operating Lender (as case may be) pursuant to the preceding paragraph shall be held by the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) in interest bearing cash collateral accounts (with interest payable for the account of the Borrower at the rates and in accordance with the then prevailing practices of the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) for accounts of such type) as continuing security for the Obligations (and the Borrower hereby grants to the Agent and the Operating Lender a fixed charge and specific security interest in such amounts as security for the Obligations) and shall, prior to an Event of Default be applied by the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) against the Obligations for such Letter of Credit if payment is required thereunder; after an Event of Default the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) shall apply such amounts, firstly, against any Obligations in respect of the relevant Letter of Credit, and, after satisfaction of such Obligations or expiry of such Letter of Credit, against any other Obligations in accordance with Section 8.4.

The Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) shall release to the Borrower any amount remaining in the cash collateral accounts after applying the amounts necessary to discharge the Obligations relating to such Letter of Credit, upon the later of:

- (a) the date on which any final and non-appealable order, judgment or other determination has been rendered or issued either terminating any applicable Order or permanently enjoining the Operating Lender, such applicable Fronting Lender or Lenders, as the case may be, from paying under such Letter of Credit;

- (b) the earlier of:
 - (i) the date on which either the original counterpart of such Letter of Credit is returned to the Operating Lender, the applicable Fronting Lender or the Agent, as the case may be, for cancellation or the Operating Lender, the applicable Fronting Lender or Lenders, as the case may be, is or are released by the beneficiary thereof from any other obligation in respect of such Letter of Credit to the satisfaction of the Operating Lender, the applicable Fronting Lender or the Agent, as the case may be, acting reasonably; and
 - (ii) the expiry of such Letter of Credit; and
- (c) if an Event of Default has occurred, the payment and satisfaction of all Obligations and the cancellation or termination of the Credit Facilities.
- (6) No Consequential Damages

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Documents to the contrary, the Operating Lender, the Fronting Lenders, the Agent and the Lenders shall not be liable to the Borrower for any consequential, indirect, punitive or exemplary damages with respect to action taken or omitted to be taken by any of them under or in respect of any Letter of Credit.

(7) Uniform Customs and Practice

The Uniform Customs and Practice for Documentary Credits as most recently published by the International Chamber of Commerce (the "**Uniform Customs**") shall in all respects apply to each Letter of Credit unless expressly provided to the contrary therein and shall be deemed for such purpose to be a part of this Agreement as if fully incorporated herein. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the Uniform Customs and the governing law of this Agreement, the Uniform Customs shall, to the extent permitted by applicable law, prevail to the extent necessary to remove the conflict or inconsistency.

7.10 Certain Information and Notices to the Agent with Respect to Letters of Credit Under the Syndicated Facility

(1) The Fronting Lender (if other than the Agent) shall forthwith advise the Agent of any payment under, or cancellation of (whether full or partial), any Letter of Credit issued by such Fronting Lender pursuant hereto.

(2) All Rollover Notices requesting a Rollover of a Letter of Credit under the Syndicated Facility shall be delivered to the Agent (rather than directly to the Fronting Lender) and, in addition to the other provisions hereof applicable to such a Rollover, no Rollover of a Letter of Credit issued under the Syndicated Facility shall be made unless a Rollover Notice is given to the Agent in accordance with Section 2.6.

ARTICLE 8 – PLACE AND APPLICATION OF PAYMENTS

8.1 Place of Payment of Principal, Interest and Fees; Payments to Agent and the Operating Lender

All payments of principal, interest, fees and other amounts to be made by the Borrower to the Agent, the Fronting Lenders and the Lenders (including the Operating Lender) pursuant to this Agreement shall be made to the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) without set-off, counterclaim, deduction or reduction of any nature or kind whatsoever (for, as applicable, the account of the relevant Lenders, the applicable Fronting Lender or its own account) in the currency in which the relevant Loan is outstanding for value on the day such amount is due, and if such day is not a Banking Day on the Banking Day next following, by deposit or transfer thereof to the applicable Agent's Account or the Operating Lender's Account, as the case may be, or at such other place as the Borrower and the Agent or the Borrower and the Operating Lender may from time to time agree. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary expressed or implied in this Agreement, the receipt by the Agent in accordance with this Agreement of any payment made by the Borrower related to the Syndicated Facility for the account of any of the relevant Lenders shall,

insofar as the Borrower's obligations to the relevant Lenders are concerned, be deemed also to be receipt by such Lenders and the Borrower shall have no liability in respect of any failure or delay on the part of the Agent in disbursing and/or accounting to the relevant Lenders in regard thereto.

8.2 Designated Accounts of the Lenders

All payments of principal, interest, fees or other amounts to be made by the Agent to the Lenders pursuant to this Agreement shall be made for value on the day required hereunder, provided the Agent receives funds from the Borrower for value on such day, and if such funds are not so received from the Borrower or if such day is not a Banking Day, on the Banking Day next following, by deposit or transfer thereof at the time specified herein to the account of each Lender designated by such Lender to the Agent for such purpose or to such other place or account as the Lenders may from time to time notify the Agent.

8.3 Funds

Each amount advanced, disbursed or paid hereunder shall be advanced, disbursed or paid, as the case may be, in such form of funds as may from time to time be customarily used in Calgary, Alberta, Toronto, Ontario and New York, New York in the settlement of banking transactions similar to the banking transactions required to give effect to the provisions of this Agreement on the day such advance, disbursement or payment is to be made (for certainty, each such amount advanced, disbursed or paid, as the case may be, in immediately available funds to the extent possible in the relevant jurisdiction).

8.4 Application of Payments

Except as otherwise agreed in writing by all of the Lenders, if any Event of Default shall occur and be continuing, all payments made by the Borrower to the Agent, the Operating Lender and the Lenders shall be applied in the following order:

- (a) to amounts due hereunder as fees other than acceptance fees for Bankers' Acceptances or issuance fees for Letters of Credit;
- (b) to amounts due hereunder as costs and expenses;
- (c) to amounts due hereunder as default interest;
- (d) to amounts due hereunder as interest or acceptance fees for Bankers' Acceptances or issuance fees for Letters of Credit; and
- (e) to amounts due hereunder as principal (including reimbursement obligations in respect of Bankers' Acceptances and Letters of Credit).

8.5 Payments Clear of Taxes; FATCA

(1) Subject to Section 8.5(2), any and all payments by the Borrower to the Agent or the Lenders on account of any obligation of the Borrower shall be made free and clear of, and without deduction or withholding for or on account of, any and all Indemnified Taxes and all liabilities with respect thereto imposed, levied, collected, withheld or assessed by any Governmental Authority or under the laws of any international tax authority imposed on the Agent or the Lenders, or by or on behalf of the foregoing (and, for greater certainty, nothing in this Section 8.5(1) shall make the Borrower liable for any Excluded Taxes). In addition, the Borrower agrees to pay any Indemnified Taxes which arise from any payment made under this Agreement or the Loans or in respect of the execution, delivery or registration or the compliance with this Agreement or the other Documents contemplated hereunder. The Borrower shall indemnify and hold harmless the Agent and the Lenders for the full amount of all Indemnified Taxes and any liability (including penalties, interest, additions to tax and reasonable out-of-pocket expenses) resulting therefrom or with respect thereto.

(2) If the Borrower shall be required by law to deduct or withhold any Indemnified Taxes from any payment or other amount required to be paid to the Agent or the Lenders hereunder, or if any liability therefor shall be imposed or shall arise from or in respect of any sum payable hereunder, then the sum payable to the Agent or the Lenders hereunder shall be increased as may be necessary so that after making all required deductions, withholdings, and additional Indemnified Taxes payments attributable thereto (including deductions, withholdings or income tax payable for additional sums payable under this provision) the Agent or the Lenders, as the case may be, receive an amount equal to the amount they would have received had no such deductions or withholdings been made or if such additional taxes had not been imposed; in addition, the Borrower shall pay the full amount deducted or withheld for such liabilities to the relevant taxation authority or other authority in accordance with applicable law, such payment to be made (if the liability is imposed on the Borrower) for its own account or (if the liability is imposed on the Agent or the Lenders) on behalf of and in the name of the Agent or the Lenders, as the case may be. If the liability is imposed on the Agent or the Lenders, the Borrower shall deliver to the Agent or the relevant Lenders evidence satisfactory to the Agent or the Lenders, acting reasonably, of the payment to the relevant taxation authority or other authority of the full amount deducted or withheld.

(3) As soon as practicable after any payment of Indemnified Taxes by Borrower to a Governmental Authority, Borrower shall deliver to the Agent the original or a certified copy of a receipt issued by such Governmental Authority evidencing such payment, a copy of the return reporting such payment or other evidence of such payment reasonably satisfactory to the Agent.

(4) If a payment made to a Lender under any Document would be subject to U.S. federal withholding Tax imposed by FATCA if such Lender were to fail to comply with the applicable reporting requirements of FATCA (including those contained in Section 1471(b) or 1472(b) of the Code, as applicable, or the *Income Tax Act* (Canada)), such Lender shall deliver to the Borrower and/or the Agent (as applicable) at the time or times prescribed by Applicable Laws and at such time or times reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Agent such documentation prescribed by Applicable Laws (including as prescribed by Section 1471(b)(3)(C)(i) of the Code) and such additional documentation reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Agent as may be necessary for the Borrower and the Agent to comply with their obligations under FATCA and to determine that such Lender has complied with such Lender's obligations under FATCA or the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) or to determine the amount to deduct and withhold from such payment. Solely for purposes of this Section 8.5(4), "FATCA" shall include any amendments made to FATCA after the date of this Agreement.

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

(6) Each party's obligations under this Section 8.5 shall survive the resignation or replacement of the Agent or any assignment of rights by, or the replacement of, a Lender, the termination of the Commitments and the repayment, satisfaction or discharge of all Obligations.

8.6 Set-Off

(1) In addition to any rights now or hereafter granted under applicable law and not by way of limitation of any such rights, upon the occurrence of an Event of Default which remains unremedied (whether or not the Loans have been accelerated hereunder), the Agent and each Lender shall have the right (and are hereby authorized by the Borrower) at any time and from time to time to combine all or any of the Borrower's accounts with the Agent or the Lender, as the case may be, and to set-off and to appropriate and to apply any and all deposits (general or special, term or demand) including, but not limited to, indebtedness evidenced by certificates of deposit whether matured or unmatured, and any other indebtedness at any time held by the Borrower or owing by such Lender or the Agent, as the case may be, to or for the credit or account of the Borrower against and towards the satisfaction of any Obligations owing by the Borrower, and may do so notwithstanding that the balances of such accounts and the liabilities are expressed in different currencies, and the Agent and each Lender are hereby authorized to effect any necessary currency conversions at the noon spot rate of exchange announced by the Bank of Canada on the Banking Day before the day of conversion.

(2) The Agent or the applicable Lender, as the case may be, shall notify the Borrower of any such set-off from the Borrower's accounts within a reasonable period of time thereafter, although the Agent or the Lender, as the case may be, shall not be liable to the Borrower for its failure to so notify.

8.7 Margin Changes; Adjustments for Margin Changes

- (1) Changes in the Applicable Pricing Rate shall be effective:
 - (a) from and as of the day the Borrower delivers a Compliance Certificate pursuant hereto evidencing a change in the Consolidated Total Debt to EBITDA Ratio which results in a change in the Applicable Pricing Rate in accordance with the provisions of such definition; and
 - (b) without the necessity of notice to the Borrower,

provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 8.7, if the Borrower has failed to deliver a Compliance Certificate for the immediately preceding fiscal quarter in accordance with the provisions hereof, then the Consolidated Total Debt to EBITDA Ratio shall be deemed to be greater than 3.00:1.00 for the purposes of determining the Applicable Pricing Rate until the Borrower has remedied such failure and delivered such Compliance Certificate (and, from and after such delivery, the Applicable Pricing Rate shall be based upon the Consolidated Total Debt to EBITDA Ratio set forth in such Compliance Certificate for the remainder of the period until the next such Compliance Certificate is required to be delivered hereunder). With respect to Bankers' Acceptances outstanding on the effective date of any such change in the Applicable Pricing Rate, changes in the Applicable Pricing Rate shall become applicable thereto upon the next Rollover or Conversion thereof after such change.

ARTICLE 9 – REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

9.1 Representations and Warranties

The Borrower represents and warrants as follows to the Agent and to each of the Lenders and acknowledges and confirms that the Agent and each of the Lenders are relying upon such representations and warranties:

- (a) Existence and Good Standing

The Borrower and each of its Material Subsidiaries is a corporation validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of formation or is a partnership or trust validly existing under the laws of its jurisdiction of formation; each is duly registered in all other jurisdictions where the nature of its property or character of its business requires registration, except for jurisdictions where the failure to be so registered or qualified would not have and would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, and each has all necessary power and authority to own its properties and carry on its business as presently carried on or as contemplated by the Documents.

- (b) Authority

The Borrower and each of its Material Subsidiaries has full power, legal right and authority to enter into the Documents to which it is a party and do all such acts and things as are required by such Documents to be done, observed or performed, in accordance with the terms thereof.

- (c) Valid Authorization and Execution

The Borrower and each of its Material Subsidiaries has taken all necessary corporate, partnership and other action (as applicable) of its directors, shareholders, partners, trustees and other persons (as applicable) to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of the Documents to which it is a party and to observe and perform the provisions thereof in accordance with the terms therein contained.

(d) Validity of Agreement – Non-Conflict

None of the authorization, execution or delivery of this Agreement or performance of any obligation pursuant thereto requires or will require, pursuant to applicable law now in effect, any approval or consent of any Governmental Authority having jurisdiction (except such as has already been obtained and are in full force and effect) nor is in conflict with or in contravention of (i) the Borrower's or any of its Material Subsidiary's articles, by-laws or other constating documents or any resolutions of directors or shareholders or partners, as applicable, or the provisions of its partnership agreement or declaration of trust or trust indenture (as applicable) or (ii) the provisions of any other indenture, instrument, undertaking or other agreement to which the Borrower or any of its Material Subsidiaries is a party or by which they or their properties or assets are bound, the contravention of which would have or would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. The Documents when executed and delivered will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Borrower and each of its Material Subsidiaries which is a party thereto enforceable against each such party in accordance with their respective terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other laws of general application limiting the enforceability of creditors' rights and to the fact that equitable remedies are only available in the discretion of the court.

(e) Ownership of Property

The Borrower and each of its Material Subsidiaries has good, marketable and valid title to its material property and assets (including the Borrowing Base Properties, their P&NG Rights, their P&NG Leases and to their other material property, including the right to extract, produce, take and retain therefrom all Petroleum Substances associated therewith or related thereto), subject to Permitted Encumbrances and to minor defects of title which, individually or in the aggregate, do not materially affect their respective rights of ownership of the Borrower and each of its Material Subsidiaries to such P&NG Rights, the value thereof or their right or ability to extract, produce, take and retain therefrom all Petroleum Substances associated therewith or related thereto.

(f) Operation of Properties.

To the Borrower's knowledge:

- (i) all of the oil, gas and other wells of the Borrower and each of its Material Subsidiaries have been drilled, completed, shut-in or abandoned (and they have abandoned such wells if they were required by Applicable Law to have been abandoned); and
- (ii) all property owned or operated by the Borrower and each of its Material Subsidiaries has been and will continue to be owned, operated and maintained, as the case may be, in a good and workmanlike manner in accordance with sound industry practice and in accordance with all Applicable Laws,

in each case, except to the extent that the failure to do so would not have and would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(g) Debt

Neither the Borrower nor any of its Subsidiaries has created, incurred, assumed, suffered to exist, or entered into any contract, instrument or undertaking pursuant to which the Borrower or any Subsidiary thereof is now or may hereafter become liable for, any Debt other than Permitted Debt.

(h) Encumbrances

Neither the Borrower nor any of the Subsidiaries has created, incurred, assumed, suffered to exist, or entered into any contract, instrument or undertaking pursuant to which, any person may have or be entitled to any Security Interest on or in respect of its property and assets or any part thereof except for Permitted Encumbrances.

(i) No Material Adverse Effect

No event, circumstance or condition has occurred and is continuing which has had, or would reasonably be expected to have, a Material Adverse Effect.

(j) No Omissions

The Borrower has made available to the Agent and the Lenders all material information necessary to make any representations, warranties and statements contained in this Agreement not misleading in any material respect in light of the circumstances in which they are given.

(k) No Default

No Default or Event of Default has occurred or is continuing or would exist as a result of, or occur following, any Drawdown hereunder.

(l) Financial Condition

(i) The audited and unaudited consolidated financial statements of the Borrower delivered to the Lenders and the Agent pursuant hereto present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial condition of the Borrower as at the date thereof and the results of the consolidated operations thereof for the fiscal year or fiscal quarter (as applicable) then ending, all in accordance with GAAP consistently applied.

(ii) Except as has been disclosed to the Agent from time to time by written notice in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, no filing is imminent of a report or of a material change as required to be filed by the Borrower or any Subsidiary with any securities commission or exchange or with any Governmental Authority having jurisdiction over the issuance and sale of securities of the Borrower or any Subsidiary and which material change would have or would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(m) Information Provided

All information, materials and documents, including all throughput and cash flow projections, economic models, engineering data, capital and operating budgets and other information and data:

(i) prepared and provided to the Agent by the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries in respect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, or as required by the terms of this Agreement, were, in the case of projections, prepared in good faith based upon reasonable assumptions at the date of preparation, and, in all other cases, true, complete and correct in all material respects as of the respective dates thereof; and

(ii) to the extent prepared by persons other than the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries and provided to the Agent by or on behalf of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries in respect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, or as required by the terms of this Agreement, were, to the best of the knowledge of the Borrower, after due inquiry: (A) in the case of projections, prepared in good faith based upon reasonable assumptions at the date of preparation; and (B) in all other cases, true, complete and correct in all material respects as of the respective dates thereof.

(n) Absence of Litigation

There are no actions, suits or proceedings pending or, to the knowledge of the Borrower, threatened against or affecting the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, their property or any of their undertakings and assets, at law, in equity or before any arbitrator or before or by any Governmental Authority having jurisdiction in the premises in respect of which there is a reasonable possibility of a determination adverse to the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries and which, if determined adversely, would have or would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(o) Judgments; Etc.

Except as previously disclosed in writing to the Agent, neither the Borrower nor any of its Subsidiaries is subject to any judgment, order, writ, injunction, decree or award, or to any restriction, rule or regulation (other than customary or ordinary course restrictions, rules and regulations consistent or similar with those imposed on other persons engaged in similar businesses) which has not been stayed, or of which enforcement has not been suspended, which have resulted in a liability, obligation or judgment in excess of the Threshold Amount or has had or would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(p) Compliance with Applicable Laws, Court Orders and Agreements

The Borrower and each of its Subsidiaries and their respective property, businesses and operations are in compliance with all Applicable Laws (including all applicable Environmental Laws), all Required Permits, all applicable directives, judgments, decrees, injunctions and orders rendered by any Governmental Authority (including, for certainty, directives, orders and liability assessments of each relevant Energy Regulator) or court of competent jurisdiction, its articles, by-laws and other constating documents, all Secured Royalty Agreements and all other agreements or instruments to which it is a party or by which its property or assets are bound, and any employee benefit plans, except, in any of the foregoing cases, to the extent that failure to so comply would not have and would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(q) Required Permits in Effect

All Required Permits are in full force and effect, except to the extent that the failure to have or maintain the same in full force and effect would not, when taken in the aggregate, have or reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(r) Remittances Up to Date

All of the material remittances required to be made by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries to Governmental Authorities have been made, are currently up to date and there are no outstanding arrears, other than those which are being contested by Permitted Contest.

(s) Environmental Condition of Property

Except as previously disclosed in writing to the Agent, the property or any part thereof owned, operated or controlled by the Borrower and each of its Subsidiaries:

- (i) (A) is not, to the knowledge of the Borrower, the subject of any outstanding claim, charge or order from an Governmental Authority alleging violation of Environmental Laws which has had or would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; or (B) if subject to any such claim, charge or order, the Borrower is taking or causing to be taken, all such remedial, corrective or other action required under the claim, charge or order or is diligently and in good faith contesting or causing such Subsidiary, as applicable, to contest the validity thereof; and

(ii) complies, with respect to each of its use and operation, in all respects with Environmental Laws and with the terms and conditions of all permits, licenses and other authorizations which are required to be obtained by each of them under applicable Environmental Laws, except to the extent that failure to so comply would not and would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(t) Pension

The Borrower and each of its Subsidiaries has in all respects complied with the contractual provisions and Applicable Laws relating to each Pension Plan to which it is a party or by which it is otherwise bound, except to the extent failure to comply would not and would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(u) Taxes

The Borrower and each of its Subsidiaries has duly filed on a timely basis all tax returns required to be filed and have paid all material Taxes which are due and payable, and have paid all material assessments and reassessments, and all other material Taxes, governmental charges, governmental royalties, penalties, interest and fines claimed against them, other than those which are being contested by them by Permitted Contest; they have made adequate provision for, and all required instalment payments have been made in respect of, Taxes payable for the current period for which returns are not yet required to be filed; there are no agreements, waivers or other arrangements providing for an extension of time with respect to the filing of any tax return by them or the payment of any Taxes; there are no actions or proceedings being taken by any taxation authority in any jurisdictions where the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries carries on business to enforce the payment of any Taxes by them other than those which are being contested by them by Permitted Contest; and there are no Security Interests for Taxes (other than Permitted Encumbrances) that have been filed.

(v) Hedging

Neither the Borrower nor any of its Subsidiaries is a party to any Financial Instruments other than Permitted Hedging.

(w) Fiscal Year

The fiscal year end of the Borrower and each of its Subsidiaries is December 31.

(x) Wholly-Owned Status of Material Subsidiaries (if any)

Each Material Subsidiary is a direct or indirect Wholly-Owned Subsidiary of the Borrower.

(y) Subsidiaries and Material Subsidiaries

As at the date hereof (after giving effect to the Transactions), the Borrower has no Subsidiaries other than as set out in Schedule I annexed hereto and Schedule I annexed hereto is a complete and accurate list of: (i) the jurisdictions of formation of the Borrower and each Subsidiary, (ii) each Subsidiary of the Borrower designated as a Subsidiary, (iii) each Subsidiary of the Borrower which is a Material Subsidiary, (iv) the location of the chief executive office of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, (v) the location of the Borrower's and its Subsidiaries' respective businesses and material real property and tangible personal property and assets, and (vi) the trade names, if any, used by the Borrower's and its Subsidiaries in the locations referred to in clause (v) above. As at the date hereof (after giving effect to the Transactions), the legal and beneficial owners of the issued and outstanding Voting Securities of each Material Subsidiary and the Borrower's other Subsidiaries are as set out in Schedule I annexed hereto.

(z) Insurance

The Borrower and each of its Material Subsidiaries maintains, in full force and effect, with financially sound and reputable insurers, insurance with respect to their respective properties and businesses and against such casualties and contingencies and in such types and amounts as are in accordance with prudent business practices for corporations or other entities of the size and type of business and operations as the Borrower and each such Material Subsidiary.

(aa) Sanctions; Anti-Corruption Laws; Anti-Money Laundering/ Anti-Terrorist Financing Laws

- (i) No part of the proceeds of any Drawdown nor drawings under any Letter of Credit will be used, directly or, to the knowledge of the Borrower or any Subsidiary after due inquiry, indirectly, to fund any operations in, finance any investments or activities in, or make any payments to, a Sanctioned Person in any manner that would result in any violation by any person (including any Lender and the Agent) of (A) any Sanctions or (B) applicable regulations, rules and executive orders administered by any Sanctions Authority.
- (ii) None of the Borrower nor any of its Subsidiaries (A) is, or will become a Sanctioned Person or (B) knowingly, after due inquiry, engages or will engage in any dealings or transactions, or is or will be otherwise knowingly, after due inquiry, associated, with any Sanctioned Person that would result in any violation of (x) any Sanctions or (y) applicable regulations, rules and executive orders administered by any Sanctions Authority.
- (iii) Each of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries is, and has conducted its business, in compliance in all respects with all Sanctions and all applicable regulations, rules and executive orders administered by any Sanctions Authority.
- (iv) To its knowledge, after due inquiry, each of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries is, and has conducted its business, in compliance in all material respects with all Anti-Money Laundering/ Anti-Terrorist Financing Laws.
- (v) The Borrower and its Subsidiaries, to the Borrower's knowledge after due inquiry, are not the subject of any investigation, inquiry or enforcement proceedings by any Governmental Authority regarding any offense or alleged offense under any Anti-Corruption Laws or Anti-Money Laundering/ Anti-Terrorist Financing Laws in which there is a reasonable possibility of an adverse decision and, to the Borrower's knowledge after due inquiry, no such investigation, inquiry or proceeding is pending or has been threatened.
- (vi) Each of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries is, and has conducted its business, in compliance in all material respects with all Anti-Corruption Laws. No part of the proceeds of any Drawdown or any drawings under any Letter of Credit has been used or will be used, directly or, to the knowledge of the Borrower or any Subsidiary after due inquiry, indirectly, for any payments to any governmental official or employee, political party, official of a political party, candidate for political office, or anyone else acting in a governmental capacity, in order to obtain, retain or direct business or obtain any improper advantage, in violation of any Anti-Corruption Laws.
- (vii) The Borrower and its Subsidiaries are subject to policies and procedures in place which ensure that each of the foregoing representations and warranties in this Section 9.1(aa) are true and correct at all times.

(bb) Interest Act (Canada)

- (i) This Agreement and the other Documents, including Article 5 hereof and the constituent definitions herein and under the other Documents relating to interest and other amounts

payable hereunder and thereunder, satisfies the requirements of section 4 of the *Interest Act* (Canada) to the extent that section 4 of the *Interest Act* (Canada) applies to the expression, statement or calculation of any rate of interest or other rate per annum hereunder or under any other Document.

