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#### **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): June 02, 2023

# LM FUNDING AMERICA, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-37605 (Commission File Number) 47-3844457 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1200 West Platt Street
Suite 100
Tampa, Florida
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

33606 (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: 813 222-8996

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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

On June 2, 2023, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York entered an order (the "Symbiont Bankruptcy Order") approving the sale of substantially all of the assets of Symbiont.io, LLC, as debtor in possession ("Symbiont"), to LM Funding America, Inc. (the "Company") pursuant to a form of Asset Purchase Agreement attached to the Symbiont Bankruptcy Sale Order (the "Asset Purchase Agreement") free and clear of all liens, claims and encumbrances. The Company and Symbiont signed the Asset Purchase Agreement on June 5, 2023, and the purchase and sale of the Symbiont assets pursuant to the Asset Purchase Agreement closed on June 5, 2023.

Pursuant to the Asset Purchase Agreement, the Company purchased substantially all of the assets of Symbiont (the "Purchased Assets") for a purchase price of \$2,589,416, which was paid by means of a credit bid of the full amount of the note payable owed by Symbiont to the Company. The Purchased Assets are comprised principally of intellectual property and software code relating to Symbiont's financial services blockchain enterprise platform. The Company intends to pursue strategic relationships and explore various use cases to commercialize the Purchased Assets. The Company did not assume any liabilities of Symbiont in the transaction. The amount paid by the Company for the Purchased Assets is less than ten percent of the total assets of the Company and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, and accordingly the acquisition does not involve a "significant amount of assets" for purposes of Item 2.01 of Form 8-K.

The foregoing description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the terms of the Asset Purchase Agreement and the Symbiont Bankruptcy Order, copies of which are filed as Exhibit 2.1 and Exhibit 2.2, respectively, to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD.

On June 6, 2023, the Company issued a press release announcing the acquisition of the Purchase Assets from Symbiont. The press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Also on June 6, 2023, representatives of the Company began making presentations to investors, analysts, and others using the investor presentation attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.2 (the "Investor Presentation"). The Company expects to use the Investor Presentation, in whole or in part, and possibly with modifications, in connection with presentations to investors, analysts and others from time to time.

By filing this Current Report on Form 8-K and furnishing the information contained herein, the Company makes no admission as to the materiality of any information in this report, which is required to be disclosed solely by reason of Regulation FD. The information contained in the Investor Presentation is summary information that is intended to be considered in the context of the Company's Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") filings and other public announcements that the Company may make, by press release or otherwise, from time to time. The Company undertakes no duty or obligation to publicly update or revise the information contained in this report, although it may do so from time to time as its management believes is warranted. Any such updating may be made through the filing of other reports or documents with the SEC, through press releases or through other public disclosure.

The information in this Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1 and Exhibit 99.2 attached hereto, is being furnished, shall not be deemed "filed" for any purpose, and shall not be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
2.1* 2.2* 99.1	Asset Purchase Agreement, dated June 5, 2023, between LM Funding America, Inc. and Symbiont.io, LLC, as Chapter 11 Debtor in Possession and Seller Court Order, dated June 2, 2023, relating to acquisition of Symbiont assets  Press Release, dated June 6, 2023
99.2 EX-104	Investor Presentation  Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)  * Certain schedules and attachments to these exhibits have been omitted pursuant to Regulation S-K, Item 601(a)(5). The registrant hereby undertakes to furnish copies of any of the omitted schedules and exhibits upon request by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This Current Report on Form 8-K may contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements involve risks and uncertainty. Words such as "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "plan," and "project" and other similar words and expressions are intended to signify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future results and conditions but rather are subject to various risks and uncertainties. Such statements are based on the Company's current expectations and are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements. Investors are cautioned that there can be no assurance actual results or business conditions will not differ materially from those projected or suggested in such forward-looking statements as a result of various risks and uncertainties. These risks and uncertainties include, without limitation, uncertainty created by the COVID-19 pandemic, the risk of not successfully commercializing or realizing value from the Symbiont assets, the risks of operating in the cryptocurrency mining business, the capacity of the Company's bitcoin mining machines and the Company's related ability to purchase power at reasonable prices, and the ability to finance the Company's cryptocurrency mining operations. Investors should refer to the risks detailed from time to time in the reports the Company files with the SEC, including the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022, as well as other filings on Form 10-Q and periodic filings on Form 8-K, for additional factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those stated or implied by such forward-looking statements. The Company disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise, unless required by law.

# SIGNATURES

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

LM Funding America, Inc.