- (ii) The Borrower and the Material Subsidiaries are each able to calculate the yearly rate or percentage of interest payable under any Document based on the methodology set out herein and under the other Documents, including Article 5 hereof and the constituent definitions herein and under the other Documents relating to interest and other amounts payable hereunder and thereunder.

9.2 Deemed Repetition

(1) On the date of delivery by the Borrower of a Drawdown Notice to the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be), and again on the date of any Drawdown made by the Borrower pursuant thereto:

- (a) each of the representations and warranties contained in Section 9.1 (other than those expressed to be provided as of a specific date) shall be deemed to be repeated; and
- (b) the Borrower shall be deemed to have represented to the Agent and the Lenders that, except as has otherwise been notified to the Agent in writing and has been waived in accordance herewith, no Default or an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing nor will occur as a result of the aforementioned Drawdown.

(2) On the date of delivery by the Borrower of a Conversion Notice or Rollover Notice to the Agent or the Operating Lender, as applicable, and again on the date of any Conversion or Rollover, the Borrower shall be deemed to have represented and warranted to the Agent and the Lenders that, except as has otherwise been notified to the Agent in writing and has been waived in accordance herewith, no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing nor will occur as a result of the aforementioned Conversion or Rollover, as the case may be.

9.3 Other Documents

All representations, warranties, certifications and statements of the Borrower or any Subsidiary thereof contained in any other Document delivered pursuant hereto or thereto shall be deemed to constitute representations and warranties made by the Borrower to the Agent and the Lenders under Section 9.1 of this Agreement.

9.4 Effective Time of Repetition

All representations and warranties, when repeated or deemed to be repeated hereunder or in any certificate, notice, instrument or other Document delivered in connection herewith, shall be construed with reference to the facts and circumstances existing at the time of repetition, unless they are stated herein to be made as at the date hereof or as at another date.

9.5 Nature of Representations and Warranties

The representations and warranties set out in this Agreement or deemed to be made pursuant hereto shall survive the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the making of each Drawdown, notwithstanding any investigations or examinations which may be made by the Agent, the Lenders or Lenders' Counsel. Such representations and warranties shall survive until this Agreement has been terminated, provided that the representations and warranties relating to environmental matters shall survive termination of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 10 – GENERAL COVENANTS

10.1 Affirmative Covenants of the Borrower

So long as any Obligation is outstanding or any Credit Facility is available hereunder, the Borrower covenants and agrees with each of the Lenders and the Agent that, unless (subject to Section 16.10) a Majority of the Lenders otherwise consent in writing:

(a) Punctual Payment and Performance

It shall duly and punctually pay the principal of all Loans, all interest thereon and all fees and other amounts required to be paid by the Borrower hereunder in the manner specified hereunder and the Borrower shall perform and observe all of its obligations under this Agreement and under any other Document to which it is a party.

(b) Books and Records

It shall keep and cause each Material Subsidiary to keep proper books of record and account in which complete and correct entries will be made of its transactions in accordance with GAAP.

(c) Maintenance and Operation

It shall do or cause to be done, and will cause each Material Subsidiary to do or cause to be done all things necessary or required to have all its properties, assets and operations owned, operated and maintained in accordance with sound, diligent and prudent industry practice (for certainty, with respect to its fixtures and tangible personal property, consistent with sound industry practice for the nature, age and operating characteristics of such fixtures and tangible personal property) and Applicable Laws, and in the case of its petroleum and natural gas reserves, in accordance with good oilfield practices except, in each case, to the extent that the failure to do or cause to be done the same would not have and would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, and at all times cause the same to be owned, operated, maintained and used in compliance with all terms of any applicable insurance policy.

(d) Maintain Existence; Compliance with Legislation Generally; Required Permits

Except as otherwise permitted by Section 10.2(c) or 10.2(l), the Borrower shall, and shall cause each of its Material Subsidiaries, to preserve and maintain its corporate, partnership or trust existence (as the case may be) as a corporation, partnership or trust existing under the laws of Canada or any province thereof. The Borrower shall do or cause to be done, and shall cause its Subsidiaries to do or cause to be done, all acts necessary or desirable to comply with all Applicable Laws and all agreements or instruments to which it is a party or by which its property or assets are bound, except to the extent that failure to so comply does not have and would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, and to maintain and keep in full force and effect all Required Permits and all other franchises, licences, rights, privileges, permits and Governmental Authorizations necessary to enable the Borrower and each of its Subsidiaries to operate and conduct their respective businesses in accordance with prudent industry practice, except to the extent that the failure to maintain and keep in full for and effect any of the same does not have and would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(e) Budgets, Financial Statements, Engineering Reports and Other Information

The Borrower shall deliver to the Agent with sufficient copies for each of the Lenders:

- (i) Annual Operating Budgets – as soon as available and, in any event, within 120 days after the end of its fiscal year ending December 31, 2023 and within 90 days after the end of

each of its fiscal years thereafter, a copy of its annual consolidated operating budget (including, for certainty, Expected Production of Oil and Natural Gas and expected Capital Expenditures) for, at a minimum, the next two (2) fiscal years (such operating budget setting out the particulars thereof on a monthly basis), approved by the board of directors of the Borrower, and the Agent and the Lenders shall be satisfied with the same, acting reasonably;

- (ii) Annual Financials - as soon as available and, in any event, within 120 days after the end of its fiscal year ending December 31, 2023 and within 90 days after the end of each of its fiscal years thereafter, copies of the Borrower's (A) audited annual financial statements on a consolidated basis, and (B) unaudited annual financial statements on a consolidated basis, in each case, consisting of a statement of financial position, statement of income, statement of cash flows and statement of changes in shareholders' equity for each such year, together with the notes thereto, all certified by its Financial Officer as presenting fairly in all material respects the financial condition and results of operations of the Borrower and its consolidated Subsidiaries prepared in accordance with GAAP consistently applied and, to the extent available, accompanied by a management discussion & analysis (or any similar document prepared for shareholders of the Borrower), together with a report and unqualified opinion of the Borrower's auditors thereon and including any management letters; provided that the Borrower shall be deemed to have satisfied its obligations under this Section 10.1(e)(ii) if and to the extent the foregoing shall have been filed with the Canadian Securities Administrators (and are accessible to the Agent) in the SEDAR filing system at www.sedar.com, and the Borrower shall have notified the Agent of such filing;
- (iii) Quarterly Financials - as soon as available and, in any event, within 60 days after the end of each of its fiscal quarters ending September 30, 2023 and March 31, 2024 and within 45 days after the end of each of its first, second and third fiscal quarters thereafter, copies of the Borrower's unaudited quarterly financial statements on a consolidated basis, in each case consisting of a statement of financial position, statement of income, statement of cash flows and statement of changes in shareholders' equity for each such period all in reasonable detail and stating in comparative form (to the extent applicable and in any event, without requiring restatements for discontinued operations) the figures for the corresponding date and period in the previous fiscal year, all certified by its Financial Officer as presenting fairly in all material respects the financial condition and results of operations of the Borrower and its consolidated Subsidiaries prepared in accordance with GAAP consistently applied and, to the extent available accompanied by a management discussion & analysis (or any similar document prepared for shareholders of the Borrower); provided that the Borrower shall be deemed to have satisfied its obligations under this Section 10.1(e)(iii) if and to the extent the foregoing shall have been filed with the Canadian Securities Administrators (and are accessible to the Agent) in the SEDAR filing system at www.sedar.com, and the Borrower shall have notified the Agent of such filing;
- (iv) Compliance Certificate – concurrently with furnishing the financial statements or providing notice to the Agent of the filing thereof with the Canadian Securities Administrators in the SEDAR filing system at www.sedar.com, in either case, pursuant to Sections 10.1(e)(ii) and 10.1(e)(iii), a Compliance Certificate stating that, *inter alia*, the representations and warranties in Section 9.1 are true and accurate in all respects (or, if applicable, specifying those that are not), that no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing (or, if applicable, specifying those defaults or events notified in accordance with Section 10.1(h) below), providing the Borrower's determination of the Consolidated Total Debt to EBITDA Ratio, providing the Borrower's determination of the then incurred Capital Expenditures in the fiscal year for which such Compliance Certificate is delivered and including the variance between aggregate Capital Expenditures incurred and the aggregate of the budgeted Capital Expenditures for such fiscal year provided for in the most recently delivered Operating Budget with respect to such fiscal year, and providing the Liability Management Rating of the Borrower and each of its Subsidiaries

(other than Excluded LMR Loan Parties), in each case, as at the end of the applicable fiscal year or fiscal quarter, as the case may be, together with particulars of each of the definitions and elements included in the determination of such ratios;

- (v) Financial Instruments – unless detailed in the financial statements furnished pursuant to Sections 10.1(e)(ii) and 10.1(e)(iii), concurrently with furnishing such financial statements, a report on the status of all outstanding Financial Instruments, including, *inter alia*, detailing the mark-to-market value of all outstanding Financial Instruments and demonstrating compliance with Section 10.2(h), such report to be in a form and containing such information as may be required by the Lenders, acting reasonably;
- (vi) Annual Independent Engineering Report – on or prior to April 30 of each year, an Engineering Report, effective as of the immediately preceding December 31, prepared by an Independent Engineer, together with the lease operating statements of the Borrower for the immediately preceding 12 months;
- (vii) Semi Annual Engineering Update – on or prior to October 31 of each year, a written update to the engineering and reserves information provided in the Engineering Report previously delivered pursuant to Section 10.1(e)(vi), effective as of the immediately preceding June 30, prepared by the internal engineering staff of the Borrower, together with the lease operating statements of the Borrower for the immediately preceding 12 months; such update to include such updated reserve information and other information and otherwise to be in form and substance as may be required by the Agent and the Lenders, each acting reasonably;
- (viii) Energy Regulator Notices - (A) promptly following receipt thereof by the Borrower or any Subsidiary, copies of any ARO Orders (and any amendments, supplements or other modifications thereto), including Material Orders, or other notices or communications related to any material directives, rules, regulations or other orders issued by any applicable Energy Regulator to the Borrower or any Subsidiary or otherwise affecting any of their assets and, in each case, relating to (I) any material non-compliance by the Borrower or any Subsidiary with any applicable Environmental Laws, including liability assessments, potential or designated problem site notices, requirement to post security deposits (including any Energy Regulator Demand for Deposits) and operator insolvency notices, and (II) the performance of abandonment, remediation and/or reclamation work on the Borrower's or any Subsidiaries' oil and gas properties, including relating to meeting mandatory and supplemental closure spend quotas under the Energy Regulator's Inventory Reduction Program, (B) promptly following delivery thereof by the Borrower or any Subsidiary, notice to the Agent if any security deposits are given by or issued on the Borrower or any Subsidiary's behalf to any applicable Energy Regulator in respect of any Energy Regulator Demand for Deposit, and (C) promptly following receipt by the Borrower or any Subsidiary of any ARO Orders pursuant to subparagraph (A) above, the Borrower shall provide the Agent with a reasonable estimate of all costs associated with such ARO Orders within fifteen (15) Banking Days of its receipt of the applicable order or demand, and shall deliver to the Agent all such other relevant information related to such estimate as may be reasonably required by any Lender;
- (ix) Abandonment and Reclamation Report - prior to April 30 and October 31 of each year, a semi-annual Abandonment and Reclamation Report for the relevant six-month period ending the preceding December 31 and June 30, respectively;
- (x) LCA Reporting - the Borrower will provide to the Agent: (A) within 45 days of the end of each of its fiscal quarters, details as to the LCA of the Borrower and each of its Subsidiaries; and (B) promptly upon receipt thereof, notice (and reasonable details) of any material directive, order or communication from the applicable Energy Regulator relating to any

assessment or reassessment of the LCA of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, together with a true and complete copy of such material directive, order or communication; and

- (xi) Other – at the request of the Agent, such other information, reports, engineering data, certificates, projections of income and cash flow or other matters affecting the business, affairs, financial condition, property or assets of the Borrower or the business, affairs, financial condition, property or assets of any of its Subsidiaries as the Agent may reasonably request.

(f) Rights of Inspection

At any reasonable time and from time to time upon reasonable prior notice, the Borrower shall permit and shall cause its Material Subsidiaries to permit, the Agent and any Lender or any representative thereof (at the expense of the Borrower during the continuance of a Default or Event of Default and, otherwise, at the expense of the Agent or such Lender, as applicable) to (i) examine and make copies of and abstracts from the records and books of account of the Borrower or any of its Material Subsidiaries, (ii) visit and inspect the premises and properties of the Borrower or any of its Material Subsidiaries (in each case at the risk of the Borrower, except for the gross negligence or wilful misconduct of the inspecting party or the failure of any such inspecting party to comply with Applicable Law or the Borrower's or any such Material Subsidiary's health and safety requirements, as advised to such inspecting party), and (iii) discuss the affairs, operations, finances and accounts of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries with any of the officers or directors of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries.

(g) Notice of Material Litigation

The Borrower shall promptly, and in any event no later than 5 Banking Days after becoming aware of the same, provide written notice to the Agent of any litigation, proceeding or dispute affecting the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries in respect of a demand or claim in respect of which there is a reasonable possibility of an adverse determination and which if adversely determined would reasonably be expected to result in a liability, obligation or judgment in excess of the Threshold Amount or to have a Material Adverse Effect, and shall from time to time furnish to the Agent all reasonable information requested by the Agent concerning the status of any such litigation, proceeding or dispute.

(h) Notice of Default or Event of Default

The Borrower shall promptly deliver to the Agent, and in any event no later than 3 Banking Days after becoming aware of a Default or the occurrence of an Event of Default, an Officer's Certificate describing in detail such Default or such Event of Default and specifying the steps, if any, being taken to cure or remedy the same.

(i) Notice of Material Adverse Effect

The Borrower shall promptly, and in any event no later than 3 Banking Days after becoming aware of the same, provide written notice to the Agent of any event, circumstance or condition that has had, or would reasonably be expected to have, a Material Adverse Effect.

(j) Notice of Shut-ins of Production

The Borrower shall promptly, and in any event within 5 Banking Days following any date on which the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, collectively, have shut-in and/or abandoned wells and/or otherwise has inactive wells which in each case were previously active (producing) wells at the end of the most recently completed Quarter End, together with all other previously shut-in and/or abandoned wells and/or otherwise has inactive wells which were previously active (producing) wells

at the end of the most recently completed Quarter End (excluding shut-ins undertaken in the normal course of completions, turnaround and maintenance activities and shut-ins of wells which were completed during the most recently completed fiscal quarter and which shut-ins are forecasted to continue for a period of at least six months due to capacity constraints at any processing facilities), where the aggregate average daily production (net of royalties) of Petroleum Substances associated with such wells exceeds [redacted - commercially sensitive information] of the Borrower's and its Material Subsidiaries' aggregate average daily production (net of royalties) of Petroleum Substances for the then most recently completed Quarter End, deliver to the Agent written notice of which wells have been shut-in and/or abandoned wells and/or otherwise has inactive wells which were previously active (producing) wells and the amount of associated production which has been shut-in and/or abandoned and/or which is no long active producing.

(k) Notice of Permitted Junior Debt

The Borrower shall promptly provide to the Agent:

- (i) not less than 10 Banking Days' prior written notice of its intention to incur Permitted Junior Debt, together with a copy of the proposed Junior Debt Financing Agreement;
- (ii) not less than 10 Banking Days' prior written notice of any proposed alteration, amendment, modification or supplement to, or restatement of, any Junior Debt Financing Agreement (or any waiver or consent to like effect), which notice shall include a copy of such proposed alteration, amendment, modification, supplement, restatement, waiver or consent;
- (iii) promptly after the receipt thereof, furnish to the Agent a true and complete copy of any consent or waiver provided to the Borrower or any Subsidiary pursuant to or in connection with any Junior Debt Financing Agreement; and
- (iv) as soon as reasonably practicable, and in any event no later than 3 Banking Days after becoming aware of any default, event of default or similar event or circumstance under any Junior Debt Financing Agreement or the Boulder VTB, an Officer's Certificate describing in detail such default, event of default or similar event or circumstance and specifying the steps, if any, being taken to cure or remedy the same.

(l) Notice of Casualty Event

The Borrower will, promptly upon becoming aware thereof, notify the Agent in writing of any Casualty Event, whether or not insured, where the fair market value of the assets affected is in excess of the Threshold Amount in aggregate in any fiscal year.

(m) Further Notices

The Borrower will promptly, and in any event within 3 Banking Days of becoming aware of the same, notify the Agent in writing of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries obtaining a corporate or long-term debt rating from any rating agency and any change in any such rating.

(n) Securities Disclosure

The Borrower shall, promptly, furnish to the Agent copies of all annual reports, quarterly reports, material change reports and other material reports, notices and other non-confidential information that the Borrower is required by applicable law or stock exchange requirements to file with any securities commission or stock exchange, furnish to its shareholders or publicly disclose (whether by way of advertisement or otherwise), except for insider reports and, and for certainty, other filings which are of an administrative nature and do not contain any material information with respect to the business, affairs or financial condition of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries. The Borrower shall

be deemed to have satisfied its obligations under this Section 10.1(n) if and to the extent any of the foregoing shall have been filed with the Canadian Securities Administrators (and are accessible to the Agent) in the SEDAR filing system at www.sedar.com, and the Borrower shall have notified the Agent of such filing.

(o) Payment of Royalties, Taxes, Withholdings, etc.

The Borrower shall, and shall cause its Subsidiaries to, from time to time pay or cause to be paid when due all royalties, rents, Taxes, rates, levies or assessments, ordinary or extraordinary, governmental fees or dues, and to make and remit all withholdings, lawfully levied, assessed or imposed upon the Borrower and its Subsidiaries or any of the assets of the Borrower or its Subsidiaries, as and when the same become due and payable, except when and so long as the validity of any such royalties, rents, Taxes, rates, levies, assessments, fees, dues or withholdings is being contested by the Borrower or its Subsidiaries by a Permitted Contest, and to duly file on a timely basis all tax returns required to be filed.

(p) Pensions

Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, the Borrower shall pay or cause to be paid all material obligations of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries (including fiduciary, funding, investment and administration obligations) required to be performed in connection with each Pension Plan, if any, in a timely fashion.

(q) Remittances

The Borrower will, and will cause each of its Subsidiaries to, make all of the material remittances required to be made by the Borrower and such Subsidiary to the applicable federal, provincial, municipal or state governments and keep such remittances up to date except to the extent such non-remittance is subject to a Permitted Contest.

(r) Wholly-Owned Status

Each Material Subsidiary will at all times be a direct or indirect Wholly-Owned Subsidiary of the Borrower.

(s) Payment of Preferred Claims

The Borrower shall, and shall cause its Material Subsidiaries to, from time to time pay when due or cause to be paid when due all amounts related to wages, workers' compensation obligations, government royalties or pension fund obligations and any other amount which would or would reasonably be expected to result in a lien, charge, Security Interest or similar encumbrance against the assets of the Borrower or such Material Subsidiary arising under statute or regulation, except when and so long as the validity of any such amounts or other obligations is being contested by the Borrower or its Material Subsidiaries by a Permitted Contest.

(t) Environmental Covenants

(i) Without limiting the generality of Section 10.1(d) above, the Borrower shall, and shall cause its Subsidiaries and any other party acting under their direction to, (A) conduct their business and operations so as to comply at all times with all Environmental Laws, (B) promptly take any and all actions necessary to cure any violation of Environmental Laws or respond to any demand or claim or remediate any environmental damage, and (C) use, employ, process, emit, generate, store, handle, transport, dispose of and/or arrange for the disposal of any and all Hazardous Materials in, on or, directly or indirectly, related to or in connection with their respective properties or assets or any portion thereof in a manner

consistent with prudent industry practice and in compliance in all material respects with all applicable Environmental Laws and in a manner which does not constitute a Release or pose a significant risk to human health, safety (including occupational health and safety) or the environment, except, in respect of each of the foregoing clauses (A), (B) and (C), where failure to do so, either alone or in conjunction with any other such non-compliance, would not have or would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(ii) If the Borrower or its Subsidiaries shall:

- (A) receive or give any notice that a violation of any Environmental Law has or may have been committed or is about to be committed by the same, and if such violation has or would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;
- (B) receive any notice that a complaint, proceeding or order has been filed or is about to be filed against the same alleging a violation of any Environmental Law, and if such violation would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;
or
- (C) receive any notice requiring the Borrower or a Subsidiary thereof, as the case may be, to take any action in connection with the release of Hazardous Materials into the environment or alleging that the Borrower or the Subsidiary may be liable or responsible for costs associated with a response to or to clean up a Release of Hazardous Materials into the environment or any damages caused thereby, and if such action or liability has or would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect,

the Borrower shall promptly provide the Agent with a copy of such notice and shall furnish or cause to be furnished to the Agent from time to time all reasonable information requested by the Agent relating to the same.

(u) Use of Loans

The Borrower shall use all Loans and the proceeds thereof solely for the purposes set forth in Section 2.3 hereof.

(v) Required Insurance

The Borrower shall, and shall cause its Material Subsidiaries to, maintain, in full force and effect with financially sound and reputable insurers, insurance with respect to their respective properties and business and against such casualties and contingencies and in such types and such amounts as shall be in accordance with prudent business practices for corporations or other entities of the size and type of business and operations as the Borrower and its Material Subsidiaries.

(w) Compliance With P&NG Leases

The Borrower shall, and shall cause its Material Subsidiaries to, comply in all respects with the P&NG Leases relating to P&NG Rights, except to the extent the failure to do so would not have or would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(x) Ownership of Borrowing Base Properties

The Borrower shall ensure that all of the Borrowing Base Properties are directly owned by the Borrower or Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries which are Material Subsidiaries or any combination thereof.

(y) Anti-Money Laundering/Anti-Terrorist Financing Laws; Sanctions; Anti-Corruption Laws Representations Continue to be True

The Borrower shall, and shall cause its Subsidiaries to, conduct its business operations such that, and have and be subject to, policies and procedures in place which are designed to ensure that, the representations and warranties in Section 9.1(aa) are true and correct at all times that this Agreement is in effect (and not just at, and as of, the times such representations and warranties are made or deemed to be made).

(z) Excess Cash Balances

If at the close of business on any day the Borrower and its Subsidiaries have any Excess Cash, then, within three (3) Banking Days, the Borrower shall repay or cause to be repaid Loans under the Credit Facilities in an amount equal to the lesser of (i) the amount of such Excess Cash on the date of such repayment; and (ii) the Outstanding Principal under the Credit Facilities (excluding therefrom, (A) any Bankers' Acceptances, BA Equivalent Advances or SOFR Loans which are not prepayable without payment of breakage costs or cash collateralization until their respective maturity dates or expiry of Interest Periods, as the case may be, and (B) for the avoidance of doubt, Letters of Credit, other than Letters of Credit that have been drawn and not reimbursed in accordance with Section 7.6) outstanding on the date of such repayment; for certainty, if, on any Conversion Date or Rollover Date of Bankers' Acceptances, BA Equivalent Advances or SOFR Loans, there is any Excess Cash, the Borrower shall be required to make the aforementioned repayment without regard to the parenthetical exclusion.

(aa) Secured Royalty Agreements

- (i) The Borrower shall, and shall cause each Subsidiary that is a party to a Secured Royalty Agreement to, comply with all covenants and terms of the Secured Royalty Agreements.
- (ii) Concurrently with the Borrower or any Subsidiary entering into any Secured Royalty Agreement: (a) the Borrower shall deliver or cause to be delivered to the Agent, a true and complete copy of such Secured Royalty Agreement, together with an Officer's Certificate certifying the same to the Agent and the Lenders; and (b) the applicable Royalty Owner shall have executed and delivered to the Agent a Royalty Subordination Agreement in respect of such Secured Royalty Agreement in form and substance satisfactory to the Agent and Lenders' Counsel.
- (iii) The Borrower shall provide to, or cause to be provided to, the Agent written notice of any payment default or other default under any Secured Royalty Agreement in respect of which a Royalty Owner has provided notice thereof to the Borrower or any Subsidiary pursuant to a Secured Royalty Agreement, in each case, upon receipt by the Borrower or a Subsidiary thereof.
- (iv) The Borrower shall promptly provide to, or cause to be provided to, the Agent a true and complete copy of any material amendment, modification or restatement of, or any material waiver or consent under, any Secured Royalty Agreement.

(bb) Keepwell

The Borrower shall, and shall ensure that, to the extent any Subsidiary is a Qualified ECP Guarantor, the Borrower and each Subsidiary shall, absolutely, unconditionally and irrevocably undertake to provide such funds or other support as may be needed from time to time by the Borrower or any Subsidiary (that provides a guarantee to the Agent, the Lenders, the Hedging Affiliates and the Cash Managers) to honour all of its obligations under its Guarantee in respect of Financial Instrument Obligations (provided, however, the Borrower and each Subsidiary shall only be liable under such

undertaking for the maximum amount of such liability that can be incurred without rendering its obligations under this undertaking, or otherwise under the Documents to which it is a party, voidable under Applicable Law relating to fraudulent conveyance or fraudulent transfer, and not for any greater amount). The obligations of the Borrower and each Subsidiary under this undertaking shall remain in full force and effect until discharged in accordance with the provisions of the relevant Document. The Borrower intends that this Section and the undertaking provided for shall constitute, and shall be deemed to constitute, a "keepwell, support, or other agreement" for the benefit of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries (that provide a guarantee to the Agent, the Lenders, the Hedging Affiliates and the Cash Managers) for all purposes of Section 1a(18)(A)(v)(II) of the Commodity Exchange Act.