Date: June 6, 2023 By: /s/ Richard Russell

Richard Russell, Chief Financial Officer

# **EXECUTION COPY**

# ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN SYMBIONT.IO, LLC,

as the Chapter 11 Debtor-in-Possession and Seller

AND

LM Funding America, Inc., or its designee,

as the Buyer

June 5, 2023

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#### ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

This ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is entered into effective as of June 5, 2023 (the "Effective Date"), by and among LM Funding America, Inc., a Delaware corporation, or its designee, ("Buyer" or "Secured Lender"), and Symbiont.io, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Seller" or "Debtor"), a debtor and debtor in possession under Case No. 22-11620-(PB) (the "Bankruptcy Case") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Bankruptcy Court"). Seller and Buyer are together referred to as the "Parties" and each individually as a "Party." Certain terms used in this Agreement are defined in Section 1.1.

#### BACKGROUND

WHEREAS, Seller, among other things, is engaged in the business of developing blockchain platform products, called "smart contracts," to build and run decentralized applications involving the blockchain that permit financial institutions to use the blockchain to create a more robust and secure record of their financial transactions (the "Business");

**WHEREAS**, on or about December 1, 2022 (the "**Petition Date**"), Seller filed a voluntary petition for chapter 11 relief under title 11 of the United States Code (the "**Bankruptcy Code**"), in the Bankruptcy Court;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Order Approving Joint Application for an Order Authorizing the Debtor to Retain Huron Consulting Services LLC to Designate a Chief Restructuring Officer for the Debtor Effective as of March 31, 2023 entered in the Chapter 11 Case on April 19, 2023 Dkt. No. 47 (the "CRO Order"), the Bankruptcy Court authorized the retention of Laura Marcero of Huron Consulting Services LLC as the Chief Restructuring Officer of the Debtor (the "CRO");

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the CRO Order, the CRO has the power and authority to, among other things, market and sell the assets of the Debtor for the benefit of the estate and its creditors;

**WHEREAS**, on May 1, 2023, the Debtor filed the Sale Motion, seeking permission to sell the Debtor's assets on the terms and conditions set forth therein;

**WHEREAS**, on or about May 26, 2023, the Debtor filed a notice [Dkt. No. 73] that it received no bids by the Bidding Deadline and canceled the auction scheduled for May 30, 2023;

**WHEREAS**, Buyer desires to purchase from Seller, all of the Purchased Assets on the terms and conditions set forth herein, free and clear of all liens, claims, rights, encumbrances, and interests pursuant to and in accordance with sections 105, 363 and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code and Rules 4001, 6004, and 6006 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "**Bankruptcy Rules**"), all as more fully set forth in this Agreement;

WHEREAS, Buyer holds a pre-petition secured promissory note and other related documents issued by the Seller with principal, plus accrued interest, fees and expenses in the aggregate amount of not less than \$2,589,416, plus \$127,000 in fees and costs, plus any additional amounts that accrue between May 1, 2023 and the Closing Date (the "Note Holder Obligations");

WHEREAS, after the Petition Date, on March 31, 2023, the Buyer entered into a stipulation with the Seller authorizing the Seller to use the Buyer's cash collateral to pay the reasonable fees and costs of the CRO for services rendered in consummating a sale of substantially all of the Seller's assets, which was so-ordered by the Bankruptcy Court on April 19, 2023 [Dkt. No. 48], and on May 13, 2023, the Buyer and Seller entered into an amended stipulation for the use of cash collateral [Dkt No. 57] (the "Cash Collateral Stipulation");

WHEREAS, in the Debtor's business judgment, consummation of the transaction described in this Agreement, is a necessary condition to the Debtor's ability to maximize the value of its assets and recoveries for all holders of rights and claims against the Seller and its property;

WHEREAS, the Parties acknowledge and agree that this Agreement was negotiated at arm's length and in good faith; and

WHEREAS, the Parties acknowledge and agree that this Agreement is subject to the approval of the Bankruptcy Court and will be consummated only under the Final Sale Order to be entered in the Bankruptcy Case.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** in consideration of the foregoing recitals, which are incorporated into the agreements of the Parties herein, and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

# ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

- **1.1. <u>Definitions</u>**. As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the following meanings (unless otherwise expressly provided herein):
- "Accounts Receivable" means (i) all accounts, accounts receivable, contractual rights to payment, notes, notes receivable, negotiable instruments, chattel paper and vendor and supplier rebates of the Seller in connection with the Business; and (ii) any security interest, claim, remedy or other right related to any of the foregoing.
- "Action" means any claim, demand, cause of action, litigation, action, suit, arbitration, proceeding, hearing, audit or right in action, as further defined in Section 2.1(xii).
- "Affiliate" means, with respect to a Person, any other Person that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, such Person. The term "control" used in the preceding sentence means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person whether through ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise.
  - "Agreement" is defined in the Preamble.
- "Alternative Transaction" means in the event that the Bankruptcy Court fails to approve the sale of the Purchased Assets to the Buyer as provided hereunder and instead approves a sale of the Purchased Assets to an entity that has submitted a counteroffer, and such sale closes.