(cc) Minimum Hedging

The Borrower shall have entered into, or shall have caused its Subsidiaries to (collectively, the "**Minimum Hedging**"):

- (i) within 5 days of the date hereof, enter into Commodity Agreements constituting Lender Financial Instruments with an aggregate notional quantity of at least [*redacted - commercially sensitive information*] of the next 18 months' Expected Production, on a BOE/day basis, at or in excess of [*redacted - commercially sensitive information*] (or the Canadian Dollar equivalent), and the Borrower shall (A) cause such Commodity Agreements to be maintained in full force and effect until February 3, 2025 and (B) ensure that, on a BOE/day and rolling monthly basis (beginning September, 2023), it continues to satisfy this Section 10.1(cc) until February 3, 2025 and, if applicable, it shall enter into such additional Commodity Agreement constituting Lender Financial Instruments within 5 Banking Days of each calendar month) as may be required to satisfy this Section 10.1(cc); and
- (ii) from and after February 3, 2025, maintain Commodity Agreements constituting Lender Financial Instruments representing an aggregate notional quantity of at least [*redacted - commercially sensitive information*] of the next 6 months' Expected Production, on a BOE/day and rolling monthly basis (within 5 Banking Days after each calendar month), at or in excess of [*redacted - commercially sensitive information*] (or the Canadian Dollar equivalent), and the Borrower shall cause such Commodity Agreements to be maintained in full force and effect at all times,

provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing:

- (I) the Borrower and its Subsidiaries shall not be required to enter into any such Lender Financial Instruments at the relevant time if none of the Lenders (or their Affiliates) are willing to enter into such Lender Financial Instruments;
- (II) any Commodity Agreement which provides for either (A) in the case of clause (i) above, a strike price of less than [*redacted - commercially sensitive information*] (or the Canadian Dollar equivalent) or (y) in the case of clause (ii) above, a strike price of less than [*redacted - commercially sensitive information*] (or the Canadian Dollar equivalent), shall not be included in the determination of the Minimum Hedging required pursuant to this Section 10.1(cc) (for certainty: (x) all such Commodity Agreements shall be excluded from the determination as to whether the Borrower and its Subsidiaries have entered into Commodity Agreements which constitute Minimum Hedging; and (y) the Borrower and its Subsidiaries shall nevertheless continue to be subject to the Minimum Hedging notwithstanding there may be Commodity Agreements that are excluded from the determination of the Minimum Hedging);

- (III) if Expected Production: (x) set forth in any Operating Budget or any updates thereto or of Expected Production, is greater than the previously delivered Operating Budget, or update thereto or of Expected Production, such that the Borrower is not in compliance with this Section 10.1(cc), then the Borrower shall have 30 days from the date of the delivery of such Engineering Report or update thereto, as the case may be, to enter into Commodity Agreements in order to achieve compliance with this Section 10.1(cc); or (y) would be increased in any Operating Budget or update thereto or update to Expected Production as a result of the acquisition by the Borrower or any Subsidiary of additional P&NG Rights (whether or not such Operating Budget or update thereto or update to Expected Production is actually made), such that the Borrower is not in compliance with this Section 10.1(cc), then the Borrower shall have 30 days from the date of such acquisition to enter into Commodity Agreements in order to achieve compliance with this Section 10.1(cc); and
- (IV) the Borrower shall cause all such Commodity Agreements entered into to satisfy the requirements of this Section 10.1(cc) to be maintained in full force and effect.

(dd) Maintenance of Fiscal Year

The Borrower shall, and shall cause its Material Subsidiaries to, maintain a fiscal year ending on December 31.

(ee) Notices in respect of Minimum Hedging

The Borrower shall promptly, and in any event within 3 Banking Days following the end of each calendar month, notify the Agent in writing if:

- (i) the Borrower was not able to maintain the Minimum Hedging then required pursuant to Section 10.1(cc); and
- (ii) if a notice pursuant to Section 10.1(ee)(i) is delivered, whether the Borrower not being able to maintain the Minimum Hedging required pursuant to Section 10.1(cc) was by reason of the Lenders (or their Affiliates) not being willing to enter into such Lender Financial Instruments.

10.2 Negative Covenants of the Borrower

So long as any Obligation is outstanding or any Credit Facility is available hereunder, the Borrower covenants and agrees with each of the Lenders and the Agent that, unless (subject to Section 16.10) a Majority of the Lenders otherwise consent in writing:

(a) Change of Business

The Borrower shall not, and shall not permit any Material Subsidiary to, carry on any material business or operations other than the material types of businesses and operations carried on by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries on the date hereof.

(b) Negative Pledge

The Borrower shall not, nor shall it permit any Subsidiary to, create, issue, incur, assume or permit to exist any Security Interests on any of their property, undertakings or assets other than Permitted Encumbrances.

(c) No Dissolution

Subject to Section 10.2(1), the Borrower shall not, nor shall it permit any Material Subsidiary to, liquidate, dissolve or wind up or take any steps or proceedings in connection therewith except, in the case of Material Subsidiaries, where the successor thereto or transferee thereof is the Borrower or a Guarantor of the Borrower.

(d) Limit on Sale of Assets; Limit on Sale-Leasebacks

Except for Permitted Dispositions, the Borrower shall not, and shall not permit any Subsidiary to, Dispose of (including pursuant to a dissolution) any of their respective property or assets:

- (i) during the continuance of a Default or Event of Default;
- (ii) whether in one or a series of transactions, if the fair market value thereof, taken in the aggregate with all other Dispositions of property and assets of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries since the last determination of the Borrowing Base, is in excess of the Threshold Amount as of the date of such Disposition; or
- (iii) if the *pro forma* Liability Management Rating of the Borrower and each of its Subsidiaries (that is not an Excluded LMR Loan Party) in each Relevant Jurisdiction, after giving effect to such Dispositions, in each case, will be less than [redacted – commercially sensitive information].

Neither the Borrower nor any Subsidiary shall enter into any Sale-Leasebacks.

(e) Limitation on Debt

The Borrower shall not have, incur, assume or otherwise become liable for, or permit any Subsidiary to have, incur, assume or otherwise become liable for, any Debt other than Permitted Debt.

(f) Limit on Investment

The Borrower shall not, nor shall it permit its Subsidiaries to make any Investment other than Permitted Investments.

(g) Limits on Distributions

The Borrower shall not make or permit any Subsidiary to make any Distributions other than Permitted Distributions.

(h) Limit on Prepayments and Other Payments of Permitted Junior Debt and Amendments to Terms of Permitted Junior Debt

The Borrower shall not, and shall not permit any Subsidiary to:

- (i) redeem, prepay, retire, defease, purchase or otherwise acquire (for cancellation or otherwise) any Permitted Junior Debt, except solely with the proceeds of Permitted Junior Debt or with subscription proceeds from the issuance of common shares of the Borrower, and provided that as at the date of such redemption, prepayment, retirement, defeasance, purchase or other acquisition and immediately after giving effect thereto no Default, Event of Default or Borrowing Base Shortfall shall exist; or
- (ii) alter, amend, supplement or modify any Junior Debt Financing Agreement (or provide any waiver or consent to like effect), except to the extent that such alteration, amendment,

supplement, modification (or the provision of any consent or waiver) would not, and would not reasonably be expected to, be material and adverse to the interests or rights of the Lenders (and, in the case of a Junior Debt Financing Agreement, it shall be deemed to be material and adverse to the interests of the Lenders if the effect of any such alteration, amendment, supplement, modification (or the provision of any consent or waiver) would be to cause any of the criteria set forth in subparagraphs (a) through (i), inclusive, of the definition of Permitted Junior Debt to no longer be satisfied).

(i) *[Redacted – commercially sensitive information]*

(j) No Financial Instruments Other Than Permitted Hedging

The Borrower shall not and shall not permit any Subsidiary to enter into, transact or have outstanding any Financial Instruments or Financial Instrument Obligations other than Permitted Hedging.

(k) Non Arm's Length Transactions

Except in respect of the Transactions and transactions between or among the Borrower and/or one or more of its Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries and Permitted Financial Assistance, the Borrower shall not, nor shall it permit any Subsidiary to, enter into any contract, agreement or transaction whatsoever, including for the Disposition, purchase, lease or other dealing in any property or the provision of any services (other than office and administration services provided in the ordinary course of business), with any Related Party except upon fair and reasonable terms, which terms are not less favourable to the Borrower or its Subsidiaries than it would obtain in an arm's length transaction and, if applicable, for consideration which equals the fair market value of such property or other than at a fair market rental as regards leased property.

(l) No Merger, Amalgamation, etc.

The Borrower shall not, nor shall it permit any Material Subsidiary to, enter into any transaction whereby all or substantially all of its undertaking, property and assets would become the property of any other person (herein called a "**Successor**") whether by way of reconstruction, reorganization, recapitalization, consolidation, amalgamation, merger, transfer, sale, other Disposition or otherwise (each, a "**Fundamental Transaction**"), unless:

- (i) such Fundamental Transaction takes place solely among the Borrower and any of its Material Subsidiaries or among any of the Material Subsidiaries;
- (ii) the Successor is a corporation and incorporated under the federal laws of Canada or the laws of any province of Canada or the Successor is a partnership duly established under the laws of any province of Canada;
- (iii) in the case of a Fundamental Transaction which includes a Material Subsidiary but does not include the Borrower, the Successor shall continue to be a Material Subsidiary;
- (iv) prior to or contemporaneously with the consummation of such Fundamental Transaction the Successor and, as applicable, each of the Borrower and its Material Subsidiaries shall have executed and delivered or caused to be executed and delivered to the Agent such instruments and done such things as, in the reasonable opinion of Lenders' Counsel, are necessary or advisable to establish that upon the consummation of such Fundamental Transaction:
 - (A) the Successor will have assumed all the covenants and obligations of the Borrower or a Material Subsidiary, as applicable, under Documents to which the Borrower or such Material Subsidiary, as applicable, is a party; and

(B) this Agreement and the other Documents, as the case may be, will be valid and binding obligations of the Successor and each of the Borrower and its Material Subsidiaries which is a party thereto, entitling the Lenders and the Agent to exercise all their rights under this Agreement and the other Documents against each of them;

(v) such Fundamental Transaction shall be on such terms and shall be carried out in such manner as to preserve and not to impair any of the rights and powers of the Lenders and the Agent hereunder or pursuant to the other Documents;

(vi) such Fundamental Transaction shall not result in the assets of the Successor being subject to any Security Interests other than Permitted Encumbrances; and

(vii) no Event of Default, Default or Borrowing Base Shortfall shall have occurred and be continuing, or will occur as a result of such Fundamental Transaction, or shall exist immediately after the consummation of such Fundamental Transaction.

(m) Borrowing Base

The Borrower shall not permit, at any time, the aggregate Outstanding Principal under the Credit Facilities to exceed the Borrowing Base then applicable hereunder and the Borrower shall repay Loans from time to time in accordance with Sections 2.14 and 2.16 to the extent required to comply with this Section.

(n) Limit on Financial Assistance

The Borrower shall not, and shall not permit any Subsidiary to, provide any Financial Assistance to or in favour of any person except:

(i) Permitted Financial Assistance;

(ii) in favour of the Agent, the Lenders and their respective Hedging Affiliates and Cash Managers for or in respect of the Secured Obligations;

(iii) for the benefit of the Borrower or a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary which is a Subsidiary in connection with Permitted Debt; and

(iv) in favour of the Borrower or a Material Subsidiary.

(o) No Accounts other than with the Agent or the Operating Lender

Except for any accounts maintained with any financial institution or other person to hold Excluded Deposits/Amounts, the Borrower shall not, nor shall it permit any Subsidiary to: (i) establish or maintain any operating accounts, deposit accounts or other bank accounts or any securities or other investment accounts with, or (ii) have any cash or Cash Equivalents on deposit with, in each case, any financial institution or other person except (x) if the only Loans outstanding are by way of Letters of Credit and/or Overdraft Loans, the Agent or any Operating Lender or (y) if there are any Canadian Prime Rate Loans, U.S. Base Rate Loans, SOFR Loans, Bankers' Acceptances or BA Equivalent Advances outstanding, the Agent or the Operating Lender (provided the Agent and Operating Lender offers such accounts and other products and services on commercially competitive terms, failing which, such accounts shall be maintained with another Lender acceptable to the Agent, acting reasonably). Notwithstanding the above, the Borrower shall, within 45 days of the date hereof, close all accounts maintained with any financial institution (which is not the Agent or a Lender) or other person (other than such persons which hold Excluded Deposits/Amounts) held by it or any Material Subsidiary.

(p) Minimum Liability Management Rating

The Borrower shall not permit the Liability Management Rating of itself and each of its Subsidiaries (excluding, for certainty, an Excluded LMR Loan Party) in any Relevant Jurisdiction to be less than [redacted – commercially sensitive information] at any time (including on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to any acquisitions or Dispositions by the Borrower or such Subsidiary) for so long (and only for so long) as the Liability Management Rating is utilized by the Energy Regulator in such Relevant Jurisdiction.

(q) Limit on Hedge Monetizations

The Borrower shall not, and shall not permit any Subsidiary to, undertake, cause to occur or otherwise give effect to any Hedge Monetization without the prior written consent of the Majority of the Lenders, each acting in their sole discretion.

(r) Acquisition of P&NG Rights

The Borrower will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, without the prior written consent of the Majority of the Lenders, purchase, acquire, lease, have assigned to any of them, assume the obligations in respect of, or be granted or have created in favour of any of them any *in rem* right or interest in, to or against, any P&NG Rights, by whatever means effected, other than those existing as of the date hereof or that will (or may) be acquired in connection the Transactions and other than the purchase, acquisition, leasing, assignment, assumption, granting, creation of P&NG Rights which have, in the aggregate, ARO Liabilities associated therewith of less than the Threshold Amount.

(s) Maximum Utilization

The Borrower will not, and will not permit any of its Subsidiaries to cause, the Outstanding Principal of all Loans outstanding under the Credit Facilities to exceed [redacted] of the then Total Commitments of all of the Lenders.

(t) Capital Expenditure Variance

The Borrower shall not, and shall not permit any Subsidiary to, have aggregate Capital Expenditures in any fiscal year which exceeds the budgeted aggregate Capital Expenditures set forth in the Operating Budget delivered to the Agent and the Lenders for such fiscal year by more than [redacted].

(u) Secured Royalty Agreements

The Borrower shall not, and shall not permit any Subsidiary to terminate, amend, supplement or modify (as applicable) any Secured Royalty Agreement or provision thereof if such termination, amendment, supplement or modification, as the case may be, would have or would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect or, when taken as a whole with all other amendments, supplements, modifications, waivers or consents being made thereto, be material and adverse to the interests or rights of any of the Secured Parties, or provide any waiver or consent to like effect or take any steps in furtherance of any of the foregoing.

10.3 Agent May Perform Covenants

If the Borrower fails to perform any covenants on its part herein contained, subject to any consents or notice or cure periods required by Section 12.1 and the terms of any Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement, the Agent may give notice to the Borrower of such failure and if such covenant remains unperformed, the Agent may, in its discretion but need not, perform any such covenant capable of being performed by the Agent and if the covenant requires the

payment or expenditure of money, the Agent may, upon having received approval of all Lenders, make such payments or expenditure and all sums so expended shall be forthwith payable by the Borrower to the Agent on behalf of the Lenders and shall bear interest at the applicable interest rate provided in Section 5.8 for amounts due in Canadian Dollars or United States Dollars, as the case may be. No such performance, payment or expenditure by the Agent shall be deemed to relieve the Borrower of any default hereunder or under the other Documents.

ARTICLE 11 – SECURITY

11.1 Security on all Assets

(1) The Secured Obligations shall be secured, equally and rateably, by first priority Security Interests on, to and against all present and future property, assets and undertaking of the Borrower and each of its Material Subsidiaries (collectively, the "**Collateral**").

(2) The Borrower shall execute and deliver Security and shall cause each of the Material Subsidiaries to execute and deliver Security (including the guarantees substantially in the forms of Schedule H-1 and H-5 annexed hereto), in each case with such amendments, modifications and insertions as may be required by the Agent, acting reasonably.

(3) The Borrower (i) shall, as soon as reasonably practicable, give written notice to the Agent of the acquisition, creation or existence of each Material Subsidiary created or acquired after the date hereof, together with such other information as the Agent may reasonably require and request, and (ii) shall promptly, and in any event within 10 Banking Days of such acquisition, creation or existence (or such longer period of time as may be agreed to by the Agent, in its sole discretion), cause each new Material Subsidiary to promptly execute and deliver to the Agent the Security contemplated hereby (together with a certified copy of its constating documents and a legal opinion in form and substance satisfactory to the Agent, acting reasonably).

(4) The Borrower shall ensure that at all times, (a) at least [redacted] of Consolidated Assets shall be legally, beneficially and directly owned by the Borrower and its Material Subsidiaries which have provided Security hereunder and (b) at least [redacted] of EBITDA shall be attributable to the Borrower and its Material Subsidiaries which have provided Security hereunder; and if at any time less than [redacted] of Consolidated Assets or [redacted] of EBITDA shall be legally, beneficially and directly owned by or attributable to, as the case may be, the Borrower and its Material Subsidiaries which have provided Security hereunder, the Borrower shall promptly, and in any event within 10 Banking Days after any such occurrence, designate another Subsidiary which is not then a Material Subsidiary to be a Designated Material Subsidiary pursuant hereto to the extent required to ensure that after such designation, [redacted] or more of Consolidated Assets or [redacted] of EBITDA, as applicable, shall be legally, beneficially and directly owned by or attributable to, as the case may be, the Borrower and its Material Subsidiaries which have provided Security hereunder; and, at all times, all registrations, filings and/or recordings of the Security shall have been made in all offices where such registration, filing or recording is necessary or of advantage to the creation, perfection and preserving of the Security and the Security Interests created thereby, excluding, subject to Section 11.2(2), registration at land titles or any land registry offices.

The Borrower shall from time to time, by notice in writing to the Agent (together with reasonable particulars which demonstrate compliance with the foregoing covenant), be entitled to designate that either:

- (a) a Subsidiary which is not a Material Subsidiary shall become a Designated Material Subsidiary; or
- (b) a Designated Material Subsidiary shall cease to be a Material Subsidiary,

provided that the Borrower shall not be entitled to designate that a Designated Material Subsidiary shall cease to be a Material Subsidiary if:

- (a) a Default or an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing;
- (b) a Default or an Event of Default would result from or exist immediately after such a designation; or

- (c) such Designated Material Subsidiary falls within part (a), (b), (c), (d) or (e) of the definition of "Material Subsidiary".

In order to give effect to the foregoing provisions of Section 11.1(2) and this Section 11.1(4), the Borrower shall cause any Material Subsidiary that becomes a Designated Material Subsidiary to promptly execute and deliver Security to the Agent (together with a certified copy of its constating documents and a legal opinion in form and substance satisfactory to the Agent, acting reasonably).

(5) In addition to the Security described in subsections (1) and (2) of this Section 11.1, the Borrower shall execute and deliver, or shall cause to be executed and delivered, all such guarantees and mortgages, debentures, pledge agreements, assignments and other security agreements as may be required by the Majority of the Lenders, acting reasonably (each in form and substance satisfactory to the Majority of the Lenders) in order to, or to more effectively, charge in favour of the Agent or grant Security Interests in favour of the Agent on and against all of the undertaking, assets and property (real or personal, tangible or intangible, present or future and of whatsoever nature and kind) of the Borrower and the Guarantors, as continuing collateral security for, *inter alia*, the payment and performance by the Borrower and the Material Subsidiaries of all Secured Obligations.

11.2 Registration and Fixed Charge Security

(1) The Borrower shall, at its expense, register, file or record the Security in all offices where such registration, filing or recording is necessary or of advantage to the creation, perfection and preserving of the security applicable to it; provided that the Borrower shall not be obligated to register the Security at any land titles or land registry offices (including the Alberta Land Title Office) or under the *Mines and Minerals Act* (Alberta) or similar legislation in other jurisdictions except in accordance with Section 11.2(2). The Borrower shall amend and renew such registrations, filings and recordings from time to time as and when required to keep them in full force and effect or to preserve the priority established by any prior registration, filing or recording thereof.

- (2) The Borrower shall, and shall cause its Material Subsidiaries to, promptly:
 - (a) register the Security in all applicable land titles and land registry offices (including the filing of security notices under the *Mines and Minerals Act* (Alberta) and similar notices, filings or registrations in other jurisdictions); and/or
 - (b) grant to the Agent fixed charges (in form and substance satisfactory to the Agent, acting reasonably) against any or all of its P&NG Rights, P&NG Leases and other interests in land (including fixtures),

in each case, as required by the Agent (and together with all registration materials, legal opinions and Officer's Certificates as the Agent may require, acting reasonably), upon the occurrence of any one or more of the following:

- (i) a Default that is continuing;
- (ii) an Event of Default;
- (iii) the occurrence of an event, circumstance or condition which has had, or would reasonably be expected to have, a Material Adverse Effect, as determined by the Majority of the Lenders, each acting reasonably; or
- (iv) the Majority of the Lenders, acting in good faith, determining that any of the foregoing is necessary or desirable to preserve or protect the position of the Lenders or the priority of the Security.

11.3 Forms

The forms of Security shall have been or be prepared based upon the laws of Canada and Alberta applicable thereto in effect at the date hereof. The Agent shall have the right to require that:

- (a) any such Security be amended to reflect any changes in such laws, whether arising as a result of statutory amendments, court decisions or otherwise, in order to confer upon the Agent the Security Interests intended to be created thereby; and
- (b) the Borrower and its Material Subsidiaries execute and deliver to the Agent such other and further debentures, mortgages, trust deeds, assignments and security agreements as may be reasonably required to ensure the Agent holds, subject to Permitted Encumbrances, first priority Security Interests on and against all of the property and assets of the Borrower and its Material Subsidiaries,

except that in no event shall the Agent require that the foregoing be effected if the result thereof would be to grant the Agent or the Lenders greater rights than is otherwise contemplated herein or therein.

11.4 Continuing Security

Each item or part of the Security shall for all purposes be treated as a separate and continuing collateral security and shall be deemed to have been given in addition to and not in place of any other item or part of the Security or any other security now held or hereafter acquired by the Agent or the Lenders. No item or part of the Security shall be merged or be deemed to have been merged in or by this Agreement or any documents, instruments or acknowledgements delivered hereunder, or any simple contract debt or any judgment, and any realization of or steps taken under or pursuant to any security, instrument or agreement shall be independent of and not create a merger with any other right available to the Lenders or the Agent under any security, instruments or agreements held by it or at law or in equity.

11.5 Dealing with Security

The Agent, with the consent of all of the Lenders, except to the extent otherwise provided for herein or in the Security, may grant extensions of time or other indulgences, take and give up securities (including the Security or any part or parts thereof), accept compositions, grant releases and discharges and otherwise deal with the Borrower and other parties and with security (including the Security and each part thereof) as the Agent may see fit, without prejudice to or in any way limiting the liability of the Borrower under this Agreement or the other Documents or under any of the Security or any other collateral security.

11.6 Effectiveness

The Security and the security created by any other Document constituted or required to be created shall be effective, and the undertakings as to the Security herein or in any other Document shall be continuing, whether any Loans are then outstanding or any amounts thereby secured or any part thereof shall be owing before or after, or at the same time as, the creation of such Security Interests or before or after or upon the date of execution of any amendments to this Agreement.

11.7 Release and Discharge of Security

(1) The Borrower and its Material Subsidiaries shall not be discharged from the Security or any part thereof, other than to the extent that such Security applies to a Permitted Disposition (in which case the Security shall, without further action, cease to apply to the subject matter thereof for the benefit of the Agent and the Lenders), except by a written release and discharge signed by the Agent. If all of the Secured Obligations have been repaid, paid, satisfied and discharged, as the case may be, in full and the Credit Facilities have been fully cancelled, then the Agent shall cause it and the Lenders' interest in the Security to be released and discharged at the expense of the Borrower.

- (2) The Lenders hereby authorize the Agent, upon the written request of the Borrower, to:

- (a) take such steps as may be required to release Security Interests created by the Security from any property or assets in relation to a Disposition permitted pursuant to Section 10.2(d);
- (b) take such steps as may be required to release and discharge (or evidence such release and discharge) the Security provided by a Subsidiary that ceases to be a Material Subsidiary in a transaction not prohibited by this Agreement and the other Documents; and
- (c) execute and deliver such releases, discharges, no-interest letters, agreements or other instruments as may be necessary or reasonably requested by the Borrower to effect the foregoing or to evidence the foregoing or to evidence the release of any property or assets which are the subject of an Permitted Disposition.

11.8 Transfer of Security

If Royal Bank of Canada, in its capacity as Agent, or any successor thereto, in its capacity as Agent ceases to be the Agent (the "**Departing Agent**"), the Departing Agent shall transfer and assign all of its right, title and interest in its capacity as Agent in and to the Security to the Successor Agent and the provisions of Section 11.2 shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, with respect to such assignment and transfer.

11.9 Hedging Affiliates and Cash Managers

Each Lender hereby confirms to and agrees with the Agent and the other Lenders as follows:

- (a) such Lender is, for the purpose of securing the Lender Financial Instrument Obligations owing to or in favour of its Hedging Affiliates and the Cash Management Obligations owing in favour of its Cash Managers pursuant to the Security, executing and delivering this Agreement both on its own behalf and as agent for and on behalf of such Hedging Affiliates and Cash Managers;
- (b) the Agent shall be and is hereby authorized by each such Hedging Affiliate and Cash Manager to act in accordance with the provisions of the Documents (including on the instructions or at the direction of all of the Lenders or the Majority of the Lenders (which, for certainty, shall not include the Hedging Affiliates or the Cash Managers)) in all respects with respect to the Security; and
- (c) the Lender Financial Instruments of any such Hedging Affiliate or the Lender Financial Instrument Obligations owing to or in favour of any such Hedging Affiliate, the Cash Management Documents or the Cash Management Obligations owing in favour of the Cash Managers shall not be included or taken into account for the purposes of Section 16.10 or (for certainty) in any determination of the Majority of the Lenders or all of the Lenders which shall be determined solely based upon the Commitments of the Lenders hereunder or the Outstanding Principal owing to the Lenders.