- "Assessment" is defined in Section 5.2.
- "Assigned Contract" is defined in Section 2.1(iv).
- "Ancillary Agreements" means, with respect to any Party, all agreements to which such Party is or will become a party pursuant to this Agreement, if any.
  - "Assignment and Assumption" is defined in Section 2.7(b).
  - "Assumed Liabilities" is defined in Section 2.3(a).
  - "Bankruptcy Case" is defined in the Preamble.
  - "Bankruptcy Code" is defined in the Recitals.
  - "Bankruptcy Court" is defined in the Preamble.
  - "Bankruptcy Estate" means the Debtor's bankruptcy estate in the Bankruptcy Case created pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 541(a).
  - "Bankruptcy Rules" is defined in the Recitals.
  - "Break-Up Fee" is defined in Section 8.1(b)(i).
  - "Bill of Sale" is defined in Section 2.7(a).
  - "Business" is defined in the Recitals.
- "Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or day on which banks are authorized or required to be closed in New York, New York.
  - "Buyer" is defined in the Preamble.
  - "Buyer Released Parties" is defined in Section 5.6.
  - "Closing" is defined in Section 2.6.
  - "Closing Date" is defined in Section 2.6.
- "Contract" means any agreement, purchase order, license, lease, contract, arrangement, understanding or commitment, whether oral or written, express or implied, to which a Person or its assets is legally bound.
- "Cure Amounts" means the amounts, if any, determined by the Bankruptcy Court to be necessary to cure all defaults and to pay all actual losses that have resulted from defaults by Seller pursuant to the Assigned Contracts. Seller believes the Cure Amounts are \$0. Pursuant to the Bid Procedures Order and Sale Notice entered May 20, 2023 [Dkt. No. 62], the Buyer shall have until five (5) business days after the Sale Hearing to provide the Seller with list of proposed Assigned Contracts. Within one (1) business day thereafter, the Debtor shall notify the contract

counterparties of the proposed Assigned Contracts and that the associated Cure Amounts are \$0. A Cure Objection (as defined in the Bid Procedures Order) is due within fourteen (14) days of receiving the Sale Notice. If no Cure Objection is received, any objection to the assumption and assignment or Cure Amounts is deemed waived.

- "Deposit" is defined in Section 2.5(a).
- "Disputes" is defined in Section 5.6.
- "Effective Date" is defined in the Preamble.

"Encumbrances" means any and all liens, claims, rights, encumbrances and interests, including without limitation, mortgages, deeds of trust, liens, warehouse liens, Tax Liabilities (defined in Section 2.4(1)), pledges, security interests, leases, subleases, licenses, rights of way, easements, rights of first refusal or first offer, options, options to purchase, agreements to sell, rights of redemption, pledges, restrictions, covenants, violations of law, reservations, set-off rights or similar matters, whether or not of record, or encroachments of any nature whatsoever, or any conditional sale contracts, title retention contracts or other agreements or arrangements to give or to refrain from giving any of the foregoing, whether secured or unsecured, choate or inchoate, filed or unfiled, scheduled or unscheduled, noticed or unnoticed, contingent or non-contingent, material or non-material, known or unknown.

- "Excluded Assets" is defined in Section 2.2(a).\_
- "Excluded Liabilities" is defined in Section 2.4.
- "Expense Reimbursement" is defined in Section 8.1(b)(i).

"Final Order" means an Order of the Bankruptcy Court (or any other court of competent jurisdiction) which has not been modified, amended, reversed, vacated or stayed and as to which (i) the time to appeal, petition for certiorari, or move for a new trial, stay, reargument or rehearing has expired and as to which no appeal, petition for certiorari or motion for new trial, stay, reargument or rehearing shall then be pending or (ii) if an appeal, writ of certiorari, new trial, stay, reargument or rehearing thereof has been sought, such Order of the Bankruptcy Court (or other court of competent jurisdiction) shall have been affirmed by the highest court to which such order was appealed, or certiorari shall have been denied, or a new trial, stay, reargument or rehearing shall have expired, as a result of which such action or Order shall have become final in accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 8002; provided that the possibility that a motion under Rule 60 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, or any analogous rule under the Bankruptcy Rules, may be filed relating to such Order, shall not cause an Order not to be a Final Order.

"Final Sale Order" means the Bankruptcy Court entering a final, non-appealable order approving the Agreement.

"Fundamental Representations" means Section 3.1(a), Section 3.2, Section 3.3(a), and Section 3.5.

"Governing Documents" means, for the Person in question, that Person's Articles of Incorporation, Certificate of Formation, Certificate of Limited Partnership, Bylaws, Partnership Agreement, Limited Liability Company Agreement or other similar documents relating to the formation and/or governance of the business and affairs of such Person.

"Governmental Authority" means any foreign, domestic, federal, state, local or municipal government, including any subdivision, court, commission or regulatory agency; any governmental or quasi-governmental authority; and any Person exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, judicial, legislative, regulatory or taxing authority.

"Indebtedness" as applied to any Person means without duplication: (i) all obligations of such Person for borrowed money or in respect of loans or advances; (ii) all obligations of such Person evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or other similar instruments; (iii) all obligations in respect of letters of credit, whether or not drawn, and bankers' acceptances issued for the account of such Person; (iv) all capitalized lease liabilities of such Person; (v) all obligations for the costs or purchase prices of any of the Purchased Assets; (vi) any debt-like obligation or financing-type arrangement in respect of the deferred purchase price of the Purchased Assets; and (vii) any accrued interest, prepayment premiums or penalties or other costs or expenses related to any of the foregoing.

"Intellectual Property" means all intellectual property, including: (i) inventions (whether patentable or unpatentable and whether or not reduced to practice), all improvements thereto, and all patents, patent applications and patent disclosures, together with all reissuances, continuations, continuations-in-part, revisions, extensions and reexaminations thereof; (ii) trademarks, service marks, trade dress, logos, trade names, brand names, corporate names, domain names and other electronic communication identifications, together with all translations, adaptations, derivations and combinations thereof and including all goodwill associated therewith, and all applications, registrations and renewals in connection therewith; (iii) copyrightable works, copyrights and applications, registrations and renewals in connection therewith; (iv) trade secrets and confidential business information (including ideas, research and development, know-how, formulas, compositions, manufacturing and production processes and techniques, technical data, designs, drawings, specifications, customer and supplier lists, pricing and cost information, and business and marketing plans and proposals); (v) all computer software (including data and related documentation); (vi) all other intellectual proprietary rights; and (vii) all copies and tangible embodiments of any of the foregoing (in whatever form or medium).

"Interim Period" is defined in Section 5.2.

"Liens" is defined in Section 2.4(1).

"Material Adverse Effect" means a change, event, development or occurrence that, individually or in the aggregate, (a) would or would reasonably be expected to prevent or materially delay consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or (b) has or would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Purchased Assets, taken as a whole. Notwithstanding the foregoing, none of the following changes, events, developments or occurrences shall be deemed to constitute or be taken into account in determining whether there has been or may be a Material Adverse Effect under clause (b): (i) any actual or proposed change

in law or accounting standards or the interpretation or implementation thereof; (ii) the entry into this Agreement or the announcement, commencement, pendency or consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby; (iii) any action taken by Seller that is expressly required to be taken by this Agreement; (iv) any change in general business, economic, geopolitical or financial market conditions; (v) acts of war or terrorism; and (vi) any natural disaster or calamity.

"Order" means any award, writ, injunction, judgment, order, ruling, decision, decree, directive, or similar determination entered, issued, made or rendered by any Governmental Authority (whether judicial, administrative or arbitral).

"Party" and "Parties" are defined in the Preamble.

"**Permits**" means all licenses, permits, franchises, privileges, certificates, rights, registrations, approvals, authorizations, consents, waivers, exemptions, releases, variances, certificates of authority, accreditations, or Orders issued by any Governmental Authority.

"**Person**" means an individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, trust, association, joint venture, or any other entity or organization, including any Governmental Authority.

"Plan" means any plan of reorganization or liquidation pursuant to Title 11 of the United States Code.

"Purchase Price" is defined in Section 2.5.

"Purchased Assets" is defined in Section 2.1.

"Records" means books of account, ledgers, forms, records, documents, files, invoices, vendor or supplier lists, plans and other data which are necessary to or desirable for the ownership, use, maintenance or operation of the Business, the Purchased Assets or the Assumed Liabilities and which are owned or used by the Seller, including all blueprints and specifications, all design drawings and related documents, all manuals, all personnel, payroll, payroll tax and labor relations records, all environmental control records, environmental impact reports, statements, studies and related documents, handbooks, technical manuals and data, engineering specifications and work papers, all pricing and cost information, all sales records, all accounting and financial records, all sales and use tax returns, reports, files and records, asset history records and files, all data entry and accounting systems used to conduct the day-to-day operations of the Business, all maintenance and repair records, all correspondence, notices, citations and all other documents received from, sent to or in the Seller's possession in connection with any Governmental Entity (including federal, state, county or regional environmental protection, air or water quality control, occupational health and safety, land use, planning or zoning and any alcohol, beverage or fire prevention authorities).