11.10 Security for Hedging with Former Lenders

If a Lender ceases to be a Lender under this Agreement (a "**Former Lender**"), all Lender Financial Instrument Obligations owing to such Former Lender and its Hedging Affiliates under Lender Financial Instruments entered into while such Former Lender was a Lender shall remain secured by the Security (equally and rateably) to the extent that such Lender Financial Instrument Obligations were secured by the Security prior to such Lender becoming a Former Lender and, subject to the following provisions of this Section 11.10 and unless the context otherwise requires, all references herein or in any other Document to "Lender Financial Instrument Obligations" shall include such obligations to a Former Lender and its Hedging Affiliates, all references herein or in any other Document to "Lenders" shall include Former Lenders for the purposes of such obligations, all references herein or in any other Document to "Hedging Affiliates" shall include Affiliates of such Former Lenders for the purposes of such obligations and all references herein or in any other Document to "Lender Financial Instruments" shall include such Financial Instruments with a Former Lender and its Hedging Affiliates. For certainty, any Financial Instrument Obligations under Financial Instruments entered into with a Former Lender or an Affiliate thereof after the Former Lender has ceased to be a Lender shall not be secured by the Security. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no Former Lender or any

Affiliate thereof shall have any right to cause or require the enforcement of the Security or any right to participate in any decisions relating to the Security, including any decisions relating to the enforcement or manner of enforcement of the Security or decisions relating to any amendment to, waiver under, release of or other dealing with all or any part of the Security; for certainty, the sole right of a Former Lender and its Affiliates with respect to the Security is to share, on a *pari passu* basis, in any proceeds of realization and enforcement of the Security.

11.11 Acknowledgement Regarding Any Supported QFCs

(1) To the extent that the Documents provide support, through a guarantee or otherwise, for any Lender Financial Instrument or any other agreement or instrument that is a QFC (such support, "**QFC Credit Support**" and each such QFC a "**Supported QFC**"), the parties acknowledge and agree as follows with respect to the resolution power of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation under the United States Federal Deposit Insurance Act and Title II of the United States Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (together with the regulations promulgated thereunder, the "**U.S. Special Resolution Regimes**") in respect of such Supported QFC and QFC Credit Support (with the provisions below applicable notwithstanding that the Documents and any Supported QFC may in fact be stated to be governed by the laws of the Province of Alberta and the laws of Canada applicable therein or the laws of any other jurisdiction).

(2) In the event a Covered Entity that is party to a Supported QFC (each, a "**Covered Party**") becomes subject to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, the transfer of such Supported QFC and the benefit of such QFC Credit Support (and any interest and obligation in or under such Supported QFC and such QFC Credit Support, and any rights in property securing such Supported QFC or such QFC Credit Support) from such Covered Party will be effective to the same extent as the transfer would be effective under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime if the Supported QFC and such QFC Credit Support (and any such interest, obligation and rights in property) were governed by the laws of the United States or a state of the United States. In the event a Covered Party or a BHC Act Affiliate of a Covered Party becomes subject to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, Default Rights under the Documents that might otherwise apply to such Supported QFC or any QFC Credit Support that may be exercised against such Covered Party are permitted to be exercised to no greater extent than such Default Rights could be exercised under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime if the Supported QFC and the Documents were governed by the laws of the United States or a state of the United States. Without limitation of the foregoing, it is understood and agreed that rights and remedies of the parties with respect to a Defaulting Lender shall in no event affect the rights of any Covered Party with respect to a Supported QFC or any QFC Credit Support.

ARTICLE 12 – EVENTS OF DEFAULT AND ACCELERATION

12.1 Events of Default

The occurrence of any one or more of the following events (each such event being herein referred to as an "**Event of Default**") shall constitute a default under this Agreement:

- (a) Principal Default: if the Borrower fails to pay the principal of any Loan hereunder when due and payable;
- (b) Other Payment Default: if the Borrower fails to pay:
 - (i) any interest (including, if applicable, default interest) accrued on any Loan;
 - (ii) any acceptance fee with respect to a Bankers' Acceptance or issuance fee with respect to a Letter of Credit; or
 - (iii) any other amount not specifically referred to in paragraph (a) above or in this paragraph (b) payable by the Borrower hereunder;

in each case, when due and payable, and such default is not remedied within 3 Banking Days after written notice thereof is given by the Agent to the Borrower specifying such default and requiring the Borrower to remedy or cure the same;

- (c) Breach of Certain Covenants: if the Borrower fails to observe or perform any covenant in Sections 10.1(u), 10.1(z), 10.1(cc) **Error! Reference source not found.** or 10.2 (other than Sections 10.2(k) or 10.2(n));
- (d) Breach of Certain Covenant (5 Banking Day Cure Period): if the Borrower fails to observe or perform its covenant in Sections 10.1(h), 10.2(k) or 10.2(n) when such covenant was required to be observed or performed, or if West Lake Energy Corp. (or any other person which is a permitted assignee of the Boulder VTB) or Joel MacLeod fails to observe or perform its obligations under the Boulder VTB Subordination Agreement in a manner that is adverse to the interests of the Lenders in any material respect, and such default is not remedied within a period of 5 Banking Days of the failure by the Borrower or West Lake Energy Corp. (or any other person which is a permitted assignee of the Boulder VTB) or Joel MacLeod to observe or perform the same;
- (e) Breach of Security Covenants: if the Borrower or a Subsidiary fails to observe or perform any covenant, condition or agreement in Article 11; and provided that with regards to a default caused by the failure of the Borrower or any Subsidiary to comply with any covenant, condition or agreement set forth in Sections 11.3 through 11.8, inclusive, which does not impair the Lenders' rights in a material way, such default shall continue unremedied for a period of 15 days;
- (f) Breach of Other Covenants: if the Borrower, a Subsidiary or Related Party fails to observe or perform any covenant or obligation herein or in any other Document required on its part to be observed or performed (other than a covenant or condition whose breach or default in performance is specifically dealt with elsewhere in this Section) and the Borrower, such Subsidiary or Related Party shall fail to remedy such default within a period of 30 days after the earlier of (i) notice thereof from the Agent to the Borrower or (ii) knowledge thereof of the Borrower, such Subsidiary or such Related Party;
- (g) Incorrect Representations: if any representation or warranty made or deemed to be made by the Borrower, any Subsidiary or any Related Party herein or in any other Document shall prove to have been incorrect or misleading in any material respect (other than those representations and warranties which are already subject to a materiality threshold (such as Material Adverse Effect), which shall not be incorrect or misleading in any respect) on and as of the date made and, if curable, the facts or circumstances which make such representation or warranty incorrect or misleading are not remedied and the representation or warranty in question remains incorrect or misleading more than 30 days after the earlier of (i) notice thereof from the Agent to the Borrower or (ii) knowledge thereof of the Borrower;
- (h) Involuntary Insolvency: if a decree or order of a court of competent jurisdiction is entered adjudging the Borrower or a Material Subsidiary a bankrupt or insolvent under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* (Canada), the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* (Canada), the *Winding-up and Restructuring Act* (Canada) or any other bankruptcy, insolvency, corporate or analogous laws or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its property or affairs;
- (i) Idem: if any case, proceeding, application or other action shall be instituted in any court of competent jurisdiction against the Borrower or any Material Subsidiary, seeking in respect of it an adjudication in bankruptcy, reorganization, dissolution, winding up, liquidation, a composition, proposal (or notice of intention to file a proposal) or arrangement (including an arrangement or proceeding under the *Canada Business Corporations Act* or the *Business Corporations Act* (Alberta) or any other analogous provincial or federal statute, as applicable) with creditors, a readjustment or compromise of debts, the appointment of trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, receiver and manager, interim receiver, custodian, sequestrator, monitor, liquidator or other person with similar powers with respect to the Borrower or such Material Subsidiary (as the case may be) or of all or any

substantial part of its property, or any other like relief in respect of the Borrower or such Material Subsidiary (as the case may be) under any bankruptcy, insolvency or corporate law and:

- (i) such case, proceeding, application or other action results in an entry of an order for such relief or any such adjudication or appointment, or
 - (ii) if such case, proceeding, application or other action is being contested by the Borrower or such Material Subsidiary (as the case may be) in good faith, the same shall continue undismissed, or unstayed and in effect, for any period of 30 consecutive days;
- (j) Voluntary Insolvency: if the Borrower or any Material Subsidiary makes any assignment in bankruptcy or makes any other assignment for the benefit of creditors, makes any proposal (or files a notice of intention to make a proposal) under the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* (Canada) or any comparable law, seeks relief under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* (Canada), the *Winding-up and Restructuring Act* (Canada) or any other bankruptcy, insolvency, corporate or analogous law, files a petition or proposal to take advantage of any act of insolvency by it, consents to or acquiesces in the appointment of a trustee in bankruptcy, receiver, receiver and manager, interim receiver, custodian, monitor, sequestrator, liquidator or other person with similar powers over itself or over all or any substantial portion of its assets, or files a petition, application or otherwise commences any proceeding seeking any reorganization, arrangement, composition, administration, compromise, restructuring, arrangement or readjustment under any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, moratorium, reorganization, corporate or other similar law affecting creditors' rights (including an arrangement or proceeding under the *Canada Business Corporations Act* or the *Business Corporations Act* (Alberta) or any other analogous provincial or federal statute, as applicable) or consents to, or acquiesces in, the filing of such assignment, proposal, application, relief, petition, proposal, appointment or proceeding;
- (k) Dissolution: except as permitted by Sections 10.2(c) or 10.2(l), if proceedings are commenced for the dissolution, liquidation or winding up of the Borrower or any Material Subsidiary unless such proceedings are being actively and diligently contested in good faith to the satisfaction of the Majority of the Lenders, acting reasonably;
- (l) Security Realization: if creditors of the Borrower or any Material Subsidiaries having a Security Interest against or in respect of the property and assets thereof, or any part thereof, realize upon or enforce any such security against such property and assets or any part thereof having an aggregate fair market value in excess of the Threshold Amount and such realization or enforcement shall continue in effect and not be released, discharged or stayed within the lesser of 30 days and the period of time prescribed under Applicable Laws for the completion of the sale of or realization against the assets subject to such seizure or attachment;
- (m) Seizure: if property and assets of the Borrower and its Material Subsidiaries or any part thereof having an aggregate fair market value in excess of the Threshold Amount are seized or otherwise attached by anyone pursuant to any legal process or other means, including distress, execution or any other step or proceeding with similar effect and such attachment, step or other proceeding shall continue in effect and not be released, discharged or stayed within the lesser of 30 days and the period of time prescribed under Applicable Laws for the completion of the sale of or realization against the assets subject to such seizure or attachment;
- (n) Judgment (Payment of Money): if one or more final judgments, decrees or orders for the payment of money shall be rendered against the Borrower or any of the Material Subsidiaries (or any combination thereof) in an aggregate amount (to the extent not covered by insurance) in excess of the Threshold Amount and the Borrower or relevant Material Subsidiary has not (i) provided for its discharge in accordance with its terms within 30 days from the date of entry thereof, or (ii) procured a stay of execution thereof within 30 days from the date of entry thereof and within such period, or such longer period during which execution of such judgment has not been stayed, appealed such judgment and caused the execution thereof to be stayed during such appeal; provided that if

enforcement and/or realization proceedings are lawfully commenced in respect thereof in the interim, such grace period will cease to apply;

- (o) Judgment (Not for Payment of Money): if one or more final judgments, decrees or orders not involving payment of money and not otherwise specified in Section 12.1(n), has been rendered against the Borrower or any of the Material Subsidiaries (or any combination thereof), the result of which has had a Material Adverse Effect, so long as the Borrower or relevant Material Subsidiary, as applicable, has not (i) provided for its discharge in accordance with its terms within 30 days from the date of entry thereof, or (ii) procured a stay of execution thereof within 30 days from the date of entry thereof and within such period, or such longer period during which execution of such judgment has not been stayed, appealed such judgment and caused the execution thereof to be stayed during such appeal; provided that if enforcement and/or realization proceedings are lawfully commenced in respect thereof in the interim, such grace period will cease to apply;
- (p) Payment Cross Default - General: if the Borrower or any of its Material Subsidiaries (or any combination thereof) defaults in the payment when due (whether at maturity, upon acceleration, or otherwise) of Debt (other than, for certainty, Permitted Junior Debt as set forth in Section 12.1(q)) or Financial Instrument Obligations thereof in aggregate in excess of the Threshold Amount;
- (q) Payment Cross Default – Permitted Junior Debt and Boulder VTB: if the Borrower defaults in the payment when due (whether at maturity, upon acceleration, or otherwise) of any Permitted Junior Debt or the Boulder VTB;
- (r) Event Cross Default - General: if a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (however described) in respect of the Borrower or any of its Material Subsidiaries (or any combination thereof, without duplication) occurs or exists under any indentures, credit agreements, agreements or other instruments evidencing or relating to Debt (other than, for certainty, Permitted Junior Debt as set forth in Section 12.1(s)) or Financial Instrument Obligations thereof (individually or collectively) in an aggregate amount in excess of the Threshold Amount and such default, event or condition has resulted in such Debt or Financial Instrument Obligations becoming, or becoming capable at such time of being declared, due and payable thereunder before it would otherwise have been due and payable;
- (s) Event Cross Default – Permitted Junior Debt and Boulder VTB: if a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (however described) in respect of the Borrower occurs or exists under any Permitted Junior Debt or under the Boulder VTB and such default, event or condition has resulted in such Permitted Junior Debt or the Boulder VTB becoming, or becoming capable at such time of being declared, due and payable thereunder before it would otherwise have been due and payable;
- (t) Cross Default to Secured Royalty Agreements: if a default, event of default or other similar condition or event (however described) in respect of the Borrower or any Subsidiary party to a Secured Royalty Agreement (or any combination thereof, without duplication) occurs or exists under any Secured Royalty Agreement, or any material agreement, instrument or other document relating thereto, and the Borrower or such Subsidiary fails to remedy or cure such default, event of default or other similar condition or event within the cure period provided for in the relevant Secured Royalty Agreement or other applicable agreement, instrument, document or contract and such failure permits a Royalty Owner to realize upon or enforce any Security Interests held by it against or in respect of the property and assets the Borrower or any Subsidiary party to a Secured Royalty Agreement;
- (u) Material Adverse Effect: if, in the opinion of the Majority of the Lenders, acting reasonably, a Material Adverse Effect occurs and is continuing;
- (v) Cease to Carry on Business: if, except as permitted by Section 10.2(c) or Section 10.2(l), the Borrower or any Material Subsidiary ceases to carry on business;

- (w) Change of Control: if a Change of Control occurs;
- (x) Lender Financial Instruments: if a Financial Instrument Demand for Payment has been delivered to the Borrower or a Subsidiary and the Borrower or such Subsidiary fails to make payment thereunder within the lesser of (i) 3 Banking Days and (ii) the time otherwise required for payment thereunder;
- (y) Qualified Auditor Report: if the auditors' opinion required to be delivered with the annual audited financial statements that are required to be delivered by the Borrower pursuant to Section 10.1(e)(ii) contains a "going concern" qualification or note that is not acceptable to the Majority of the Lenders, acting reasonably, and, if unacceptable, (i) such qualification or note is not rectified or otherwise dealt with to the satisfaction of the Majority of the Lenders, acting reasonably, within a period of 30 days (or such later date as the Majority of the Lenders agree to in writing) after written notice thereof by the Agent to the Borrower; or (ii) within such 30 day (or such later date as the Majority of the Lenders agree to in writing) period, the Borrower has not delivered a plan to the Agent as to how it plans to rectify or otherwise deal with such qualification or note (such plan to include the time frame within which the Borrower proposes to rectify or otherwise deal with such qualification or note) and such plan is not satisfactory to the Majority of the Lenders, acting reasonably, and following delivery and acceptance of such plan, the Borrower fails to diligently pursue the same and rectify or otherwise deal with such qualification or note in accordance with the plan and within the proposed time frame;
- (z) Loss and Priority of Security: except for Permitted Encumbrances, if any of the Security shall cease to be a valid first priority Security Interest against the property, assets and undertaking of the Borrower or any Material Subsidiary as against third parties (and the same is not forthwith effectively rectified or replaced by the Borrower or such Material Subsidiary, as applicable);
- (aa) Borrowing Base Shortfall: for certainty, if a Borrowing Base Shortfall exists and is not remedied in accordance with Section 2.22(5);
- (bb) Invalidity: if any of this Agreement, any Security or any other Document or any material provision of any of the foregoing shall at any time for any reason cease to be in full force and effect, be declared to be void or voidable (and the same is not forthwith effectively rectified or replaced by the Borrower) or shall be repudiated, or the validity or enforceability thereof shall at any time be contested by the Borrower or any Subsidiary, or the Borrower or any Subsidiary shall deny that it has any or any further liability or obligation thereunder, or at any time it shall be unlawful or impossible for them to perform any of their respective Secured Obligations thereunder;
- (cc) Failure to Comply with Material Order: if any Material Order or Energy Regulator Demand for Deposits which, individually or in the aggregate, exceed the Threshold Amount have been received by the Borrower or a Subsidiary and the Borrower or such Subsidiary has failed to comply therewith within the time required for such compliance and any applicable appeal periods have expired; or
- (dd) Receipt of Material Order: if the Borrower fails to deliver to the Agent and the Lenders a copy of any Material Order or Energy Regulator Demand for Deposit which, individually or in the aggregate, exceed the Threshold Amount within 10 Banking Days of the receipt thereof.

12.2 Acceleration

If any Event of Default shall occur and for so long as it is continuing:

- (a) the entire principal amount of all Loans then outstanding from the Borrower and all accrued and unpaid interest thereon;
- (b) an amount equal to the face amount at maturity of all Bankers' Acceptances issued by the Borrower which are unmatured;

- (c) an amount equal to the maximum amount then available to be drawn under all unexpired Letters of Credit; and
- (d) all other Obligations outstanding hereunder,

shall, at the option of the Agent in accordance with Section 15.11 or upon the request of the Majority of the Lenders, become immediately due and payable upon written notice to that effect from the Agent to the Borrower, all without any other notice and without presentment, protest, demand, notice of dishonour or any other demand whatsoever (all of which are hereby expressly waived by the Borrower); provided, however, that if an Event of Default under Section 12.1(h), 12.1(i) or 12.1(j) shall occur and be continuing (each, an "**Insolvency Event**"), the foregoing shall automatically become due and payable, in each case without any other notice and without presentment, protest, demand, notice of dishonour or any other demand whatsoever (all of which are hereby expressly waived by the Borrower). In such event and if the Borrower does not immediately pay all such amounts upon receipt of such notice, either the Lenders (in accordance with the proviso in Section 15.11(i)) or the Agent on their behalf may, in their discretion, exercise any right or recourse and/or proceed by any action, suit, remedy or proceeding against the Borrower or any Subsidiary authorized or permitted by law for the recovery of all the indebtedness and liabilities of the Borrower to the Lenders and proceed to exercise any and all rights hereunder and under the other Documents and no such remedy for the enforcement of the rights of the Lenders shall be exclusive of or dependent on any other remedy but any one or more of such remedies may from time to time be exercised independently or in combination.

12.3 Conversion on Default

Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Operating Lender or the Agent on behalf of the Lenders (as applicable) may convert a SOFR Loan owing by the Borrower to a U.S. Base Rate Loan. Interest shall accrue on each such U.S. Base Rate Loan at the rate specified in Section 5.2 with interest on all overdue interest at the same rate, such interest to be calculated daily and payable on demand.

12.4 Remedies Cumulative and Waivers

For greater certainty, it is expressly understood and agreed that the rights and remedies of the Lenders and the Agent hereunder or under any other Document are cumulative and are in addition to and not in substitution for any rights or remedies provided by law or by equity; and any single or partial exercise by the Lenders or by the Agent of any right or remedy for a default or breach of any term, covenant, condition or agreement contained in this Agreement or other Document shall not be deemed to be a waiver of or to alter, affect or prejudice any other right or remedy or other rights or remedies to which any one or more of the Lenders and the Agent may be lawfully entitled for such default or breach. Any waiver by, as applicable, the Majority of the Lenders, all of the Lenders or the Agent of the strict observance, performance or compliance with any term, covenant, condition or other matter contained herein and any indulgence granted, either expressly or by course of conduct, by, as applicable, the Majority of the Lenders, all of the Lenders or the Agent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the purpose for which it was given and shall be deemed not to be a waiver of any rights and remedies of the Lenders or the Agent under this Agreement or any other Document as a result of any other default or breach hereunder or thereunder.

12.5 Suspension of Lenders' Obligations

During the continuance of a Default or Event of Default, the Lenders shall be relieved of all obligations to provide any further Drawdowns, Rollovers or Conversions to the Borrower hereunder; provided that the foregoing shall not prevent the Lenders or the Agent from disbursing money or effecting any Conversion which, by the terms hereof, they are entitled to effect, or any Conversion or Rollover requested by the Borrower and acceptable to the relevant Lenders and/or the Agent.

12.6 Acceleration of All Lender Obligations

(1) If a Lender has delivered a Financial Instrument Demand for Payment to the Borrower or a Subsidiary, then it shall promptly notify the Agent and other Lenders thereof.

(2) If an Acceleration Notice has been delivered to the Borrower, then, to the extent that it is not already the case, all Secured Obligations shall be immediately due and payable and each Lender, each Hedging Affiliate, each Cash Manager and the Agent shall (and shall be entitled to) promptly, and in any event within 3 Banking Days of receipt of notice of the foregoing, deliver such other Demands for Payment and notices as may be necessary to ensure that all Secured Obligations are thereafter due and payable under this Agreement, the Cash Management Documents and the applicable Lender Financial Instruments, as applicable.

(3) Each agreement, indenture, instrument or other document evidencing or relating to Cash Management Obligations or Lender Financial Instrument Obligations shall, notwithstanding any provision thereof to the contrary, be deemed to be hereby amended to allow and permit the Lender or Hedging Affiliate, as the case may be, which is a party thereto to comply with or enforce the provisions of this Section 12.6.

12.7 Application and Sharing of Payments Following Acceleration

Except as otherwise agreed to by all of the Lenders in their sole discretion and subject to the terms of any Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement, all monies and property received by the Lenders for application in respect of the Secured Obligations subsequent to the Adjustment Time and all monies received as a result of a realization upon the Security (collectively, the "**Realization Proceeds**") shall be applied and distributed to the Lenders and the Agent in the order and manner set forth below:

- (a) firstly, distributed proportionately to the Lenders and the Agent in accordance with amounts owing to each Lender and the Agent on account of the costs and expenses of enforcement and realization upon the Security; and
- (b) secondly, distributed Rateably to the Lenders and Hedging Affiliates on account of the Secured Obligations,

and the balance of the Realization Proceeds (if any) shall be paid to the Borrower or otherwise as may be required by Applicable Laws.

12.8 Calculations as at the Adjustment Time

For the purposes of this Agreement, if a Financial Instrument Demand for Payment has been delivered, then any amount which is payable by the Borrower or a Subsidiary under such Lender Financial Instrument in settlement of obligations arising thereunder as a result of the early termination of the Lender Financial Instrument shall be deemed to have become payable at the time of delivery of such Financial Instrument Demand for Payment notwithstanding that the amount payable by the Borrower or such Subsidiary is to be subsequently calculated and notice thereof given to the Borrower or such Subsidiary in accordance with such Lender Financial Instrument.

12.9 Sharing Repayments

Each Lender agrees that, subsequent to the Adjustment Time, it will at any time and from time to time upon the request of the Agent purchase undivided participations in the Secured Obligations and make any other adjustments which may be necessary or appropriate, in order that Secured Obligations which remain outstanding to each Lender and its Hedging Affiliates are thereafter outstanding, as adjusted pursuant to this Section, in accordance with the provisions of Section 12.7. The Borrower agrees to do, or cause to be done (whether by it or its Subsidiaries), all things reasonably necessary or appropriate to give effect to any and all purchases and other adjustments by and between the Lenders pursuant to this Section.

12.10 Adjustments Among Lenders

(1) Notwithstanding anything herein or in any other Document to the contrary, if all Obligations become due and payable pursuant to Section 12.2 (an "**Acceleration**") or an Insolvency Event shall occur and be continuing:

- (a) each Lender agrees that it shall, at any time or from time to time thereafter at the request of the Agent as required by any Lender, (i) purchase at par on a non-recourse basis a participation in the Loans (including Letters of Credit) owing to each other Lender under the Credit Facilities and (ii) effect such other transactions and make such other adjustments as are necessary or appropriate, in order that the aggregate Outstanding Principal owing to each of the Lenders under the Credit Facilities, as adjusted pursuant to this Section 12.10, shall be in the same proportion as each Lender's Aggregate Individual Commitment was to the Total Commitment immediately prior to the Acceleration or Insolvency Event, as the case may be; and
 - (b) any payment made by or on behalf of the Borrower or Guarantors under or pursuant to the Documents, any proceeds from the exercise of any rights and remedies of the Agent and the Lenders under the Documents and any distribution or payment received by the Agent or the Lenders with respect to the Borrower and the Guarantors in the event of any bankruptcy, insolvency, winding-up, liquidation, arrangement, compromise or composition, shall be applied against the Outstanding Principal in a manner so that, to the extent possible, the Outstanding Principal owing to each of the Lenders under the Credit Facilities will be in the same proportion as each Lender's Aggregate Individual Commitment was to the Total Commitment immediately prior to the Acceleration or Insolvency Event, as the case may be.
- (2) For certainty, from and after the Term Out Date applicable to a Lender under a Credit Facility and its Commitment thereunder:
- (a) the unutilized portion of such Lender's Commitment shall be cancelled pursuant to Section 2.4(b); and
 - (b) the amount of such Lender's Commitment for all purposes hereof, including this Section 12.10, shall be the Outstanding Principal owing to such Lender under such Commitment and Credit Facility as at any date of determination.
- (3) Each Lender shall, at any time and from time to time at the request of the Agent as required by any Lender, execute and deliver such agreements, instruments and other documents and take such other steps and actions as may be required to confirm, evidence or give effect to the foregoing.
- (4) For certainty, (a) the Lenders shall be obligated to purchase participations and to effect the transactions and adjustments contemplated by this Section 12.10 and (b) the other provisions hereof shall operate and apply, in each case, irrespective of whether any condition in Article 3 is met.