"Representatives" means, with respect to any Person, the officers, directors, principals, employees, agents, auditors, advisors and bankers of such Person.

"Sale Hearing" means the hearing to be held by the Bankruptcy Court on or about June 1, 2023, to approve the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

"Sale Motion" means Seller's Motion for an Order (A) Authorizing and Approving Sale and Bidding Procedures in Connection with Proposed Sale of Substantially All of Debtor's Assets; (B) Scheduling a Hearing on Shortened Notice to Approve Bidding Procedures (C) Scheduling a Hearing to Consider Approval of the Sale; (D) Prescribing the Manner of Notice for Such Hearings; (E) Authorizing and Approving the Asset Purchase Agreement with LM Funding America, Inc.; and (F) Authorizing Such Sale Free and Clear of all Liens, Claims and Encumbrances and any related supplemental pleadings, filed May 1, 2023.

"Sale Order" means a Final Order of the Bankruptcy Court approving, inter alia, (i) the sale of the Purchased Assets to Buyer free and clear of any Encumbrances, and (ii) the assumption and assignment of the Assigned Contracts to Buyer, in the form of the Sale Order attached as **Exhibit C** to the Sale Motion or otherwise in form and substance satisfactory to Buyer and Seller.

"**Seller**" is defined in the Preamble.

"Seller Releasing Parties" is defined in Section 5.6.

"Taxes" means all federal, state, local and foreign taxes or similar charges, including all income, franchise, margin, real property, withholding, employment, sales, excise and transfer taxes and any interest and penalties thereon.

"Tax Liabilities" is defined in Section 2.4(1).

- "Termination Date" is as defined in Section 8.1 and can be extended upon the mutual agreement of Seller and Buyer.
- "Title Liens" is defined in Section 2.4(c).
- "UCC Liens" is defined in Section 2.4(b)4.

# ARTICLE II TRANSACTIONS AT THE CLOSING

#### 2.1. Purchased Assets.

Subject to and in reliance upon the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Final Sale Order, at the Closing, Seller shall grant, sell, convey, assign, transfer and deliver to Buyer, and Buyer shall acquire, all of Seller's right, title and interest in and under all of Seller's assets, properties and rights of every kind and nature, whether real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible, wherever located and whether now existing or hereafter acquired, which are owned, maintained, used or held for use by the Seller in connection with the Business, other than the Excluded Assets (all such assets other than the Excluded Assets, the "**Purchased Assets**"), free and clear of all claims, Encumbrances, Excluded Liabilities, and other interests, without limitation, pursuant to Sections 105, 363 and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, including the following:

(i) all equipment, furniture, appliances, industrial artwork, computers, computer terminals and printers, telephone systems, information technology systems, telecopiers and photocopiers, office supplies and office equipment, factory machinery and

equipment, tools, all materials handling and plant vehicles, fixtures, leasehold improvements and all other tangible personal property of every kind and description;

(ii) all Intellectual Property, including any work product thereto, source code, domain names, and all goodwill associated with the Business, as more specifically described on Schedule 1, along with any and all (i) associated licenses and sublicenses obtained by the Seller (i.e. where the Seller is the licensee or sublicensee) with respect thereto and rights thereunder, (ii) rights to receive license fees and royalties (including under any executory contract that is not an Assigned Contract to the extent the counterparty continues to perform thereunder), (iii) remedies against infringements thereof and rights to protection of interests therein under the laws of all jurisdictions, (iv) claims and causes of action with respect to any of the foregoing, whether accruing before, on, or after the date hereof, including all rights to and claims for damages, restitution, and injunctive and other legal and equitable relief for past, present, and future infringement, dilution, misappropriation, violation, misuse, breach, or default, with the right but no obligation to sue for such legal and equitable relief and to collect, or otherwise recover, any such damages, and (v) all rights under any confidentiality agreements executed by any third party for the benefit of the Seller; provided, however, that nothing in this Section 2.1(iii) shall be deemed an assumption of any executory contract by the Buyer that is not expressly an Assigned Contract;

(iii) all inventories of raw materials, work-in-progress, finished goods, component parts and materials, supplies and accessories (the "Inventory");

(iv)all contracts, leases, subleases, arrangements, commitments and other agreements of the Seller, including customer agreements, vendor agreements, purchase orders, sales orders, installation and maintenance agreements, hardware lease or rental agreements, and other arrangements and understandings that are listed on <a href="Schedule 2">Schedule 2</a> assuming, as Seller has indicated, the cure cost for these contracts is \$0 (the "Assigned Contracts");