ARTICLE 13– CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCES

13.1 **Benchmark Replacement Settings**

- (1) *Benchmark Replacement.*
- (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Document, but subject to Section 13.1(1)(b) if a Benchmark Transition Event and its related Benchmark Replacement Date have occurred prior to any setting of the then-current Benchmark, then (x) if a Benchmark Replacement is determined in accordance with clause (a)(i) or (b)(i) of the definition of "Benchmark Replacement" for such Benchmark Replacement Date, such Benchmark Replacement will replace such Benchmark for all purposes hereunder and under any other Document in respect of such Benchmark setting and subsequent Benchmark settings without any amendment to, or further action or consent of any other party to, this Agreement or any other Document and the definition of "Adjusted Term SOFR" shall be deemed modified to delete the addition of the Term SOFR Adjustment to Term SOFR for any calculation and (y) if a Benchmark Replacement is determined in accordance with clause (a)(ii) or (b)(ii) of the definition of "Benchmark Replacement" for such Benchmark Replacement Date, such Benchmark Replacement will replace such Benchmark for all

purposes hereunder and under any other Document in respect of any Benchmark setting at or after 5:00 p.m. (New York City time) on the fifth (5th) Banking Day after the date notice of such Benchmark Replacement is provided to the Lenders without any amendment to, or further action or consent of any other party to, this Agreement or any other Document so long as the Agent has not received, by such time, written notice of objection to such Benchmark Replacement from Lenders comprising the Majority of the Lenders.

- (b) The parties to this Agreement acknowledge that, on May 16, 2022, Refinitiv Benchmark Services (UK) Limited ("**RBSL**"), the administrator of the CDOR Reference Rate, announced in a public statement that the calculation and publication of all tenors of the CDOR Reference Rate will permanently cease immediately following a final publication on Friday, June 28, 2024. On the date that all Available Tenors of the CDOR Reference Rate have either permanently or indefinitely ceased to be provided by RBSL (the "**CDOR Cessation Date**"), if the then-current Canadian dollar Benchmark is the CDOR Reference Rate, the Benchmark Replacement will replace such Benchmark for all purposes hereunder and under any other Document in respect of any setting of such Benchmark on such day and all subsequent settings without any amendment to, or further action or consent of any other party to this Agreement or any other Document.
- (c) If the Benchmark Replacement is based upon Daily Simple SOFR or Daily Compounded CORRA, all interest payments on Benchmark Loans which bear interest with reference to such rate will be payable on a monthly basis.

(2) *Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes.* In connection with the use, administration, adoption or implementation of a Benchmark Replacement, the Agent (including as may be directed by the Operating Lender with respect to its Operating Facility Commitment) will have the right to make Conforming Changes from time to time and, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Document, any amendments implementing such Conforming Changes will become effective without any further action or consent of any other party to this Agreement or any other Document.

(3) *Notices; Standards for Decisions and Determinations.* The Agent will promptly notify the Borrower and, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Lenders of (a) the implementation of any Benchmark Replacement, (b) any occurrence of a Term CORRA Transition Event, (c) the effectiveness of any Conforming Changes, and (d) by delivering a BA Cessation Notice pursuant to clause (7) of this Section, its intention to terminate the obligation of the Lenders to make or maintain Bankers' Acceptances. The Agent, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, or the Operating Lender, in the case of the Operating Facility (as the case may be), will promptly notify the Borrower of (y) the removal or reinstatement of any tenor of a Benchmark pursuant to Section 13.1(4) and (z) the commencement of any Benchmark Unavailability Period. Any determination, decision or election that may be made by the Agent or, if applicable, any Lender (or group of Lenders) pursuant to this Section 13.1, including any determination with respect to a tenor, rate or adjustment or of the occurrence or non-occurrence of an event, circumstance or date and any decision to take or refrain from taking any action or any selection, will be conclusive and binding absent manifest error and may be made in its or their sole discretion and without consent from any other party to this Agreement or any other Document, except, in each case, as expressly required pursuant to this Section 13.1.

(4) *Unavailability of Tenor of Benchmark.* Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Document, at any time (including in connection with the implementation of any Benchmark Replacement), (a) if any then-current Benchmark is a term rate (including the Term SOFR Reference Rate, the CDOR Reference Rate or Term CORRA) and either (i) any tenor for such Benchmark is not displayed on a screen or other information service that publishes such rate from time to time as selected by, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (as the case may be), in its discretion, acting reasonably, or (ii) the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of such Benchmark has provided a public statement or publication of information announcing that any tenor for such Benchmark is not or will not be representative, then, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (as the case may be) may modify the definition of "Interest Period" (or any similar or analogous definition) for any Benchmark settings applicable to such Credit Facility at or after such time to remove such unavailable or non-representative tenor and (b) if a tenor that was removed pursuant to clause (a) above either (i) is subsequently displayed on a screen or information service for a Benchmark (including a Benchmark Replacement) or (ii) is not, or is no longer, subject to an

announcement that it is not or will not be representative for a Benchmark (including a Benchmark Replacement), then, in the case of the Syndicated Facility the Agent or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (as the case may be) may modify the definition of "Interest Period" (or any similar or analogous definition) for all Benchmark settings applicable to such Credit Facility at or after such time to reinstate such previously removed tenor.

(5) *Benchmark Unavailability Period.* Upon the Borrower's receipt of notice of the commencement of a Benchmark Unavailability Period, (a) the Borrower may revoke any requested Drawdown of, Conversion to or Rollover of a SOFR Loan, a Bankers' Acceptance or CAD Benchmark Loan (as applicable) to be made, converted or rolled over during any Benchmark Unavailability Period and, failing that, the Borrower will be deemed to have converted any such request into a request for a Drawdown of or Conversion to U.S. Base Rate Loans (in the case of SOFR Loans) or Canadian Prime Rate Loans (in the case of Bankers' Acceptances or CAD Benchmark Loans) and (b) any outstanding affected SOFR Loans, Bankers' Acceptances or CAD Benchmark Loans will be deemed to have been subject to a Conversion to U.S. Base Rate Loans (in the case of SOFR Loans) or Canadian Prime Rate Loans (in the case of Bankers' Acceptances or CAD Benchmark Loans) at the end of the applicable Interest Period. During any Benchmark Unavailability Period or at any time that a tenor for the then-current Benchmark is not an Available Tenor, the component of U.S. Base Rate or Canadian Prime Rate (as applicable) based upon the then-current Benchmark or such tenor for such Benchmark, as applicable, will not be used in any determination of the U.S. Base Rate or the Canadian Prime Rate, as applicable.

(6) *Secondary Term CORRA Conversion.* Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Document and subject to the proviso below in this Section 13.1(6), if a Term CORRA Transition Event and its related Term CORRA Transition Date have occurred, then on and after such Term CORRA Transition Date (i) the Benchmark Replacement described in clause (b)(i)(A) of such definition will replace the then-current Canadian dollar Benchmark for all purposes hereunder or under any other Document in respect of any setting of such Benchmark on such day and all subsequent settings, without any amendment to, or further action or consent of any other party to, this Agreement or any other Document; and (ii) each Bankers' Acceptance or CAD Benchmark Loan outstanding on the Term CORRA Transition Date bearing interest based on the then-current Benchmark shall convert pursuant to a Conversion, on the first day of the next interest payment period, into a Loan bearing interest at the Benchmark Replacement described in clause (b)(i)(A) of such definition for the respective Available Tenor as selected by the Borrower as is available for the then-current Canadian dollar Benchmark; provided that, this Section 13.1(6) shall not be effective unless, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent has delivered to the Lenders and the Borrower, or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender has delivered to the Borrower, a Term CORRA Notice, and so long as, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent has not received from Lenders comprising Majority of the Lenders or the Borrower, or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender has not received from the Borrower, by 5:00 p.m. (Toronto time) on the fifth (5th) Banking Day after the date of the Term CORRA Notice, written notice of objection to such Conversion to Term CORRA from Lenders comprising Majority of the Lenders or the Borrower.

(7) *Bankers' Acceptances.* The Agent shall have the option to, effective as of the date set out in the BA Cessation Notice, which shall be a date on or after the CDOR Cessation Date (the "**BA Cessation Effective Date**"), terminate the obligation of the Lenders to make or maintain Bankers' Acceptances, provided that the Agent shall give notice to the Borrower and the Lenders at least thirty (30) Banking Days prior to the BA Cessation Effective Date ("**BA Cessation Notice**"). If the BA Cessation Notice is provided, then as of the BA Cessation Effective Date, so long as the Agent has not received, by 5:00 p.m. (Toronto time) on the fifth (5th) Banking Day after the date of the BA Cessation Notice, written notice of objection to the termination of the obligation to make or maintain Bankers' Acceptances from Lenders comprising the Majority of the Lenders, (i) any Drawdown Notice that requests the Conversion of any Loan to, or Rollover of any Loans as, a Bankers' Acceptance shall be ineffective, and (ii) if any Drawdown Notice requests a Bankers' Acceptance, such Loan shall be made as a CAD Benchmark Loan of the same tenor. For the avoidance of doubt, any outstanding Bankers' Acceptance shall remain in effect following the CDOR Cessation Date until such Bankers' Acceptance's stated maturity.

13.2 Market Disruption Respecting Bankers' Acceptances

Subject to Section 13.1, if:

- (a) the Agent (acting reasonably) or the Operating Lender (acting reasonably) makes a determination, which determination shall be conclusive and binding upon the Borrower, and notifies the Borrower, that there no longer exists an active market for bankers' acceptances accepted by the Lenders or the Operating Lender, as the case may be; or
- (b) the Agent is advised in writing by either (i) the Operating Lender in respect of the Operating Facility, or (ii) two or more Lenders holding at least [redacted] of the Commitments of all Lenders under the Syndicated Facility (each, a "**Lender BA Suspension Notice**") that the Operating Lender or such Lenders (as applicable) have determined (acting reasonably) that the BA Discount Rate will not or does not accurately reflect the cost of funds of such Lenders or the discount rate which would be applicable to a sale of Bankers' Acceptances accepted by the Operating Lender or such Lenders in the market;

then:

- (c) (i) in respect of a Lender BA Suspension Notice given in respect of the Operating Facility, the right of the Borrower to request Bankers' Acceptances or BA Equivalent Advances from the Operating Lender shall be suspended until the Operating Lender determines that the circumstances causing such suspension no longer exist, and so notifies the Borrower; and (ii) in respect of a Lender BA Suspension Notice given in respect of the Syndicated Facility, the right of the Borrower to request Bankers' Acceptances or BA Equivalent Advances from the Lenders shall be suspended until the Agent determines that the circumstances causing such suspension no longer exist, and so notifies the Borrower and the Lenders;
- (d) any outstanding Drawdown Notice requesting a Loan by way of Bankers' Acceptances or BA Equivalent Advances under the Operating Facility (in the case of a Lender BA Suspension Notice given in respect of the Operating Facility) or the Syndicated Facility (in the case of a Lender BA Suspension Notice given in respect of the Syndicated Facility) shall be deemed to be a Drawdown Notice requesting a Loan under the same Credit Facility by way of Canadian Prime Rate Loans in the amount specified in the original Drawdown Notice;
- (e) any outstanding Conversion Notice requesting a Conversion of a Loan by way of U.S. Base Rate Loans or SOFR Loans under the Operating Facility (in the case of a Lender BA Suspension Notice given in respect of the Operating Facility) or the Syndicated Facility (in the case of a Lender BA Suspension Notice given in respect of the Syndicated Facility) into a Loan by way of Bankers' Acceptances or BA Equivalent Advances under the Operating Facility or the Syndicated Facility, as the case may be, shall be deemed to be a Conversion Notice requesting a Conversion of such Loan into a Loan by way of Canadian Prime Rate Loans under such same Credit Facility; and
- (f) any outstanding Rollover Notice requesting a Rollover of a Loan by way of Bankers' Acceptances or BA Equivalent Advances under the Operating Facility (in the case of a Lender BA Suspension Notice given in respect of the Operating Facility) or the Syndicated Facility (in the case of a Lender BA Suspension Notice given in respect of the Syndicated Facility) shall be deemed to be a Conversion Notice requesting a Conversion of such Loans into a Loan by way of Canadian Prime Rate Loans under the same Credit Facility.

The Agent shall promptly notify the Borrower and the Lenders of any suspension of the Borrower's right to request the Bankers' Acceptances or BA Equivalent Advances and of any termination of any such suspension. A Lender BA Suspension Notice shall be effective upon receipt of the same by the Agent if received prior to 2:00 p.m. (Toronto time) on a Banking Day and if not, then on the next following Banking Day, except in connection with a Drawdown Notice, Conversion Notice or Rollover Notice previously received by the Agent, in which case the applicable Lender BA Suspension Notice shall only be effective with respect to such previously received Drawdown Notice, Conversion Notice or Rollover Notice if received by the Agent prior to 2:00 p.m. (Toronto time) two Banking Days prior to the proposed Drawdown Date, Conversion Date or Rollover Date (as applicable) applicable to such previously received Drawdown Notice, Conversion Notice or Rollover Notice, as applicable.

13.3 Change in Law

(1) Subject to Sections 13.3(2) and 13.3(3), if the adoption of any applicable law, regulation, treaty or official directive (whether or not having the force of law) or any change therein or in the interpretation or application thereof by any court or by any Governmental Authority or any other entity charged with the interpretation or administration thereof or compliance by a Lender or its Lender Parent with any request or direction (whether or not having the force of law) of any such court, Governmental Authority or other entity in each case after the date of this Agreement:

- (a) subjects such Lender or its Lender Parent to, or causes the withdrawal or termination of a previously granted exemption with respect to, any Taxes (other than Taxes imposed on or measured by such Lender's or its Lender Parent's overall net income or overall capital), or changes the basis of taxation of payments due to such Lender, or increases any existing Taxes (other than Taxes imposed on or measured by such Lender's or its Lender Parent's overall net income or overall capital) on payments of principal, interest or other amounts payable by the Borrower to such Lender under this Agreement;
- (b) imposes, modifies or deems applicable any reserve, liquidity, special deposit, insurance charges, regulatory or similar requirement against assets or liabilities held by, or deposits in or for the account of, or loans by such Lender or its Lender Parent, or any acquisition of funds for loans or commitments to fund loans or obligations in respect of undrawn, committed lines of credit or in respect of Bankers' Acceptances accepted by such Lender;
- (c) imposes on such Lender or its Lender Parent or requires there to be maintained by such Lender or its Lender Parent any capital adequacy or liquidity or additional capital or liquidity requirements (including a requirement which affects such Lender's or its Lender Parent's allocation of capital resources to its obligations) in respect of any Loan or obligation of such Lender hereunder, or any other condition with respect to this Agreement; or
- (d) directly or indirectly affects the cost or imposes any expense to such Lender or its Lender Parent of making available, funding or maintaining any Loan (other than changes in Taxes imposed on or measured by such Lender's or its Lender Parent's overall net income or overall capital) or otherwise imposes on such Lender or its Lender Parent any other condition or requirement affecting this Agreement or any Loan or any obligation of such Lender hereunder;

and the result of (a), (b), (c) or (d) above, in the sole determination of such Lender acting in good faith, is:

- (e) to increase the cost to such Lender or its Lender Parent of performing its obligations hereunder with respect to any Loan;
- (f) to reduce any amount received or receivable by such Lender or its Lender Parent hereunder or its effective return hereunder or on its capital in respect of any Loan or a Credit Facility;
- (g) to reduce the standby fees payable to such Lender pursuant to Section 5.6; or
- (h) to cause such Lender or its Lender Parent to make any payment with respect to or to forego any return on or calculated by reference to, any amount received or receivable by such Lender hereunder with respect to any Loan or a Credit Facility;

such Lender shall determine that amount of money which shall compensate the Lender or its Lender Parent for such increase in cost, payments to be made or reduction in income or return or interest foregone (herein referred to as "**Additional Compensation**"). Upon a Lender having determined that it is entitled to Additional Compensation in accordance with the provisions of this Section, such Lender shall promptly so notify the Borrower and the Agent. The relevant Lender shall provide the Borrower and the Agent with a photocopy of the relevant law, rule, guideline, regulation, treaty or official directive (or, if it is impracticable to provide a photocopy, a written summary of the same)

and a certificate of a duly authorized officer of such Lender setting forth the Additional Compensation and the basis of calculation therefor, which shall be conclusive evidence of such Additional Compensation in the absence of manifest error. The Borrower shall pay to such Lender within 10 Banking Days of the giving of such notice such Lender's Additional Compensation. Each of the Lenders shall be entitled to be paid such Additional Compensation from time to time to the extent that the provisions of this Section are then applicable notwithstanding that any Lender has previously been paid any Additional Compensation.

(2) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, (a) all requests, rules, guidelines, requirements and directives promulgated by the Bank for International Settlements, the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (or any successor or similar authority) or by United States, Canadian or foreign regulatory authorities, in each case pursuant to Basel III and (b) the *Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act* (United States) and all regulations, requests, rules, guidelines, requirements and directives thereunder or issued in connection therewith or in implementation thereof ((i) and (ii), collectively, the "**New Rules**") shall, in each case, be deemed to be a change in applicable law for purposes of this Section 13.3 regardless of the date enacted, adopted, issued or implemented, in each case (i) to the extent such New Rules are materially different from the Applicable Laws in effect on the date of this Agreement and (ii) to the extent that such New Rules have general application to substantially all banks or their Affiliates which are subject to the New Rules in question.

(3) Each Lender agrees that it will not claim Additional Compensation from the Borrower under Section 13.3(1) if it is not generally claiming similar compensation from its other customers in similar circumstances or in respect of any period greater than 3 months prior to the delivery of notice in respect thereof by such Lender, unless, in the latter case, the adoption, change or other event or circumstance giving rise to the claim for Additional Compensation is retroactive or is retroactive in effect.

13.4 Prepayment of Portion

In addition to the other rights and options of the Borrower hereunder and notwithstanding any contrary provisions hereof, if a Lender gives the notice provided for in Section 13.3(1) with respect to any Loan (an "**Affected Loan**"), the Borrower may, upon 2 Banking Days' notice to that effect given to such Lender and the Agent (which notice shall be irrevocable), either effect a Conversion in accordance with the provisions hereof (if such Conversion would reduce the applicable Additional Compensation) or prepay in full without penalty such Lender's Rateable Portion of the Affected Loan outstanding together with accrued and unpaid interest on the principal amount so prepaid up to the date of such prepayment, such Additional Compensation as may be applicable to the date of such payment and all costs, losses and expenses incurred by such Lender by reason of the liquidation or re-deployment of deposits or other funds or for any other reason whatsoever resulting from the repayment of such Affected Loan or any part thereof on other than the last day of the applicable Interest Period, and upon such payment being made that Lender's obligations to make such Affected Loans to the Borrower under this Agreement shall terminate.

13.5 Illegality

- (a) If a Lender determines, in good faith, that the adoption of any applicable law, regulation, treaty or official directive (whether or not having the force of law) or any change therein or in the interpretation or application thereof by any court or by any Governmental Authority or any other entity charged with the interpretation or administration thereof or compliance by a Lender or its Lender Parent with any request or direction (whether or not having the force of law) of any such authority or entity, now or hereafter makes it unlawful or impossible for any Lender to, or for its Lender Parent to permit such Lender to, make, fund or maintain a Loan under any Credit Facility or to give effect to its obligations in respect of such a Loan, such Lender may, by written notice thereof to the Borrower and to the Agent declare its obligations under this Agreement in respect of such Loan to be terminated whereupon the same shall forthwith terminate, and the Borrower shall, within the time required by such law (or at the end of such longer period as such Lender at its discretion has agreed), either effect a Conversion of such Loan in accordance with the provisions hereof (if such Conversion would resolve the unlawfulness or impossibility) or prepay the principal of such Loan together with accrued interest, such Additional Compensation as may be applicable with respect to such Loan to the date of such payment and all costs, losses and expenses incurred by the Lenders by reason of the liquidation or re-deployment of deposits or other funds or for any other

reason whatsoever resulting from the repayment of such Loan or any part thereof on other than the last day of the applicable Interest Period. If any such change shall only affect a portion of such Lender's obligations under this Agreement which is, in the opinion of such Lender and the Agent, severable from the remainder of this Agreement so that the remainder of this Agreement may be continued in full force and effect without otherwise affecting any of the obligations of the Agent, the other Lenders or the Borrower hereunder, such Lender shall only declare its obligations under that portion so terminated.

- (b) If any Lender determines that any applicable law has made it unlawful, or that any Governmental Authority has asserted that it is unlawful, for any Lender or its applicable lending office to make, maintain or fund Loans the interest in respect of which is determined by reference to SOFR, Term SOFR or CDOR Rate or to determine or charge interest rates based upon SOFR, Term SOFR or CDOR Rate, then, upon notice thereof by such Lender to the Borrower (through the Agent or directly by the Operating Lender to the Borrower in the case of a notice made by the Operating Lender) (an "**Interest Rate Illegality Notice**"), (a) any obligation of such Lender to (i) if such notice is with respect to either SOFR or Term SOFR, make or Rollover SOFR Loans or to make a Conversion of U.S. Base Rate Loans to SOFR Loans, and/or (ii) if such notice is with respect to the CDOR Rate, make or Rollover CAD Benchmark Loans or to make a Conversion of Canadian Prime Rate Loans to CAD Benchmark Loans, shall be suspended, as the case may be, and (b) if such notice asserts the illegality of such Lender making or maintaining U.S. Base Rate Loans or Canadian Prime Rate Loans, the interest rate on which is determined by reference to the Adjusted Term SOFR component of the U.S. Base Rate or the CDOR Rate component of the Canadian Prime Rate, as applicable, the interest rate on which U.S. Base Rate Loans or Canadian Prime Rate Loans, as applicable, of such Lender shall, if necessary to avoid such illegality, be determined by the Agent or the Operating Lender, as the case may be, without reference to the Adjusted Term SOFR component of the U.S. Base Rate or the CDOR Rate component of the Canadian Prime Rate, as applicable, in each case until each affected Lender notifies, in the case of an Interest Rate Illegality Notice that affects Loans of such Lender under the Syndicated Facility, the Agent and the Borrower, or, in the case of an Interest Rate Illegality Notice that affects Loans of such Lender under the Operating Facility, the Borrower, as the case may be, that the circumstances giving rise to such determination no longer exist. Upon receipt of an Interest Rate Illegality Notice, the Borrower shall, upon demand from such Lender (with a copy to the Agent in the case of an Interest Rate Illegality Notice that had been delivered by a Lender to the Agent), prepay or, if applicable, make a Conversion of (i) all SOFR Loans of such Lender to U.S. Base Rate Loans, and (ii) all CAD Benchmark Loans of such Lender to Canadian Prime Rate Loans, as applicable (the interest rate on which U.S. Base Rate Loans and/or Canadian Prime Rate Loans, as applicable, shall, if necessary to avoid such illegality, be determined by the Agent or the Operating Lender, as the case may be, without reference to the Adjusted Term SOFR component of the U.S. Base Rate or the CDOR Rate component of the Canadian Prime Rate, as applicable), either on the last day of the Interest Period therefor, if such Lender may lawfully continue to maintain such SOFR Loan or CAD Benchmark Loans to such day, or immediately, if such Lender may not lawfully continue to maintain such SOFR Loan or CAD Benchmark Loans to such day. Upon any such prepayment or Conversion, the Borrower shall also pay accrued interest on the amount so prepaid or converted, together with any additional amounts required pursuant to Sections 13.2, 13.3, 13.4 or 13.6, as applicable.

13.6 Temporary Market Disruption – SOFR

Subject to Section 13.1, if, on or prior to the first day of any Interest Period for any SOFR Loan:

- (a) the Agent, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, or the Operating Lender, in the case of the Operating Facility (as the case may be), determines (which determination shall be conclusive and binding absent manifest error) that "Adjusted Term SOFR" cannot be determined pursuant to the definition thereof; or
- (b) the Lenders holding [redacted] of the Commitments of all Lenders determine that for any reason in connection with any request for a SOFR Loan or a Conversion thereto or a Rollover thereof that

Adjusted Term SOFR for any requested Interest Period with respect to a proposed SOFR Loan does not adequately and fairly reflect the cost to such Lenders of making and maintaining such Loan, and such Lenders have provided notice of such determination to the Agent,

the Agent (with respect to a determination made by the Agent pursuant to clause (a) above or with respect to any determination made pursuant to clause (b) above) will promptly so notify the Borrower and each Lender or the Operating Lender (with respect to a determination made by the Operating Lender pursuant to clause (a) above) will promptly so notify the Borrower. Upon notice thereof by the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) to the Borrower as aforesaid, any obligation of, in the case of a notice by the Agent pursuant to clause (a) above with respect to the Syndicated Facility, the Lenders, in the case of a notice by the Agent pursuant to clause (b) above, the Lenders under each of the Credit Facilities and, in the case of a notice by the Operating Lender pursuant to clause (a) above, the Operating Lender, to make SOFR Loans, and any right of the Borrower to continue SOFR Loans or to convert U.S. Base Rate Loans to SOFR Loans under such applicable Credit Facilities, shall be suspended (to the extent of the affected SOFR Loans or affected Interest Periods) until the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) (with respect to clause (b), at the instruction of Lenders to the Agent holding [redacted] of the Commitments of all Lenders) revokes such notice. Upon receipt of such notice, (i) the Borrower may revoke under the applicable Credit Facilities any pending request for a Drawdown of, Conversion to or Rollover of SOFR Loans (to the extent of the affected SOFR Loans or affected Interest Periods) or, failing that, the Borrower will be deemed to have under the applicable Credit Facilities converted any such request into a request for a Drawdown of or Conversion to U.S. Base Rate Loans in the amount specified therein and (ii) any outstanding affected SOFR Loans will, in respect of the applicable Credit Facilities, be deemed to have been converted into U.S. Base Rate Loans at the end of the applicable Interest Period. Upon any such Conversion, the Borrower shall also pay accrued interest on the amount so converted, together with any additional amounts required pursuant to Section 2.16(1). Subject to Section 13.1, if, in the case of the Syndicated Facility, the Agent or, in the case of the Operating Facility, the Operating Lender (as the case may be) determines (which determination shall be conclusive and binding absent manifest error) that "Adjusted Term SOFR" cannot be determined pursuant to the definition thereof on any given day, the interest rate on U.S. Base Rate Loans shall be determined by the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) without reference to clause (c) of the definition of "U.S. Base Rate" until the Agent or the Operating Lender (as the case may be) revokes such determination.