(v)all Permits, to the extent legally transferrable;

(vi)all Records;

(vii)all cash;

(viii)all sales, marketing and development and expansion plans, strategic plans, projections, studies, reports and other documents and data (including creative materials, advertising and promotional matters, websites, and current and past lists of customers, suppliers, vendors and sources), and all training materials and marketing brochures;

(ix)all Accounts Receivable;

(x)without duplication of the above, all deposits (including supplier or vendor deposits and security deposits for rent, electricity, telephone, utilities or otherwise) and other prepaid charges and expenses;

(xi)rights to indemnification, contribution, advancement of expenses or reimbursement, or similar rights of the Seller;

(xii)All causes of action, choses in action, lawsuits, judgments, claims, refunds, rights of recovery, rights of setoff, counterclaims, defenses, demands, warranty claims, or similar rights of the Seller (at any time or in any manner arising or existing, whether choate or inchoate, known or unknown, now existing or hereafter acquired, contingent or noncontingent) (collectively, "Actions") and rights of recovery with respect to any of the foregoing, including all Actions and rights of recovery of the Debtor against the Buyer or any of its respective Affiliates, but excluding in the case of Actions and rights of recovery against any other Person, any Actions under Section 544, 545, 547, 548, 549, 550 or 553 of the Code.

(xiii)all rights of the Seller under any Intellectual Property assignment, work-for-hire, assignment of inventions, non-disclosure or confidentiality, non-compete, or non-solicitation agreements with current or former employees, directors, consultants, independent contractors and agents of the Seller; and

(xiv)the amount of, and all rights to any, insurance proceeds received by the Seller after the date hereof in respect of (x) the loss, destruction or condemnation of any of the other Purchased Assets, occurring prior to, on or after the Closing or (y) any of the Assumed Liabilities.

(xv)All guarantees, warranties, indemnities, and similar rights in favor of Seller with respect to any of the Purchased Assets.

#### 2.2. Excluded Assets.

(a) Notwithstanding the foregoing, all other assets of Seller that are not Purchased Assets shall not be conveyed to Buyer and shall be excluded from the definition of Purchased Assets, including, but not limited to, the following (collectively, including the items listed below, the "Excluded Assets"):

(i)Employee Benefit Plans. All employee benefit plans, including, without limitation, employee pension plans, profit sharing 401(k) plans, medical benefit or health plans and trusts, and related trust accounts, funds, insurance policies, investments, or other assets, and any sale bonus or retention agreements.

(ii)Corporate and other Records Regarding Excluded Assets. All minute books, seals, stock records, tax returns and tax records, and all other books and records related to the Excluded Assets listed in this Section 2.2.

(iii)Claims. Rights of recovery against any Person, other than Buyer, of any actions under sections 544, 545, 547, 548, 549, 550 or 553 of the Code.

#### 2.3. Assumed Liabilities.

(a)At Closing, Buyer shall not assume or be responsible for any of Seller's or any of Seller's shareholders', directors', officers', affiliates', creditors' or parent or subsidiary companies' liabilities, obligations or duties whatsoever, except with respect to any assumed liabilities of the Assigned Contracts, but only to the extent that such liabilities thereunder are required to be performed after the Closing Date, were incurred in the ordinary course of business, and do not relate to any Cure Amounts, either asserted or unasserted, known or unknown, filed or unfiled, liquidated or to be liquidated, and determined or to be determined by the Bankruptcy Court, or to any failure to perform, improper performance, warranty or other breach, default or violation by Seller on or prior to the Closing (the "Assumed Liabilities").

(b)Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as an attempt to assign, and Buyer shall not assume any liabilities or obligations with respect to, any Contract, lease, or agreement intended to be included in the Purchased Assets that by applicable law is non-assignable, or that by its terms is non-assignable without the consent of the other party or parties thereto to the extent such party or parties assert in writing that such assignment is a breach of such Contract, lease or agreement as to which all the remedies for the enforcement thereof enjoyed by Seller would not, as a matter of law, pass to Buyer as an incident of the assignments provided for by this Agreement unless the Bankruptcy Court shall have determined that such Contract, lease, or agreement may be assigned notwithstanding the claim or objection of the counterparty that the Contract may not be assigned without its consent or approval. Seller shall, at the request and under the direction of Buyer, take all reasonable actions (including, without limitation, the appointment of Buyer or Buyer as attorney-in-fact for Seller) and do or cause to be done all such things as shall in the reasonable judgment of Buyer, and (ii) to facilitate receipt of the consideration to be received by Seller under such Contracts shall be preserved for the benefit of Buyer, and (ii) to facilitate receipt of the consideration to be received by Seller in and under every such Contract, which consideration shall be held for the benefit of, and shall be delivered to, Buyer. Nothing in this Section 2.3 shall be deemed a waiver by Buyer of its right to receive an effective assignment of the Purchased Assets on the Closing Date, nor shall this Section 2.3 be deemed to constitute an agreement to exclude from the Purchased Assets any assets described in this Section 2.3.