ARTICLE 14 – COSTS, EXPENSES AND INDEMNIFICATION

14.1 Costs and Expenses

The Borrower shall pay, within 30 days after notice from the Agent all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket costs and expenses of the Lenders, the Agent and the Co-Lead Arrangers, including reasonable and documented travel expenses of the Agent and the Co-Lead Arrangers, in connection with the Documents and the establishment and initial syndication of the Credit Facilities, including in connection with negotiation, preparation, printing, execution, delivery and administration of this Agreement and the other Documents whether or not any Drawdown has been made hereunder, and also including: (a) the reasonable and documented fees and out-of-pocket costs and expenses of Lenders' Counsel (on a solicitor-client full indemnity basis) with respect thereto and with respect to advising the Agent and the Lenders as to their rights and responsibilities under this Agreement and the other Documents and (b) any third party service providers in respect of the Platform. Except for ordinary expenses of the Lenders, the Operating Lender and the Agent relating to the day to day administration of this Agreement, the Borrower further agrees to pay within 30 days of demand by the Agent all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket costs and expenses in connection with the preparation or review of waivers, consents and amendments pertaining to this Agreement, and in connection with the establishment of the validity and enforceability of this Agreement and the preservation or enforcement of rights of the Lenders, the Operating Lender and the Agent under this Agreement and other Documents, including all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket costs and expenses sustained by the Lenders, the Operating Lender and the Agent as a result of any failure by the Borrower, any Subsidiary or any other person to perform or observe any of its obligations hereunder, under any other Document to which it is a party or in connection with any action, suit or proceeding relating thereto (whether or not an Indemnified Party is a party or subject thereto), together with interest thereon from and after such 30th day if such payment is not made by such time.

14.2 General Indemnity

In addition to any liability of the Borrower to any Lender or the Agent under any other provision hereof, the Borrower shall indemnify each Indemnified Party and hold each Indemnified Party harmless against any losses, claims, costs, damages or liabilities (including any expense or cost incurred in the liquidation and re-deployment of funds acquired to fund or maintain any portion of a Loan and reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses and reasonable and documented legal fees on a solicitor and his own client basis) incurred by the same as a result of or in connection with the Credit Facilities or the Documents, including as a result of or in connection with:

- (a) any cost or expense incurred by reason of the liquidation or re-deployment in whole or in part of deposits or other funds required by any Lender to fund any Bankers' Acceptance or to fund or maintain any Loan as a result of the Borrower's failure to complete a Drawdown or to make any payment, repayment or prepayment on the date required hereunder or specified by it in any notice given hereunder;
- (b) subject to permitted or deemed Rollovers and Conversions, the Borrower's failure to provide for the payment to the Agent for the account of the Lenders (or, in respect of the Operating Facility, to the Operating Lender for its own account) of the full principal amount of each Bankers' Acceptance on its maturity date;
- (c) the Borrower's failure to pay any other amount, including any interest or fee, due hereunder on its due date after the expiration of any applicable grace or notice periods (subject, however, to the interest obligations of the Borrower hereunder for overdue amounts);
- (d) the Borrower's repayment or prepayment of a SOFR Loan otherwise than on the last day of its Interest Period;
- (e) the prepayment of any outstanding Bankers' Acceptance before the maturity date of such Bankers' Acceptance;
- (f) the Borrower's failure to give any notice required to be given by it to the Agent or the Lenders hereunder;
- (g) the failure of the Borrower to make any other payment due hereunder;
- (h) any inaccuracy or incompleteness of the Borrower's representations and warranties contained in Article 9;
- (i) any failure of the Borrower to observe or fulfil its obligations under Article 10;
- (j) without limiting the foregoing, any inaccuracy or incompleteness of the Borrower's representations and warranties contained in Section 9.1(bb) hereof;
- (k) any failure of the Borrower to observe or fulfil any other Obligation not specifically referred to above; or
- (l) the occurrence of any Default or Event of Default in respect of the Borrower,

provided that this Section shall not apply to any losses, claims, costs, damages or liabilities that arise by reason of the gross negligence or wilful misconduct of the Indemnified Party claiming indemnity hereunder, as determined in a final, non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction. Further, for greater certainty, the provisions of this Section 14.2 shall not govern or apply to the Lender Financial Instruments or the Cash Management Documents or the performance thereof by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries (as applicable), which shall be governed by the respective terms and conditions thereof. The provisions of this Section shall survive repayment of the Obligations.

14.3 Environmental Indemnity

The Borrower shall indemnify and hold harmless the Indemnified Parties forthwith on demand by the Agent from and against any and all claims, suits, actions, debts, damages, costs, losses, liabilities, penalties, obligations, judgments, charges, expenses and disbursements (including all reasonable and documented legal fees and disbursements on a solicitor and his own client basis) of any nature whatsoever, suffered or incurred by the Indemnified Parties or any of them in connection with any Credit Facility, whether as beneficiaries under the Documents, as successors in interest of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, or voluntary transfer in lieu of foreclosure, or otherwise howsoever, with respect to any Environmental Claims relating to the property of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries arising under any Environmental Laws as a result of the past, present or future operations of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries (or any predecessor in interest to the Borrower or its Subsidiaries) relating to the property of the Borrower or its Subsidiaries, or the past, present or future condition of any part of the property of the Borrower or its Subsidiaries owned, operated or leased by the Borrower or its Subsidiaries (or any such predecessor in interest), including any liabilities arising as a result of any indemnity covering Environmental Claims given to any person by the Lenders or the Agent or a receiver, interim receiver, receiver manager or similar person appointed hereunder or under applicable law (collectively, the "**Indemnified Third Party**"); but excluding any Environmental Claims or liabilities relating thereto to the extent that such Environmental Claims or liabilities arise by reason of the gross negligence or wilful misconduct of the Indemnified Party or the Indemnified Third Party claiming indemnity hereunder, as determined in a final, non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction. The provisions of this Section shall survive the repayment of the Obligations.

14.4 Judgment Currency

(1) If for the purpose of obtaining or enforcing judgment against the Borrower in any court in any jurisdiction, it becomes necessary to convert into any other currency (such other currency being hereinafter in this Section referred to as the "**Judgment Currency**") an amount due in Canadian Dollars or United States Dollars under this Agreement, the conversion shall be made at the rate of exchange prevailing on the Banking Day immediately preceding:

- (a) the date of actual payment of the amount due, in the case of any proceeding in the courts of any jurisdiction that will give effect to such conversion being made on such date; or
- (b) the date on which the judgment or judicial order is given, in the case of any proceeding in the courts of any other jurisdiction (the date as of which such conversion is made pursuant to this Section being hereinafter in this Section referred to as the "**Judgment Conversion Date**").

(2) If, in the case of any proceeding in the court of any jurisdiction referred to in Section 14.4(1)(b), there is a change in the rate of exchange prevailing between the Judgment Conversion Date and the date of actual payment of the amount due, the Borrower shall pay such additional amount (if any) as may be necessary to ensure that the amount paid in the Judgment Currency, when converted at the rate of exchange prevailing on the date of payment, will produce the amount of Canadian Dollars or United States Dollars, as the case may be, which could have been purchased with the amount of Judgment Currency stipulated in the judgment or judicial order at the rate of exchange prevailing on the Judgment Conversion Date.

(3) Any amount due from the Borrower under the provisions of Section 14.4(2) shall be due as a separate debt and shall not be affected by judgment being obtained for any other amounts due under or in respect of this Agreement.

(4) The term "rate of exchange" in this Section 14.4 means the rate of exchange provided for in the definition of "Equivalent Amount" for Canadian interbank transactions in Canadian Dollars or United States Dollars, as the case may be, for the day in question.

14.5 Limits on Liability of Indemnified Parties

No Indemnified Party shall have any liability to the Borrower or any Subsidiary or any person asserting claims on behalf of, or in right of, the Borrower or any Subsidiary thereof in connection with or as a result of any Credit Facility, this Agreement or any other Document or any transaction contemplated hereby or thereby, except to the extent (and only to the extent) that any losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses incurred by the Borrower, such Subsidiary or other person are determined by a final non-appealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction to have (a) resulted solely by reason of the gross negligence or wilful misconduct of such Indemnified Party or (b) in respect only of a Lender, resulted from an intentional breach by a Lender of its obligations hereunder, including the intentional failure of such Lender to advance funds under its Commitment when all conditions precedent to a Drawdown have been satisfied. In any event, and notwithstanding the foregoing or any other provision hereof or of the other Documents to the contrary, no Indemnified Party shall be liable for any special, indirect, consequential or punitive damages in connection with or as a result of any Credit Facility, this Agreement or any other Document or any transaction contemplated hereby or thereby. For certainty, the provisions of this Section 14.5 shall not govern or apply to the liabilities of the Lenders, Hedging Affiliates or any Cash Manager, as the case may be, under the Lender Financial Instruments or the Cash Management Documents, as the case may be, which shall be governed by the respective terms and conditions thereof.

ARTICLE 15 – THE AGENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE CREDIT FACILITIES

15.1 Authorization and Action

(1) Each Lender hereby irrevocably appoints and authorizes the Agent to be its agent in its name and on its behalf to exercise such rights or powers granted to the Agent on behalf of the Lenders under this Agreement to the extent specifically provided herein and on the terms hereof, together with such powers as are reasonably incidental thereto and the Agent hereby accepts such appointment and authorization. As to any matters not expressly provided for by this Agreement, the Agent shall not be required to exercise any discretion or take any action, but, subject to Section 16.10, shall be required to act or to refrain from acting (and shall be fully protected in so acting or refraining from acting) upon the instructions of the Majority of the Lenders and such instructions shall be binding upon all Lenders; provided, however, that the Agent shall not be required to take any action which exposes the Agent to liability in such capacity or which could result in the Agent's incurring any costs and expenses, without provision being made for indemnity of the Agent by the Lenders against any loss, liability, cost or expense incurred, or to be incurred or which is contrary to this Agreement or applicable law.

(2) The Lenders agree that all decisions as to actions to be or not to be taken, as to consents or waivers to be given or not to be given, as to determinations to be made and otherwise in connection with this Agreement and the Documents, shall be made upon the decision of the Majority of the Lenders except in respect of a decision or determination where it is specifically provided in this Agreement that "all of the Lenders", "all Lenders" or "each of the Lenders" or words to similar effect, or the Agent alone, is to be responsible for same. Each of the Lenders shall be bound by and agrees to abide by and adopt all decisions made as aforesaid and covenants in all communications with the Borrower to act in concert and to join in the action, consent, waiver, determination or other matter decided as aforesaid.

(3) For certainty, the Agent is authorized to execute and deliver the Security, any Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement, any Royalty Subordination Agreement, the Boulder VTB Subordination Agreement and any document or instrument in connection therewith and perform its obligations under or in respect thereof.

15.2 Procedure for Making Loans under the Syndicated Facility

(1) The Agent shall make Loans under the Syndicated Facility available to the Borrower as required hereunder by debiting the account of the Agent to which the Lenders' Rateable Portions of such Loans have been credited in accordance with Section 2.11 (or causing such account to be debited) and, in the absence of other arrangements agreed to by the Agent and the Borrower in writing, by crediting the account of the Borrower or, at the expense of the Borrower, transferring (or causing to be transferred) like funds in accordance with the instructions of the Borrower as set forth in the Drawdown Notice, Rollover Notice or Conversion Notice, as the case may be, in respect of each Loan; provided that the obligation of the Agent hereunder to effect such a transfer shall be limited to

taking such steps as are commercially reasonable to implement such instructions, which steps once taken shall constitute conclusive and binding evidence that such funds were advanced hereunder in accordance with the provisions relating thereto and the Agent shall not be liable for any damages, claims or costs which may be suffered by the Borrower and occasioned by the failure of such Loan to reach the designated destination.

(2) Unless the Agent has been notified by a Lender at least one Banking Day prior to the Drawdown Date, Rollover Date or Conversion Date, as the case may be, requested by the Borrower that such Lender will not make available to the Agent its Rateable Portion of such Loan, the Agent may assume that such Lender has made or will make such portion of the Loan available to the Agent on the Drawdown Date, Rollover Date or Conversion Date, as the case may be, in accordance with the provisions hereof and the Agent may, but shall be in no way obligated to, in reliance upon such assumption, make available to the Borrower on such date a corresponding amount. If and to the extent such Lender shall not have so made its Rateable Portion of a Loan available to the Agent, such Lender agrees to pay to the Agent forthwith on demand such Lender's Rateable Portion of such Loan and all reasonable costs and expenses incurred by the Agent in connection therewith together with interest thereon (at the rate payable hereunder by the Borrower in respect of such Loan or, in the case of funds made available in anticipation of a Lender remitting proceeds of a Bankers' Acceptance, at the rate of interest per annum applicable to Canadian Prime Rate Loans) for each day from the date such amount is made available to the Borrower until the date such amount is paid to the Agent; provided, however, that notwithstanding such obligation if such Lender fails to so pay, the Borrower covenants and agrees that, without prejudice to any rights the Borrower may have against such Lender, it shall repay such amount to the Agent forthwith after demand therefor by the Agent. The amount payable to the Agent pursuant hereto shall be set forth in a certificate delivered by the Agent to such Lender and the Borrower (which certificate shall contain reasonable details of how the amount payable is calculated) and shall be conclusive and binding evidence thereof, in the absence of manifest error. If such Lender makes the payment to the Agent required herein, the amount so paid shall constitute such Lender's Rateable Portion of the Loan for purposes of this Agreement. The failure of any Lender to make its Rateable Portion of any Loan shall not relieve any other Lender of its obligation, if any, hereunder to make its Rateable Portion of such Loan on the Drawdown Date, Rollover Date or Conversion Date, as the case may be; for certainty, without derogating from the operation of Section 15.14 or Section 16.2, no Lender shall be responsible for the obligations of any other Lender hereunder.

15.3 Remittance of Payments

Except for amounts payable to the Agent for its own account, forthwith after receipt of any repayment pursuant hereto or payment of interest or fees pursuant to Article 5 or payment pursuant to Article 8, the Agent shall remit to each Lender its Rateable Portion of such payment; provided that, if the Agent, on the assumption that it will receive on any particular date a payment of principal, interest or fees hereunder, remits to a Lender its Rateable Portion of such payment and the Borrower fails to make such payment, each of the Lenders on receipt of such remittance from the Agent agrees to repay to the Agent forthwith on demand an amount equal to the remittance together with all reasonable costs and expenses incurred by the Agent in connection therewith and interest thereon at the rate and calculated in the manner applicable to the Loan in respect of which such payment is made, or, in the case of a remittance in respect of Bankers' Acceptances, at the rate of interest applicable to Canadian Prime Rate Loans for each day from the date such amount is remitted to the Lenders without prejudice to any right such Lender may have against the Borrower. The exact amount of the repayment required to be made by the Lenders pursuant hereto shall be as set forth in a certificate delivered by the Agent to each Lender, which certificate shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes in the absence of manifest error.

15.4 Redistribution of Payment

Each Lender agrees that:

- (a) if it exercises any security against or right of counter claim, set-off or banker's lien or similar right with respect to the property of the Borrower or any Subsidiary or if under any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law it receives a secured claim and collateral for which it is, or is entitled to exercise any set-off against, a debt owed by it to the Borrower or any Subsidiary, it shall apportion the amount thereof proportionately between:

- (i) such Lender's Rateable Portion of all outstanding Obligations owing by the Borrower (including the face amounts at maturity of Bankers' Acceptances accepted by the Lenders), which amounts shall be applied in accordance with Section 15.4(b); and
- (ii) amounts otherwise owed to such Lender by the Borrower and its Subsidiaries,

provided that (A) any cash collateral account held by such Lender as collateral for a letter of credit (other than a Letter of Credit) or bankers' acceptance (other than a Bankers' Acceptance) issued or accepted by such Lender on behalf of the Borrower or a Subsidiary which is Permitted Debt may be applied by such Lender to such amounts owed by the Borrower or a Subsidiary, as the case may be, to such Lender pursuant to such letter of credit or in respect of any such bankers' acceptance without apportionment and (B) these provisions do not apply to:

- (w) a right or claim which arises or exists in respect of a loan or other debt in respect of which the relevant Lender holds a Security Interest which is a Permitted Encumbrance;
 - (x) cash collateral or Approved Securities provided, or the exercise of rights of counterclaim, set-off or banker's lien or similar rights, in respect of Cash Management Arrangements for the Borrower and its Subsidiaries;
 - (y) any reduction in amounts owing by a Lender (or its Hedging Affiliates) to the Borrower or a Subsidiary upon the termination of Lender Financial Instruments entered into with the relevant Lender (or its Hedging Affiliates); or
 - (z) any payment to which a Lender is entitled as a result of any credit default swap, credit derivative or other form of credit protection obtained by such Lender;
- (b) if, in the aforementioned circumstances, a Lender, through the exercise of a right, or the receipt of a secured claim described in Section 15.4(a) above or otherwise, receives payment of a proportion of the aggregate amount of Obligations due to it hereunder which is greater than the proportion received by any other Lender in respect of the aggregate Obligations due to the Lenders (having regard to the respective Rateable Portions of the Lenders), such Lender receiving such proportionately greater payment shall purchase, on a non-recourse basis at par, and make payment for a participation (which shall be deemed to have been done simultaneously with receipt of such payment) in the outstanding Loans of the other Lender or Lenders so that their respective receipts shall be *pro rata* to their respective Rateable Portions; provided, however, that if all or part of such proportionately greater payment received by such purchasing Lender shall be recovered by or on behalf of the Borrower or any trustee, liquidator, interim receiver, receiver or receiver manager or person with analogous powers from the purchasing Lender, such purchase shall be rescinded and the purchase price paid for such participation shall be returned to the extent of such recovery, but without interest unless the purchasing Lender is required to pay interest on such amount, in which case each selling Lender shall reimburse the purchasing Lender *pro rata* in relation to the amounts received by it. Such Lender shall exercise its rights in respect of such secured claim in a manner consistent with the rights of the Lenders entitled under this Section to share in the benefits of any recovery on such secured claims; and
- (c) if a Lender does, or is required to do, any act or thing permitted by Section 15.4(a) or (b) above, it shall promptly provide full particulars thereof to the Agent.

15.5 Duties and Obligations

Neither the Agent nor any of its directors, officers, agents or employees (and, for purposes hereof, the Agent shall be deemed to be contracting as agent and trustee for and on behalf of such persons) shall be liable to the Lenders for any action taken or omitted to be taken by it or them under or in connection with this Agreement except for its or

their own gross negligence or wilful misconduct, as determined in a final, non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Agent:

- (a) may assume that there has been no assignment or transfer by any means by the Lenders of their rights hereunder, unless and until the Agent receives written notice of the assignment thereof from such Lender and the Agent receives from the assignee an executed Assignment Agreement providing, *inter alia*, that such assignee is bound hereby as it would have been if it had been an original Lender party hereto;
- (b) may consult with legal counsel (including receiving the opinions of Borrower's counsel and Lenders' Counsel required hereunder), independent public accountants and other experts selected by it and shall not be liable for any action taken or omitted to be taken in good faith by it in accordance with the advice of such counsel, accountants or experts;
- (c) shall incur no liability under or in respect of this Agreement by acting upon any notice, consent, certificate or other instrument or writing (which may be by telegram, cable, telecopier, electronic mail or other electronic means of communication which may generate a written record thereof) believed by it to be genuine and signed or sent by the proper party or parties or by acting upon any representation or warranty of the Borrower made or deemed to be made hereunder;
- (d) may assume that no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing unless it has actual knowledge to the contrary;
- (e) may rely as to any matters of fact which might reasonably be expected to be within the knowledge of any person upon a certificate signed by or on behalf of such person;
- (f) shall not be bound to disclose to any other person any information relating to the Borrower, any of its Subsidiaries or any other person if such disclosure would or might in its opinion constitute a breach of any applicable law, be in default of the provisions hereof or be otherwise actionable at the suit of any other person; and
- (g) may refrain from exercising any right, power or discretion vested in it which would or might in its reasonable opinion be contrary to any applicable law or any directive or otherwise render it liable to any person, and may do anything which is in its reasonable opinion necessary to comply with such applicable law.

Further, the Agent (i) does not make any warranty or representation to any Lender nor shall it be responsible to any Lender for the accuracy or completeness of the representations and warranties of the Borrower herein or the data made available to any of the Lenders in connection with the negotiation of this Agreement, or for any statements, warranties or representations (whether written or oral) made in or in connection with this Agreement; (ii) shall not have any duty to ascertain or to enquire as to the performance or observance of any of the terms, covenants or conditions of this Agreement on the part of the Borrower or to inspect the property (including the books and records) of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries; and (iii) shall not be responsible to any Lender for the due execution, legality, validity, enforceability, genuineness, sufficiency or value of this Agreement or any instrument or document furnished pursuant hereto.

15.6 Prompt Notice to the Lenders

Notwithstanding any other provision herein, the Agent agrees to provide to the Lenders, with copies where appropriate, all information, notices and reports required to be given to the Agent by the Borrower, promptly upon receipt of same (and in any event no later than 5 Banking Days after receipt of the same), excepting therefrom information and notices relating solely to the role of Agent hereunder.

15.7 Agent's and Lenders' Authorities

With respect to its Commitments and the Drawdowns, Rollovers, Conversions and Loans made by it as a Lender, the Agent shall have the same rights and powers under this Agreement as any other Lender and may exercise the same as though it were not the Agent. Subject to the express provisions hereof relating to the rights and obligations of the Agent and the Lenders in such capacities, the Agent and each Lender may accept deposits from, lend money to, and generally engage in any kind of business with the Borrower and its Subsidiaries or any corporation or other entity owned or controlled by any of them and any person which may do business with any of them without any duties to account therefor to the Agent or the other Lenders and, in the case of the Agent, all as if it was not the Agent hereunder.

15.8 Lender Credit Decision

It is understood and agreed by each Lender that it has itself been, and will continue to be, solely responsible for making its own independent appraisal of and investigations into the financial condition, creditworthiness, condition, affairs, status and nature of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries. Each Lender represents to the Agent that it is engaged in the business of making and evaluating the risks associated with commercial revolving loans or term loans, or both, to corporations similar to the Borrower, that it can bear the economic risks related to the transaction contemplated hereby, that it has had access to all information deemed necessary by it in making such decision (provided that this representation shall not impair its rights against the Borrower) and that it is entering into this Agreement in the ordinary course of its commercial lending business. Accordingly, each Lender confirms with the Agent that it has not relied, and will not hereafter rely, on the Agent (a) to check or enquire on its behalf into the adequacy, accuracy or completeness of any information provided by the Borrower or any other person under or in connection with this Agreement or the transactions herein contemplated (whether or not such information has been or is hereafter distributed to such Lender by the Agent), or (b) to assess or keep under review on its behalf the financial condition, creditworthiness, condition, affairs, status or nature of the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries. Each Lender acknowledges that a copy of this Agreement has been made available to it for review and each Lender acknowledges that it is satisfied with the form and substance of this Agreement. Each Lender hereby covenants and agrees that, subject to Section 15.4, it will not make any arrangements with the Borrower for the satisfaction of any Loans or other Obligations without the consent of all the other Lenders.

15.9 Indemnification of Agent

The Lenders hereby agree to indemnify the Agent (to the extent not reimbursed by the Borrower), on a *pro rata* basis in accordance with their respective Commitments as a proportion of the aggregate of all outstanding Commitments, from and against any and all liabilities, obligations, losses, damages, penalties, actions, judgments, suits, costs, expenses or disbursements of any kind or nature whatsoever which may be imposed on, incurred by, or asserted against the Agent in any way relating to or arising out of this Agreement or any action taken or omitted by the Agent under or in respect of this Agreement in its capacity as Agent; provided that no Lender shall be liable for any portion of such liabilities, obligations, losses, damages, penalties, actions, judgments, suits, costs expenses or disbursements resulting from the Agent's gross negligence or wilful misconduct, as determined in a final, non-appealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction. If the Borrower subsequently repays all or a portion of such amounts to the Agent, then the Agent shall reimburse the Lenders their *pro rata* shares (according to the amounts paid by them in respect thereof) of the amounts received from the Borrower. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Lender agrees to reimburse the Agent promptly upon demand for its portion (determined as above) of any out-of-pocket expenses (including counsel fees) incurred by the Agent in connection with the preservation of any rights of the Agent or the Lenders under, or the enforcement of, or legal advice in respect of rights or responsibilities under, this Agreement, to the extent that the Agent is not reimbursed for such expenses by the Borrower.

15.10 Successor Agent

The Agent may, as hereinafter provided, resign at any time by giving 45 days' prior written notice thereof to the Lenders and the Borrower. Upon any such resignation, the Lenders shall, after soliciting the views of the Borrower, have the right to appoint another Lender as a successor agent (the "**Successor Agent**") who shall be acceptable to the Borrower, acting reasonably. If no Successor Agent shall have been so appointed by the Lenders and shall have accepted such appointment within 30 days after the retiring Agent's giving of notice of resignation, then the retiring Agent shall, on behalf of the Lenders, appoint a Successor Agent who shall be a Lender acceptable to the Borrower,

acting reasonably. Upon the acceptance of any appointment as Agent hereunder by a Successor Agent, such Successor Agent shall thereupon succeed to and become vested with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring Agent, and the retiring Agent shall thereupon be discharged from its further duties and obligations as Agent under this Agreement. After any retiring Agent's resignation hereunder as Agent, the provisions of this Article shall continue to enure to its benefit as to any actions taken or omitted to be taken by it as Agent or in its capacity as Agent while it was Agent hereunder.

15.11 Taking and Enforcement of Remedies

Each of the Lenders hereby acknowledges that, to the extent permitted by applicable law, the remedies provided hereunder to the Lenders are for the benefit of the Lenders collectively and acting together and not severally and further acknowledges that its rights hereunder are to be exercised not severally, but collectively by the Agent upon the decision of the Majority of the Lenders regardless of whether acceleration was made pursuant to Section 12.2. Notwithstanding any of the provisions contained herein, each of the Lenders hereby covenants and agrees that it shall not be entitled to individually take any action with respect to any Credit Facility, including any acceleration under Section 12.2, but that any such action shall be taken only by the Agent with the prior written agreement or instructions of the Majority of the Lenders; provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing, if (i) the Agent, having been adequately indemnified against costs and expenses of so doing by the Lenders, shall fail to carry out any such instructions of a Majority of the Lenders, any Lender may do so on behalf of all Lenders and shall, in so doing, be entitled to the benefit of all protections given the Agent hereunder or elsewhere, and (ii) in the absence of instructions from the Majority of the Lenders and where in the sole opinion of the Agent the exigencies of the situation warrant such action, the Agent may without notice to or consent of the Lenders or any of them take such action on behalf of the Lenders as it deems appropriate or desirable in the interests of the Lenders. Each of the Lenders hereby further covenants and agrees that upon any such written consent being given by the Majority of the Lenders, or upon a Lender or the Agent taking action as aforesaid, it shall cooperate fully with the Lender or the Agent to the extent requested by the Lender or the Agent in the collective realization including and, if applicable, the appointment of a receiver, interim receiver or receiver and manager to act for their collective benefit. Each Lender covenants and agrees to do all acts and things and to make, execute and deliver all agreements and other instruments, including any instruments necessary to effect any registrations, so as to fully carry out the intent and purpose of this Section; and each of the Lenders hereby covenants and agrees that, subject to Section 5.7, Section 10.2(b), Section 15.4 and Section 15.14, it has not heretofore and shall not seek, take, accept or receive any security for any of the obligations and liabilities of the Borrower hereunder or under any other document, instrument, writing or agreement ancillary hereto and shall not enter into any agreement with any of the parties hereto or thereto relating in any manner whatsoever to the Credit Facilities, unless all of the Lenders shall at the same time obtain the benefit of any such security or agreement.

With respect to any enforcement, realization or the taking of any rights or remedies to enforce the rights of the Lenders hereunder, the Agent shall be a trustee for each Lender, and all monies received from time to time by the Agent in respect of the foregoing shall be held in trust and shall be trust assets within the meaning of applicable bankruptcy or insolvency legislation and shall be considered for the purposes of such legislation to be held separate and apart from the other assets of the Agent, and each Lender shall be entitled to their Rateable Portion of such monies. In its capacity as trustee, the Agent shall be obliged to exercise only the degree of care it would exercise in the conduct and management of its own business and in accordance with its usual practice concurrently employed or hereafter instituted for other substantial commercial loans.

15.12 Reliance Upon Agent

The Borrower shall be entitled to rely upon any certificate, notice or other document or other advice, statement or instruction provided to it by the Agent pursuant to this Agreement, and the Borrower shall generally be entitled to deal with the Agent with respect to matters under this Agreement which the Agent is authorized to deal with without any obligation whatsoever to satisfy itself as to the authority of the Agent to act on behalf of the Lenders and without any liability whatsoever to the Lenders for relying upon any certificate, notice or other document or other advice, statement or instruction provided to it by the Agent, notwithstanding any lack of authority of the Agent to provide the same.

15.13 No Liability of Agent

The Agent shall have no responsibility or liability to the Borrower on account of the failure of any Lender to perform its obligations hereunder or under any other Document (unless such failure was caused, in whole or in part, by the Agent's failure to observe or perform its obligations hereunder or under such other Document (as applicable)), or to any Lender on account of the failure of the Borrower or any Lender to perform its obligations hereunder or under any other Document.

15.14 The Agent, Fronting Lender and Defaulting Lenders

(1) Each Defaulting Lender shall be required to provide to the Agent cash in an amount, as shall be determined from time to time by the Agent or the Fronting Lender, as the case may be, in its discretion, equal to all obligations of such Defaulting Lender to the Agent or the Fronting Lender, as the case may be, that are owing or may become owing pursuant to this Agreement, including such Defaulting Lender's obligation to pay its Rateable Portion of any indemnification, reimbursement or expense reimbursement amounts not paid by the Borrower. Such cash shall be held by the Agent in one or more cash collateral accounts, which accounts shall be in the name of the Agent and shall not be required to be interest bearing. The Agent shall and shall be entitled to apply the foregoing cash in accordance with Section 15.14(3), in the case of amounts owing to the Agent, or to pay the amounts owing to the Fronting Lender from the Defaulting Lender, in the case of amounts owing to the Fronting Lender pursuant hereto (including pursuant to Section 7.7).

(2) In addition to the indemnity and reimbursement obligations noted in Section 15.9, the Lenders agree to indemnify the Agent (to the extent not reimbursed by the Borrower and without limiting the obligations of the Borrower hereunder) rateably according to their respective Rateable Portions (and in calculating the Rateable Portion of a Lender, ignoring the Commitments of Defaulting Lenders) any amount that a Defaulting Lender fails to pay the Agent and which is due and owing to the Agent pursuant to Section 15.9. Each Defaulting Lender agrees to indemnify each other Lender for any amounts paid by such Lender and which would otherwise be payable by the Defaulting Lender.

(3) The Agent shall be entitled to set-off and/or withhold from any Defaulting Lender's Rateable Portion of all payments received from the Borrower against such Defaulting Lender's obligations to make payments and fund Loans required to be made by it and to purchase participations required to be purchased by it in each case under this Agreement and the other Documents. To the extent permitted by law, the Agent shall be entitled to withhold and deposit in one or more non-interest bearing cash collateral accounts in the name of the Agent all amounts (whether principal, interest, fees or otherwise) received by the Agent and due to a Defaulting Lender pursuant to this Agreement, for so long as such Lender is a Defaulting Lender, which amounts shall be used by the Agent:

- (a) first, to reimburse the Agent for any amounts owing to it, in its capacity as Agent, by such Defaulting Lender pursuant to any Document;
- (b) second, to the payment, on a pro rata basis, of any amounts owing by such Defaulting Lender to the Fronting Lender hereunder;
- (c) third, to the reimbursement, on a *pro rata* basis, of any indemnity amounts owing by such Defaulting Lender pursuant to Section 15.14(2);
- (d) fourth, to repay on a *pro rata* basis the incremental portion of any Loans made by a Lender pursuant to Section 16.2(4) in order to fund a shortfall created by a Defaulting Lender and, upon receipt of such repayment, each such Lender shall be deemed to have assigned to the Defaulting Lender such incremental portion of such Loans;
- (e) fifth, to cash collateralize all other obligations of such Defaulting Lender to the Agent or the Fronting Lender owing pursuant to this Agreement in such amount as shall be determined from time to time by the Agent or the Fronting Lender, each in its discretion, including such Defaulting

Lender's obligation to pay its Rateable Portion of any indemnification, reimbursement or expense reimbursement amounts not paid by the Borrower; and

- (f) sixth, to fund from time to time the Defaulting Lender's Rateable Portion of Loans,

provided that any such funds in excess of such Defaulting Lender's defaulted obligations shall be paid to the Defaulting Lender.

(4) For greater certainty and in addition to the foregoing, neither the Agent nor any of its Affiliates nor any of their respective shareholders, officers, directors, employees, agents or representatives shall be liable to any Lender (including a Defaulting Lender) for any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with amounts payable by the Borrower to a Defaulting Lender and received and deposited by the Agent in a cash collateral account and applied in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, save and except for the gross negligence or wilful misconduct of the Agent as determined by a final non-appealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction.

(5) If any Letters of Credit are outstanding at the time a Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender (such Defaulting Lender's Rateable Portion of the Outstanding Principal of such Letters of Credit is the "**Defaulting Lender Exposure**"), then:

- (a) to the extent the Defaulting Lender has not provided cash collateral for its Defaulting Lender Exposure pursuant to Sections 15.14(1) and 15.14(3)(e) above, such Defaulting Lender Exposure shall be reallocated among the non-Defaulting Lenders for the purposes of Section 7.7 in accordance with their respective Rateable Portions (disregarding any Defaulting Lender's Commitment) but, for each non-Defaulting Lender, only to the extent that the sum of (i) any non-Defaulting Lender's Rateable Portion of all outstanding Loans, plus (ii) such non-Defaulting Lender's rateable share (after giving effect to the reallocation contemplated herein) of the Defaulting Lender Exposure, does not exceed such non-Defaulting Lender's Commitment;
- (b) if the reallocation described in Section 15.14(5)(a) above cannot, or can only partially, be effected, the Borrower shall within one Banking Day following notice by the Fronting Lender prepay outstanding Letters of Credit (by the provision of cash collateral in accordance with Section 2.16(2)) to the extent necessary to allow a full reallocation of the Defaulting Lender Exposure as aforesaid; and
- (c) if the Rateable Portions of the non-Defaulting Lenders are reallocated pursuant to this Section 15.14(5), then the issuance fees payable to the Lenders pursuant to Section 7.8 shall be adjusted to give effect to such reallocations in accordance with each such non-Defaulting Lender's Rateable Portions.

(6) So long as any Lender is a Defaulting Lender, the Fronting Lender shall not be required to issue any Letters of Credit unless the Fronting Lender is satisfied that the related exposure will be 100% covered by the Commitments of non-Defaulting Lenders and/or cash collateralized in accordance with this Section 15.14, and participating interests in any such newly issued Letter of Credit shall be allocated among non-Defaulting Lenders in a manner consistent with Section 15.14(5)(a) or 16.2(4), as applicable.

15.15 Article for Benefit of Agent and Lenders

The provisions of this Article 15 which relate to the rights and obligations of the Lenders to each other or to the rights and obligations between the Agent and the Lenders shall be for the exclusive benefit of the Agent and the Lenders, and, except to the extent provided in Sections 15.1, 15.2, 15.6, 15.10, 15.11, 15.12, 15.13, 15.14 and this Section 15.15, the Borrower shall not have any rights or obligations thereunder or be entitled to rely for any purpose upon such provisions. Any Lender may waive in writing any right or rights which it may have against the Agent or the other Lenders hereunder without the consent of or notice to the Borrower.

15.16 Erroneous Payments by Agent

(1) If the Agent notifies a Lender or other Secured Party, or any person who has received funds on behalf of a Lender or other Secured Party under or pursuant to any of the Secured Documents (any such Lender, other Secured Party or other recipient, a "**Payment Recipient**") that the Agent has determined in its sole discretion (whether or not after receipt of any notice under the immediately succeeding clause (2)) that any funds received by such Payment Recipient from the Agent or any of its Affiliates were erroneously or mistakenly transmitted or paid to, or otherwise erroneously or mistakenly received by, such Payment Recipient (whether or not known to such Lender, other Secured Party or other Payment Recipient on its behalf) (any such funds, whether received as a payment, prepayment or repayment of principal, interest, fees, distribution or otherwise, individually and collectively, an "**Erroneous Payment**") and demands the return of such Erroneous Payment (or a portion thereof), such Erroneous Payment shall at all times remain the property of the Agent and shall be segregated by the Payment Recipient and held in trust for the benefit of the Agent, and such Lender or other Secured Party shall (or, with respect to any Payment Recipient who received such funds on its behalf, shall cause such Payment Recipient to) promptly, but in no event later than two Banking Days thereafter, return to the Agent the amount of any such Erroneous Payment (or portion thereof) as to which such a demand was made, in same day funds (in the currency so received), together with interest thereon in respect of each day from and including the date such Erroneous Payment (or portion thereof) was received by such Payment Recipient to the date such amount is repaid to the Agent in same day funds at the greater of (x) in respect of an Erroneous Payment in United States Dollars, the Federal Funds Rate and, in respect of an Erroneous Payment in Canadian Dollars at a fluctuating rate per annum equal to the overnight rate at which Canadian Dollars may be borrowed by the Agent in the interbank market in an amount comparable to such Erroneous Payment (as determined by the Agent) and (y) a rate determined by the Agent in accordance with banking industry rules or prevailing market practice for interbank compensation from time to time in effect. A notice of the Agent to any Payment Recipient under this Section 15.16(1) shall be conclusive, absent manifest error.

(2) Without limiting the immediately preceding Section 15.16(1), each Lender or other Secured Party, or any person who has received funds on behalf of a Lender or other Secured Party under or pursuant to any of the Secured Documents, hereby further agrees that if it receives a payment, prepayment or repayment (whether received as a payment, prepayment or repayment of principal, interest, fees, distribution or otherwise) from the Agent (or any of its Affiliates) (x) that is in a different amount than, or on a different date from, that specified in a notice of payment, prepayment or repayment sent by the Agent (or any of its Affiliates) with respect to such payment, prepayment or repayment, (y) that was not preceded or accompanied by a notice of payment, prepayment or repayment sent by the Agent (or any of its Affiliates), or (z) that such Lender or other Secured Party, or other such recipient, otherwise becomes aware was transmitted, paid, or received, in error or by mistake (in whole or in part) in each case:

- (a) (i) in the case of immediately preceding clauses (x) or (y), an error shall be presumed to have been made (absent express written confirmation from the Agent to the contrary) or (ii) an error has been made (in the case of immediately preceding clause (z)), in each case, with respect to such payment, prepayment or repayment; and
- (b) such Lender or other Secured Party shall (and shall cause any other recipient that receives funds on its respective behalf to) promptly (and, in all events, within one Banking Day of its knowledge of such error) notify the Agent of its receipt of such payment, prepayment or repayment, the details thereof (in reasonable detail) and that it is so notifying the Agent pursuant to this Section 15.16(2).

(3) Each Lender or other Secured Party hereby authorizes the Agent to set-off, net and apply any and all amounts at any time owing to such Lender or other Secured Party under any Secured Document, or otherwise payable or distributable by the Agent to such Lender or other Secured Party from any source, against any amount due to the Agent under Section 15.16(1) or under the indemnification provisions of this Agreement.

(4) In the event that an Erroneous Payment (or portion thereof) is not recovered by the Agent for any reason, after demand therefor by the Agent in accordance with the immediately preceding Section 15.16(1), from any Lender that has received such Erroneous Payment (or portion thereof) (and/or from any Payment Recipient who received such Erroneous Payment (or portion thereof) on its behalf) (such unrecovered amount, an "**Erroneous Payment Return Deficiency**"), upon the Agent's notice to such Lender at any time, (i) such Lender shall be deemed to have assigned its Loans (but not any of its Commitments) under any of the applicable Credit Facilities with respect

to which such Erroneous Payment was made (the "**Erroneous Payment Impacted Facilities**") in an amount equal to the Erroneous Payment Return Deficiency (or such lesser amount as the Agent may specify) (such assignment of the Loans (but not any of its Commitments) of the Erroneous Payment Impacted Facilities, the "**Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment**") at par plus any accrued and unpaid interest (with the assignment fee to be waived by the Agent in such instance), and is hereby (together with the Borrower) deemed to execute and deliver an Assignment Agreement with respect to such Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment, (ii) the Agent as the assignee Lender shall be deemed to acquire the Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment, (iii) upon such deemed acquisition, the Agent as the assignee Lender shall become a Lender hereunder with respect to such Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment and the assigning Lender shall cease to be a Lender hereunder with respect to such Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment, excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, its obligations under the indemnification provisions of this Agreement and any of its applicable Commitments which shall survive as to such assigning Lender and (iv) the Agent may reflect in the Register its ownership interest in the Loans subject to the Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment. Subject to Section 16.6, the Agent may, in its discretion, sell any Loans acquired pursuant to an Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment and, upon receipt of the proceeds of such sale, the Erroneous Payment Return Deficiency owing by the applicable Lender shall be reduced by the net proceeds of the sale of such Loan (or portion thereof), and the Agent shall retain all other rights, remedies and claims against such Lender (and/or against any recipient that receives funds on its respective behalf). For the avoidance of doubt, no Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment will reduce the Commitments of any Lender under any of the Credit Facilities and such Commitments under such Credit Facilities shall remain available in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. In addition, each party hereto agrees that, except to the extent that the Agent has sold a Loan (or portion thereof) acquired pursuant to an Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment, and irrespective of whether the Agent may be equitably subrogated, the Agent shall be contractually subrogated to all the rights and interests of the applicable Lender or other Secured Party under the applicable Secured Documents with respect to each Erroneous Payment Return Deficiency (the "**Erroneous Payment Subrogation Rights**").

(5) The parties hereto agree that an Erroneous Payment shall not pay, prepay, repay, discharge or otherwise satisfy any Secured Obligations owed by the Borrower or any Subsidiary, except, in each case, to the extent such Erroneous Payment is, and solely with respect to the amount of such Erroneous Payment that is, comprised of funds received by the Agent from (i) the Borrower or any Subsidiary or (ii) the proceeds of realization from the enforcement of one or more of the Secured Documents against or in respect of one or more of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries; provided that, in each case, such funds were received by the Agent for the purpose of discharging such Secured Obligations.

(6) To the extent permitted by applicable law, no Payment Recipient shall assert any right or claim to an Erroneous Payment, and hereby waives, and is deemed to waive, any claim, counterclaim, defense or right of set-off or recoupment with respect to any demand, claim or counterclaim by the Agent for the return of any Erroneous Payment received, including waiver of any defense based on "discharge for value", "good consideration" for the Erroneous Payment or change of position by such Payment Recipient, any defense that the intent of the Agent was that such Payment Recipient retain the Erroneous Payment in all events, or any doctrine or defense similar to any of the foregoing.

(7) Each party's obligations, agreements and waivers under this Section 15.16 shall survive the resignation or replacement of the Agent, or any assignment or transfer of rights or obligations by, or the replacement of, a Lender or an Affiliate thereof the termination of the Commitments and/or the repayment, satisfaction or discharge of all Secured Obligations (or any portion thereof) under any Secured Document.

(8) For purposes of this Section 15.16, each Lender:

(a) agrees it is executing and delivering this Agreement with respect to this Section 15.16 both on its own behalf and as agent for and on behalf of its Affiliates referred to in this Section 15.16 and any person receiving funds under or pursuant to any of the Secured Documents on behalf of such Lender or any of such Affiliates;

(b) represents, warrants, covenants and agrees that its Affiliates referred to in this Section 15.16 and any person receiving funds under or pursuant to any of the Secured Documents on behalf of such Lender or any of such Affiliates are bound by the provisions of this Section 15.16; and

- (c) agrees that any matter or thing done or omitted to be done by such Lender, its Affiliates, or any person receiving funds under or pursuant to any of the Secured Documents on behalf of such Lender or any of such Affiliates which are the subject of this Section 15.16 will be binding upon such Lender and such Lender does hereby indemnify and save the Agent and its Affiliates harmless from any and all losses, expenses, claims, demands or other liabilities of the Agent and its Affiliates resulting from the failure of such Lender, its Affiliates or such persons to comply with their obligations under and in respect of this Section 15.16.

(9) Except pursuant to an Erroneous Payment Deficiency Assignment or the exercise of any Erroneous Payments Subrogation Rights (or any equivalent equitable subrogation rights), the Borrower shall not have any liability to the Agent for any Erroneous Payment or any interest, loss, cost or damages related thereto or arising therefrom under any provision of this Agreement or any other Document or under any legal principle or theory, whether arising by law or in equity.

ARTICLE 16– GENERAL

16.1 Exchange and Confidentiality of Information

(1) The Borrower agrees that the Agent and each Lender may provide any assignee or participant or any bona fide prospective assignee or participant pursuant to Sections 16.6 or 16.7 with any information concerning the Borrower and its Subsidiaries provided such party agrees in writing with the Agent or such Lender for the benefit of the Borrower to be bound by a like duty of confidentiality to that contained in this Section.

(2) Each of the Agent and the Lenders acknowledges the confidential nature of the financial, operational and other information and data provided and to be provided to them by the Borrower pursuant to the Documents (the "**Information**") and agrees to use all reasonable efforts to prevent the disclosure thereof; provided, however, that:

- (a) the Agent, the Lenders and Hedging Affiliates may disclose all or any part of the Information to any of the Junior Debt Creditors to the extent permitted or required to do so pursuant to any Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement;
- (b) the Agent and the Lenders may disclose all or any part of the Information if, in their reasonable opinion, such disclosure is required (i) by their respective auditors or (ii) in connection with any actual or threatened judicial, administrative or governmental proceedings, including proceedings initiated under or in respect of this Agreement or upon the request of its independent auditors or a Governmental Authority having jurisdiction over it;
- (c) the Agent and the Lenders shall incur no liability in respect of any Information required to be disclosed by any applicable law or regulation, or by applicable treaty, order, policy or directive having the force of law, to the extent of such requirement;
- (d) the Agent and each Lender may disclose the Information to any Governmental Authority (including any self-regulatory agency or authority) having jurisdiction over it (i) upon the request thereof or (ii) where it considers such disclosure to be advisable or appropriate, acting reasonably;
- (e) the Agent and each Lender may provide any Affiliate thereof with the Information to the extent reasonably required to be disclosed thereto; provided that each such Affiliate shall be under a like duty of confidentiality to that contained in this Section 16.1 and further provided that the Agent or the Lender, as the case may be, providing the Information shall be responsible for any breach by its Affiliate of the aforementioned like duty of confidentiality;
- (f) the Agent and the Lenders may provide Lenders' Counsel and their other agents and professional advisors with any Information; provided that such persons shall be under a like duty of confidentiality to that contained in this Section;

- (g) the Agent and each Lender may disclose Information to market data collectors, any insurance or reinsurance company thereof for the purpose of maintaining insurance, to any person providing administration and settlement services in respect of this Agreement, to any actual or prospective counterparty to any securitization, swap or derivative transaction relating to the Borrower or any Subsidiary and to any credit rating agency solely in connection with a review, determination or other matter related to the credit ratings of such Lender and not, for certainty, of the Borrower and to their respective counsel, agents, employees, affiliates and advisors; provided that, such counterparty, rating agency, insurance or reinsurance company or other person agrees in writing to be under a like duty of confidentiality to that contained in this Section;
 - (h) the Agent and each of the Lenders shall incur no liability in respect of any Information: (i) which is or becomes readily available to the public (other than by a breach hereof, including, for certainty, by a breach hereof by a person for which the applicable Lender or the Agent is responsible) or which has been made readily available to the public by the Borrower or its Subsidiaries, (ii) which the Agent or the relevant Lender can show was, prior to receipt thereof from the Borrower, lawfully in the Agent's or Lender's possession from a source other than the Borrower or a representative of the Borrower and not then subject to any obligation on its part to the Borrower to maintain confidentiality, or (iii) which the Agent or the relevant Lender received from a third party who was not, to the knowledge of the Agent or such Lender, under a duty of confidentiality to the Borrower at the time the information was so received;
 - (i) the Agent and each of the Lenders may disclose the Information to (i) any of their respective Affiliates and (ii) other financial institutions and other persons in connection with the syndication by the Agent or Lenders of the Credit Facilities, the assignment by a Lender of the Credit Facilities, or the granting by a Lender of a participation in the Credit Facilities, in each case, where such Affiliate or financial institution or other person agrees to be under a like duty of confidentiality to that contained in this Section; and
 - (j) the Agent and the Lenders may disclose all or any part of the Information so as to enable the Agent and the Lenders to initiate any lawsuit against the Borrower or to defend any lawsuit commenced by the Borrower or any other person, the issues of which touch on the Information, but only to the extent such disclosure is necessary to the initiation or defense of such lawsuit.
- (3) The terms of this Section 16.1 shall survive for a period of three (3) years following the termination of this Agreement.

16.2 Nature of Obligations under this Agreement; Defaulting Lenders

- (1) The obligations of each Lender and of the Agent under this Agreement are several. The failure of any Lender to carry out its obligations hereunder shall not relieve the other Lenders, the Agent or the Borrower and its Subsidiaries of any of their respective obligations under the Documents.
- (2) Subject to and without derogating from the operation of Section 15.14 and this Section 16.2, neither the Agent nor any Lender shall be responsible for the obligations of any other Lender hereunder.
- (3) Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, if any Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender, then the following provisions shall apply for so long as such Lender is a Defaulting Lender:
- (a) the standby fees payable pursuant to Section 5.6 shall cease to accrue on the unused portion of the Commitment of such Defaulting Lender;
 - (b) a Defaulting Lender shall not be included in determining whether, and the Commitment and the Rateable Portion of the Outstanding Principal of such Defaulting Lender shall not be included in determining whether, all Lenders, all of the Lenders, each of the Lenders or the Majority of the Lenders have taken or may take any action hereunder (including any consent to any amendment or

waiver pursuant to Section 16.10), provided that any waiver, amendment or modification requiring the consent of all Lenders, all of the Lenders or each affected Lender that (i) materially and adversely affects such Defaulting Lender differently than other affected Lenders, (ii) increases the Commitment or extends the Maturity Date of such Defaulting Lender, or (iii) relates to the matters set forth in Sections 16.10(a)(i), (ii), (iii), (v), (viii) and (ix), shall require the consent of such Defaulting Lender; and

(c) for the avoidance of doubt, the Borrower shall retain and reserve its other rights and remedies respecting each Defaulting Lender.