**2.4.** Excluded Liabilities. Notwithstanding the terms of Section 2.3 or any other provision in this Agreement to the contrary, Buyer shall not assume, and under no circumstances shall Buyer be obligated to pay, discharge, perform or assume any debt, obligation, expense or liability of Seller or any of its Affiliates that is not an Assumed Liability (whether express or implied, fixed or contingent, known or unknown, or whether the liabilities could be asserted against or imposed upon Buyer as successors or transferees of a Seller as an acquirer of the Purchased Assets under any legal principle) (collectively, the "Excluded Liabilities"). For the avoidance of doubt, any Cure Amounts, regardless of when the obligation to pay such Cure Amounts arise, and any liabilities related to the operation of the Business including, but not limited to, employee obligations, pension obligations, Small Business Administration obligations, environmental liabilities attributable to Seller or Seller's use, possession or ownership of the Purchased Assets (regardless of when such liabilities arise), or any other liabilities of the Business are Excluded Liabilities. Seller shall, and shall cause its Affiliates to, as applicable, pay and satisfy in due course

all Excluded Liabilities which they are obligated to pay and satisfy. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Excluded Liabilities shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- (a) any liabilities owed by Seller to an Affiliate of the Seller;
- (b) any and all Liens arising under the U.S. Uniform Commercial Code not otherwise described herein ("UCC Liens");
- (c) any and all Liens listed on any title documents of the Purchased Assets ("Title Liens");
- (d)all trade payables, accounts payable and other current liabilities of Seller;
- (e) any liability of Seller arising out of or resulting from its compliance or noncompliance with any law, order, or regulation;
- (f)all liabilities and obligations relating to or arising from any Excluded Asset;
- (g)all liabilities and obligations relating to or arising from any storage or warehouse agreement to store Inventory or any asserted warehouse lien;
  - (h)any other liabilities arising out of or relating to the Business;
- (i)liabilities relating to any complaint, action, arbitration or regulatory, administrative, or government proceeding or investigation involving Seller or arising from actions of Seller or on or prior to the Closing Date;
  - (j)any liability to indemnify, defend, or hold harmless any of Seller's officers, directors, employees, or agents;
  - (k) all Indebtedness of Seller;
- (l)liabilities relating to all Taxes arising as a result of Seller's operation of the Business or ownership of the Purchased Assets prior to the Closing, and Taxes based on net income or attributable to sales or use that are assessed, accrued, or attributable for periods on or prior to the Closing Date and related penalties and interest, if any ("Tax Liabilities" and together with the UCC Liens, Title Liens, and any other liens, the "Liens"), including Taxes that have resulted in a tax lien;
- (m)liabilities to, under or with respect to any benefit plan and the administration of any benefit plan, or relating to payroll, vacation, sick leave, workers' compensation, unemployment benefits with respect to employees or former employees of Seller or any of its predecessors, under any employment, severance, retention, or termination agreement with any employee of Seller, or arising out of or relating to any employee claim or allegation whether or not the affected employees are hired by Buyer, including any amounts payable under and sale bonus or retention agreements and/or any disputes related thereto or relating to injuries suffered by employees prior to the Closing Date;

(n)any liability of Seller under any contract that is not an Assigned Contract; and

(o)any and all fees, costs and expenses (including legal fees, accounting fees, brokerage commissions, finders' fees or similar compensation to any Person) that have been incurred or that are incurred by Seller or any of its Affiliates in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or any prior attempted sale transaction or the Bankruptcy Case, including all fees, costs and expenses incurred in connection with or by virtue of the negotiation, preparation and review of this Agreement and all Ancillary Agreements and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements; provided, however this provision shall not prohibit any fees, costs or expenses from being paid from the proceeds received by or on behalf of Seller at Closing.