(4) If the Agent has actual knowledge that a Lender is a Defaulting Lender at the time that the Agent receives (a) a Drawdown Notice, (b) a Rollover Notice that relates to a Letter of Credit, or (c) a Conversion Notice, that will result in a currency conversion, then each other Lender shall fund its Rateable Portion of such affected Loan (and, in calculating such Rateable Portion, the Agent shall ignore the Commitments of each such Defaulting Lender); provided that, for certainty, no Lender shall be obligated by this Section to make or provide Loans in excess of its Commitment. If the Agent acquires actual knowledge that a Lender is a Defaulting Lender at any time after the Agent received (a) a Drawdown Notice, (b) a Rollover Notice that relates to a Letter of Credit, or (c) a Conversion Notice that will result in a currency conversion, then the Agent shall promptly notify the Borrower that such Lender is a Defaulting Lender (and such Lender shall be deemed to have consented to such disclosure). Each Defaulting Lender agrees to indemnify each other Lender for any amounts paid by such Lender under this Section 16.2(4) and which would otherwise have been paid by the Defaulting Lender if its Commitment had been included in determining the Rateable Portions of such affected Loans.

(5) If any Lender shall cease to be a Defaulting Lender, then, upon becoming aware of the same, the Agent shall notify the other Lenders and (in accordance with the written direction of the Agent) such Lender (which has ceased to be a Defaulting Lender) shall purchase, and the other Lenders shall on a rateable basis sell and assign to such Lender, portions of such Loans equal in total to such Lender's Rateable Portion thereof without regard to Section 16.2(4).

16.3 Notices

Any demand, notice or communication to be made or given hereunder shall be in writing and may be made or given by personal delivery or by transmittal by telecopy or, subject to Section 16.15, other electronic means of communication addressed to the respective parties as follows:

To the Borrower:

Highwood Asset Management Ltd.
202, 221 10th Avenue S.E.
Calgary, Alberta
T2G 0V9

Attention: [redacted - contact information]
Email: [redacted - contact information]

To the Agent:

For Drawdown Notices, Rollover Notices, Conversion Notices and Repayment Notices:

Royal Bank of Canada, as Agent
155 Wellington Street West, 8th Floor
Toronto, ON M5V 3H1

Attention: [redacted - contact information]

Facsimile: [redacted - contact information]
Email: [redacted - contact information]

For all other demands, notices or communications to the Agent:

Royal Bank of Canada, as Agent
20 King Street West, 4th Floor
Toronto, Ontario
M5H 1C4

Attention: [redacted - contact information]
Facsimile: [redacted - contact information]
Email: [redacted - contact information]

with a copy, in the case of each demand, notice or communication to the Agent other than Drawdown Notices, Conversion Notices, Rollover Notices and Repayment Notices, to:

RBC Capital Markets
3900 Bankers Hall West
888 - 3rd Street S.W.
Calgary, Alberta
T2P 5C5

Attention: [redacted - contact information]
Facsimile: [redacted - contact information]

To the Operating Lender:

For Drawdown Notices, Rollover Notices, Conversion Notices and Repayment Notices:

Royal Bank of Canada, as Operating Lender
20 King Street West, 4th Floor
Toronto, Ontario
M5H 1C4

Attention: [redacted - contact information]
Facsimile: [redacted - contact information]
Email: [redacted - contact information]

For all other demands, notices or communications to the Operating Lender:

Royal Bank of Canada, as Operating Lender
3900 Bankers Hall West
888 - 3rd Street S.W.
Calgary, Alberta
T2P 5C5

Attention: [redacted - contact information]
Facsimile: [redacted - contact information]

To each Lender: As set forth in the most recent administrative questionnaire or other written notification provided to the Agent by such Lender (a copy of which shall be provided to the Borrower upon request to the Agent),

or to such other address or telecopy number as any party may from time to time notify the others in accordance with this Section. Any demand, notice or communication made or given by personal delivery or by telecopier or other

electronic means of communication during normal business hours at the place of receipt on a Banking Day shall be conclusively deemed to have been made or given at the time of actual delivery or transmittal, as the case may be, on such Banking Day. Any demand, notice or communication made or given by personal delivery or by telecopier or other electronic means of communication after normal business hours at the place of receipt or otherwise than on a Banking Day shall be conclusively deemed to have been made or given at 9:00 a.m. (Calgary time) on the first Banking Day following actual delivery or transmittal, as the case may be.

16.4 Governing Law

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of Alberta and the laws of Canada applicable therein, without prejudice to or limitation of any other rights or remedies available under the laws of any jurisdiction where property or assets of the Borrower may be found.

16.5 Benefit of the Agreement

This Agreement shall enure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Borrower, the Lenders, the Fronting Lender, the Operating Lender, the Agent and their respective successors and permitted assigns.

16.6 Assignment

(1) Any Lender may, with the prior written consent of each of the Borrower, the Fronting Lender and the Agent, which consents shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, assign an interest in its Commitments, its Rateable Portion of the Loans and its rights under the Documents; provided that: (a) such consent of the Borrower shall not be required during the continuance of a Default or an Event of Default; (b) such consents shall not be required in the case of assignments to another Lender (other than a Defaulting Lender), by a Lender to an Affiliate thereof or by a Lender to an Approved Fund; (c) except during the continuance of an Event of Default or except with the consent of the Borrower, the Fronting Lender and the Agent, such consents not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, no Lender shall, assign an interest in its Commitment if the effect of the same would be to have a Lender with a Commitment of less than [redacted - dollar amount]; and (d) except in the case of an assignment by a Defaulting Lender pursuant to Section 2.21(c)(iii), it shall be a precondition to any such assignment that the contemplated assignee Lender shall have paid to the Agent, for the Agent's own account, a transfer fee of [redacted - dollar amount]. Subject to Section 7.7 and except in the case of an assignment by a Lender to an Affiliate thereof or an Approved Fund (in which case the assigning Lender shall remain liable for the obligations so assigned), upon any such assignment, the assigning Lender shall have no further obligation hereunder with respect to such interest. Upon any such assignment, the assigning Lender, the assignee Lender, the Fronting Lender the Agent and, if applicable, the Borrower shall execute and deliver an Assignment Agreement. Except as permitted by Section 10.2(1), the Borrower shall not assign its rights or obligations hereunder, under the Credit Facilities or under any other Document, without the prior written consent of all of the Lenders.

(2) Any Lender may at any time grant a Security Interest in all or any portion of its rights under this Agreement to secure obligations of such Lender, including any Security Interest to secure obligations of such Lender to a U.S. Federal Reserve Bank or other central bank having jurisdiction over such Lender, and Section 16.6(1) shall apply to any realization by any such secured party of any such Security Interest, and this Section shall apply to any such grant of a Security Interest; provided, that no such grant of a Security Interest shall release a Lender from any of its obligations hereunder or substitute any holder of such Security Interest for such Lender as a party hereto.

(3) The Agent shall, on behalf of the Borrower, maintain at its address referred to in Section 16.3 a copy of each executed Assignment Agreement delivered to it and a register (the "**Register**") for the recordation of the names and addresses of the Lenders and the Commitment of, and the principal amount of the Loans owing to, each Lender from time to time. The entries in the Register shall be conclusive, in the absence of manifest error, and the Borrower, the Fronting Lender, the Agent and the Lenders shall treat each whose name is recorded in the Register as the owner of the Loans recorded therein for all purposes of this Agreement. The Register shall be available for inspection by the Borrower and any Lender (with respect to any entry relating to the Loans of such Lender) at any reasonable time and from time to time upon reasonable prior notice to the Agent.

16.7 Participations

Any Lender may, without the consent of the Borrower, grant one or more participations in its Commitment and its Rateable Portion of any one or more of the Loans to other persons, provided that the granting of such a participation: (a) shall be at the Lender's own cost; (b) shall not affect the obligations of such Lender hereunder nor shall it increase the costs to the Borrower hereunder or under any of the other Documents; and (c) shall not provide the participant with any right to approve the provision by the Lender of any consent, waiver or approval hereunder or require the Borrower to deal directly with such participant. No such participant shall by virtue of such participations be party to this Agreement. The Borrower also agrees that each participant shall be entitled to the benefits of Section 8.5 with respect to its interest in the Commitment and the Loans outstanding from time to time as if such participant were such Lender; provided that no participant shall be entitled to receive any amount which the transferor Lender would not have been entitled to receive in such circumstances nor any greater amount pursuant to either such Section than the transferor Lender would have been entitled to receive in respect of such amount of the participation transferred by such transferor Lender to such participant had no such transfer occurred. For the purposes of this Section 16.7, each Lender from which a participant purchased the related participation shall act as agent on behalf of such participant to the extent required so that such participant shall receive the benefit of this Section 16.7.

16.8 Severability

Any provision of this Agreement which is prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate the remaining provisions hereof and any such prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction.

16.9 Whole Agreement

This Agreement and the other Documents constitute the whole and entire agreement between the parties hereto regarding the subject matter hereof and thereof and cancel and supersede any prior agreements (including any commitment letters), undertakings, declarations, commitments, representations, written or oral, in respect thereof.

16.10 Amendments and Waivers

Any provision of this Agreement and the other Documents may be amended only if the Borrower and the Majority of the Lenders so agree in writing and, except as otherwise specifically provided herein, may be waived only if the Majority of the Lenders (excluding any Defaulting Lenders), so agree in writing, but:

- (a) an amendment or waiver (or consent to like effect) which changes or relates to:
 - (i) the amount or type of the Credit Facilities, the amount or type of the Loans available hereunder (or decreases in the periods of notice for Drawdowns, Conversions, Rollovers or voluntary prepayment of Loans) or any Lender's Commitment;
 - (ii) decreases in the rates of or deferral of the dates of payment of interest, Bankers' Acceptance or Letters of Credit fees, standby fees or decreases in the amount of principal owing hereunder or deferral of the dates of mandatory repayments of principal;
 - (iii) decreases in the amount of or deferral of the dates of payment of other fees or other amounts payable hereunder (other than fees payable for the account of Agent or the Fronting Lender, which may be increased or decreased with the written agreement of the Agent or the Fronting Lender, as the case may be);
 - (iv) the definition of "Majority of the Lenders";
 - (v) any Second Lien Intercreditor Agreement, any Royalty Subordination Agreement or the Boulder VTB Subordination Agreement (in each case, other than amendments,

supplements, modifications, consents, waivers and modifications of an administrative or minor nature or to the extent necessary to cure any defect, ambiguity, or inconsistency);

- (vi) any provision hereof contemplating or requiring consent, approval or agreement of "all Lenders", "all of the Lenders", "each of the Lenders" or similar expressions or permitting waiver of conditions or covenants or agreements by "all Lenders", "all of the Lenders", "each of the Lenders" or similar expressions;
- (vii) Sections 2.2, 2.3, 2.15, 2.19, 2.20 (other than an extension of the notice periods referred to therein), 2.21, 2.22, 12.1(a), 12.1(b) (other than a waiver (or consent to like effect) of such section which relates solely to fees payable for the account of the Agent or the Fronting Lender, which may be made with the written agreement of the Agent or the Fronting Lender, as the case may be), 12.7, 12.8, 12.9, 12.10, 15.4 or the definition of "BA Discount Rate";
- (viii) the release or discharge of, or any material amendment or waiver of, any Security, except to the extent provided for or contemplated hereunder (for certainty, the discharge or release of the Collateral from the Security which is not already provided for in the Documents, as opposed to the release or discharge or material amendment or waiver of the Security itself, shall only require the approval of the Majority of the Lenders), unless the Collateral being released constitutes all or substantially all of the property and assets of the Borrower and its Subsidiaries;
- (ix) the conditions precedent to Drawdowns; or
- (x) this Section,

shall require the agreement or waiver of all the Lenders (excluding any Defaulting Lenders (except in the case of paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii), (v) or (viii)) and also (in the case of an amendment) of the other parties hereto (excluding any Defaulting Lenders);

- (b) an amendment or waiver (or consent to like effect) which changes or relates to the rights and/or obligations of the Agent shall also require the agreement of the Agent thereto;
- (c) an amendment or waiver (or consent to like effect) which changes or relates to the rights and/or obligations of a Fronting Lender shall also require the agreement of such Fronting Lender thereto; and
- (d) an amendment or waiver (or consent to like effect) which changes or relates to the rights and/or obligations of the Operating Lender shall also require the agreement of the Operating Lender thereto.

Any such waiver and any consent by the Agent, the Operating Lender, the Fronting Lenders, any Lender, the Majority of the Lenders, all of the Lenders under any provision of this Agreement must be in writing (including, for certainty, by electronic mail) and may be given subject to any conditions thought fit by the person giving that waiver or consent. Any waiver or consent shall be effective only in the instance and for the purpose for which it is given.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 16.10 or any other provision of this Agreement:

- (a) any provision of this Agreement or any other Document may be amended by an agreement in writing entered into by the Borrower and the Agent to (i) cure any ambiguity, omission, mistake, defect or inconsistency (as reasonably determined by the Agent and the Borrower) or (ii) effect administrative changes of a technical or immaterial nature and such amendment shall be deemed approved by the Lenders if the Lenders shall have received at least five (5) Banking Days' prior written notice of such change and the Agent shall not have received, within five (5) Banking Days of the date of such

notice to the Lenders, a written notice from the Majority of the Lenders stating that the Majority of the Lenders object to such amendment;

- (b) the Agent and the Borrower may, without the consent of any Lender, enter into amendments or modifications to this Agreement or any of the other Documents or to enter into additional Documents as the Agent deems appropriate in order to implement any Benchmark Replacement or any Conforming Change or otherwise effectuate the terms of Section 13.1 or Section 13.6 in accordance with the terms thereof; and
- (c) in connection with the use or administration of Term SOFR, the CDOR Rate, the Applicable CDOR Rate or the use, administration, adoption or implementation of a Benchmark Replacement, the Agent (including as directed by the Operating Lender with respect to the Operating Facility) will have the right to make Conforming Changes from time to time in accordance with Section 13.1(2).

16.11 Further Assurances

The Borrower shall, and shall cause each Subsidiary to, promptly cure any default by it or defect in the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the other Documents or any of the agreements provided for hereunder to which it is a party. Upon request, the Borrower will, at its expense, as promptly as practical, execute and deliver to the Agent, all such other and further deeds, agreements, opinions, certificates, instruments, affidavits, registration materials and other documents (and cause each Subsidiary to take such action) necessary for the Borrower's compliance with or performance of the covenants and agreements of the Borrower or any Subsidiary in any of the Documents, including this Agreement, or to further evidence and more fully describe the property subject to the Security Interests, privileges and priorities purported to be created by the Security, or to correct any omissions in any of the Documents, or more fully to state the obligations set out herein or in any of the Documents, or to perfect, protect or preserve the Security Interests created pursuant to any of the Documents, or to make any registration, recording, to file any notice or to obtain any consent, all as may be necessary or appropriate in connection therewith, in the judgment of the Agent, acting reasonably.

16.12 Attornment

The parties hereto each hereby attorn and submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the Province of Alberta in regard to legal proceedings relating to the Documents. For the purpose of all such legal proceedings, this Agreement shall be deemed to have been performed in the Province of Alberta and the courts of the Province of Alberta shall have jurisdiction to entertain any action arising under this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this Section shall be construed nor operate to limit the right of any party hereto to commence any action relating hereto in any other jurisdiction, nor to limit the right of the courts of any other jurisdiction to take jurisdiction over any action or matter relating hereto.

16.13 Time of the Essence

Time shall be of the essence of this Agreement.

16.14 Waiver of Jury Trial

To the extent permitted by Applicable Laws, each of the Borrower, the Agent and the Lenders hereby irrevocably waives all right to trial by jury in any action, proceeding or counterclaim (whether based on contract, tort or otherwise) arising out of or relating to the Documents or the actions of the Agent or any Lender in the negotiation, administration, performance or enforcement thereof.

16.15 Electronic Communications

(1) Any demand, notice or communication to be made or given hereunder may be delivered or furnished by electronic communication (including email and internet or intranet websites) pursuant to procedures approved by the Agent, provided that the foregoing shall not apply to notices to any Lender if such Lender has notified the Agent

that it is incapable of receiving notices by electronic communication. The Agent or the Borrower may, in its discretion, agree to accept notices and other communications to it hereunder by electronic communications pursuant to procedures approved by it, provided that approval of such procedures may be limited to particular demands, notices or communications.

(2) Unless the Agent otherwise prescribes, demands, notices and other communications sent to an email address shall be deemed received upon the sender's receipt of an acknowledgement from the intended recipient (such as by the "return receipt requested" function, as available, return email or other written acknowledgement), and demands, notices or communications posted to an internet or intranet website shall be deemed received upon the deemed receipt by the intended recipient at its email address of notification that such notice or communication is available and identifying the website address therefor, provided that, if such demand, notice, email or other communication is not sent within normal business hours of the recipient, such demand, notice or other communication shall be deemed to have been sent at the opening of business on the next Banking Day.

16.16 Platform

(1) The Borrower agrees that the Agent may, but shall not be obligated to, make the Communications (as defined below) available to the Lenders by posting the Communications on Debt Domain, IntraLinks, SyndTrak or a substantially similar electronic transmission system (the "**Platform**").

(2) The Platform is provided "as is" and "as available." The Agent Parties (as defined below) do not warrant the adequacy of the Platform and expressly disclaim liability for errors or omissions in the Communications. No warranty of any kind, express, implied or statutory, including any warranty of merchantability, fitness for a particular purpose, non-infringement of third-party rights or freedom from viruses or other code defects, is made by any Agent Party in connection with the Communications or the Platform. In no event shall the Agent or any of its Affiliates (collectively, the "**Agent Parties**") have any liability to the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, any Lender or any other person for damages of any kind, including direct or indirect, special, incidental or consequential damages, losses or expenses (whether in tort, contract or otherwise) arising out of the Borrower's, any Subsidiary's or the Agent's transmission of communications through the Platform. "**Communications**" means, collectively, any notice, demand, communication, information, document or other material that the Borrower or any Subsidiary thereof provides to the Agent pursuant to any Document or the transactions contemplated therein which is distributed to the Agent or any Lender by means of electronic communications pursuant to this Section 16.16, including through the Platform.

16.17 Anti-Money Laundering/Know Your Customer Laws

(1) Each Lender and the Agent (for itself and not on behalf of any Lender) hereby notifies the Borrower that pursuant to the requirements of Anti-Money Laundering/ Anti- Terrorist Financing Laws and "know your client" Applicable Laws (collectively, including any guidelines or orders thereunder, "**AML/KYC Legislation**"), it may be required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies the Borrower and its Subsidiaries, which information includes the name and address of each such person and such other information that will allow such Lender or the Agent, as applicable, to identify each such person in accordance with AML/KYC Legislation (including, information regarding such person's directors, authorized signing officers, or other persons in control of each such person). The Borrower shall promptly provide and cause its Subsidiaries to provide all such information, including supporting documentation and other evidence, as may be reasonably requested by any Lender or the Agent (for itself and not on behalf of any Lender), or any prospective assignee or participant of a Lender or the Agent, in order to comply with any applicable AML/KYC Legislation, whether now or hereafter in existence.

(2) If, upon the written request of any Lender, the Agent has ascertained the identity of the Borrower or any Subsidiary or any authorized signatories of such person for the purposes of applicable AML/KYC Legislation on such Lender's behalf, then the Agent:

- (a) shall be deemed to have done so as an agent for such Lender, and this Agreement shall constitute a "written agreement" in such regard between such Lender and the Agent within the meaning of applicable AML/KYC Legislation; and

- (b) shall provide to such Lender copies of all information obtained in such regard without any representation or warranty as to its accuracy or completeness.

(3) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 16.17, each of the Lenders agrees that the Agent has no obligation to ascertain the identity of the Borrower or any Subsidiary any authorized signatories of such person, on behalf of any Lender, or to confirm the completeness or accuracy of any information it obtains from any such person or any such authorized signatory in doing so.

16.18 No Fiduciary Duty

The Agent, each Lender and their respective Affiliates (collectively, solely for purposes of this Section 16.18, the "**Lenders**"), may have economic interests that conflict with those of the Borrower, its shareholders and/or its Affiliates. The Borrower agrees that nothing in the Documents will be deemed to create an advisory, fiduciary or agency relationship or fiduciary or other implied duty between any Lender, on the one hand, and the Borrower, its shareholders or its Affiliates, on the other hand. The Borrower acknowledges and agrees that (a) the transactions contemplated by the Documents (including the exercise of rights and remedies hereunder and thereunder) are arm's length commercial transactions between the Lenders, on the one hand, and the Borrower, on the other hand, and (b) in connection therewith and with the process leading thereto, (i) no Lender has assumed an advisory or fiduciary responsibility in favour of the Borrower, its shareholders or its Affiliates with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby (or the exercise of rights or remedies with respect thereto) or the process leading thereto (irrespective of whether any Lender has advised, is currently advising or will advise the Borrower, its shareholders or its Affiliates on other matters) or any other obligation to the Borrower except the obligations expressly set forth in the Documents and (ii) each Lender is acting solely as principal and not as the agent or fiduciary of the Borrower, its management, shareholders, creditors or any other person. The Borrower acknowledges and agrees that the Borrower has consulted its own legal and financial advisors to the extent it deemed appropriate and that it is responsible for making its own independent judgment with respect to such transactions and the process leading thereto. The Borrower agrees that it will not claim that any Lender has rendered advisory services of any nature or respect, or owes a fiduciary or similar duty to the Borrower, in connection with such transactions or the process leading thereto.

16.19 Credit Agreement Governs

In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the provisions of this Agreement and the provisions of the other Documents, the provisions of this Agreement, to the extent of the conflict or inconsistency, shall govern and prevail.

16.20 Acknowledgement and Consent to Bail-In of Affected Financial Institutions

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Document or in any other agreement, arrangement or understanding among any such parties, each party hereto acknowledges that any liability of any Affected Financial Institution arising under any Document, to the extent such liability is unsecured, may be subject to the Write-Down and Conversion Powers of the applicable Resolution Authority and agrees and consents to, and acknowledges and agrees to be bound by:

- (a) the application of any Write-Down and Conversion Powers by the applicable Resolution Authority to any such liabilities arising hereunder which may be payable to it by any party hereto that is an Affected Financial Institution; and
- (b) the effects of any Bail-In Action on any such liability, including, if applicable:
 - (i) a reduction in full or in part or cancellation of any such liability;
 - (ii) a conversion of all, or a portion of, such liability into shares or other instruments of ownership in such Affected Financial Institution, its parent undertaking, or a bridge institution that may be issued to it or otherwise conferred on it, and that such shares or

other instruments of ownership will be accepted by it in lieu of any rights with respect to any such liability under this Agreement or any other Document; or

- (iii) the variation of the terms of such liability in connection with the exercise of the Write-Down and Conversion Powers of the applicable Resolution Authority.

16.21 Counterparts; Electronic Execution

This Agreement and each other Document may be executed in one or more counterparts (and by different parties hereto in different counterparts), each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Delivery by facsimile or other electronic transmission of an executed counterpart of a signature page to this Agreement and each other Document shall be effective as delivery of an original executed counterpart of this Agreement and such other Document. The words "execution," "execute", "signed," "signature," and words of like import in or related to any document to be signed in connection with this Agreement or any other Document shall be deemed to include electronic signatures, or the keeping of records in electronic form, each of which shall be of the same legal effect, validity or enforceability as a manually executed signature or the use of a paper based recordkeeping system, as the case may be, to the extent and as provided for in any applicable law, including, without limitation, as provided in Parts 2 and 3 of the *Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act* (Canada), the *Electronic Commerce Act, 2000* (Ontario), the *Electronic Transactions Act* (British Columbia), the *Electronic Transactions Act* (Alberta), or any other similar laws based on the Uniform Electronic Commerce Act of the Uniform Law Conference of Canada. The Agent may, in its discretion, require that any such documents and signatures executed electronically or delivered by facsimile or other electronic transmission be confirmed by a manually-signed original thereof; provided that the failure to request or deliver the same shall not limit the effectiveness of any document or signature executed electronically or delivered by facsimile or other electronic transmission.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have executed this Agreement.

HIGHWOOD ASSET MANAGEMENT LTD.

By:

(signed) "Chris Allchorne"

Name: Chris Allchorne

Title: Chief Financial Officer

By:

(signed) "Greg Macdonald"

Name: Greg Macdonald

Title: President & Chief Executive Officer

LENDERS:

ROYAL BANK OF CANADA

By:

[redacted - signature]

Name: [redacted - signatory]

Title: Authorized Signatory

By:

Name:

Title:

ATB FINANCIAL

By:

[redacted - signature]

Name: [redacted - signatory]

Title: Director

By:

[redacted - signature]

Name: [redacted - signatory]

Title: Head of Corporate Banking

AGENT:

ROYAL BANK OF CANADA,
in its capacity as the Agent

By:

[redacted - signature]

Name: [redacted - signatory]

Title: Deal Manager

By:

Name:

Title:

SCHEDULE A

LENDERS AND COMMITMENTS

Lender	Operating Facility Commitment	Syndicated Facility Commitment	Aggregate Individual Commitment
Royal Bank of Canada	[redacted - commitment]	[redacted - commitment]	[redacted - commitment]
ATB Financial		[redacted - commitment]	[redacted - commitment]
Total:	[redacted - commitment]	[redacted - commitment]	Cdn.\$100,000,000
Fronting Lender			Individual Fronting Limit
Royal Bank of Canada			[redacted - commitment]

SCHEDULE B - SCHEDULE I

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