- **2.5.** <u>Deposit; Purchase Price</u>. The aggregate consideration to be paid for the Purchased Assets shall be a credit bid of the full amount of the Note Holder Obligation, \$2,589,416, plus \$127,000 in fees and costs, plus any additional amounts that accrue between May 1, 2023 and the Closing Date, and the Buyer Release (the "**Purchase Price**"). At the Closing, the Buyer shall pay the Purchase Price as follows:
- (a) the Buyer shall effect the Buyer Release by acknowledging in writing the full release and discharge of the Note Holder Obligations covered by the Buyer Release, through signature of this Agreement;
- 2.6. <u>Closing</u>. The consummation of the transactions provided for in this Agreement (the "Closing"), which shall be deemed to occur at 12:01 a.m. Eastern Time within five (5) Business Days of the date that all of the conditions precedent to Closing set forth in <u>Section 2.7</u> and <u>Section 2.8</u> have been satisfied and the Bankruptcy Court has entered the Final Sale Order or on such other date as the Parties may agree ("Closing Date"), shall take place via telephonic conferencing and electronic exchange of signature pages, or at such other time or place as the Parties may agree. The rights and obligations of the Parties if there is no Closing are set forth in <u>Section 8.1</u>. Title to all Purchased Assets shall pass from Seller to Buyer at Closing, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- **2.7.** Actions of Seller at Closing. At the Closing or within such other timeframes as specified below and unless otherwise waived in writing by Buyer, Seller shall deliver or cause to be delivered to Buyer the following, or take or cause to be taken the following actions:
- (a)a bill of sale and assignment in a form mutually agreeable to Buyer and Seller (the "Bill of Sale") duly executed by Seller in favor of Buyer;

(b)an assignment and assumption agreement in a form mutually agreeable to Buyer and Seller (the "Assignment and Assumption") duly executed by Seller in favor of Buyer to be held in escrow until the Cure Amounts are determined to be \$0 in accordance with the Bid Procedures Order;

(c)a copy of the Final Sale Order, which shall include language specifically authorizing the sale of the Purchased Assets free and clear of all Encumbrances;

- (d)current contact information, passwords, logins and other information for and relating to: (i) any Purchased Asset being held, stored, maintained or otherwise by a third party; and (ii) whether such party may assert a claim or lien against any Purchased Asset:
  - (e)a duly completed and executed IRS Form W-9 of Seller;
- (f)such other documents or instruments as Buyer reasonably requests and are reasonably necessary to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement;
- (g)Seller must have provided notice of the filing of the sale motion to all Lien holders of record that the sale to Buyer of the Purchased Assets is free and clear of all Liens; and
- (h)Seller authorizes Buyer to file UCC terminations and other terminations of the Liens on behalf of the Lien holders with respect to the Purchased Assets, to the extent permitted by law.
- **2.8.** Actions of Buyer at Closing. At the Closing and unless otherwise waived in writing by Seller, Buyer shall deliver or cause to be delivered to Seller the following:
  - (a) the Buyer Release in accordance with Section 2.5(a);
  - (b)the Bill of Sale duly executed by Buyer; and
  - (c)the Assignment and Assumption duly executed by Buyer, if applicable. 2.9. Risk of Loss.
- (a) The risk of loss or damage to any of the Purchased Assets shall remain with Seller until the Closing Date, and Seller shall maintain its insurance policies covering such Purchased Assets through the Closing Date.
- (b)To the extent applicable, Seller, upon request and proof of loss by Buyer, must assign, transfer and set over to Buyer all of Seller's right, title and interest to any insurance proceeds on account of damage or destruction to a Purchased Asset.

# ARTICLE III REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF SELLER

Seller represents and warrants to Buyer that the statements contained in this <u>ARTICLE III</u> are true and correct as of the Effective Date and as of the Closing:

### 3.1. Capacity, Authority and Governmental Consents.

(a) Seller is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the state of its incorporation with the requisite power and authority to enter into this Agreement, to perform its obligations hereunder and to conduct its business as now being conducted. Subject to the entry of the Sale Order, the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and all

Ancillary Agreements to which Seller is or will become a party and the actions to be taken by Seller in connection with the consummation of the transactions contemplated herein:

- (i) are within the powers of Seller, are not in contravention of applicable law or the terms of the Governing Documents of Seller and have been duly authorized by all appropriate action;
- (ii)have been duly authorized by all actions and proceedings on behalf of Seller, and no other actions or proceedings on the part of Seller, its board of directors or equity holders are necessary;
- (iii)except as otherwise expressly herein provided, to Seller's reasonable knowledge, do not require any approval or consent of, or filing with, any third party or any Governmental Authority; and
  - (iv)to Seller's reasonable knowledge, will not violate any law to which Seller is subject.
- (b) Subject to the entry of the Sale Order, the execution, delivery and performance by Seller of this Agreement and all Ancillary Agreements to which Seller is or will become a party, consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or such Ancillary Agreements and compliance with the terms of this Agreement or such Ancillary Agreements will not give rise to a right of termination, modification, cancellation or acceleration of any Assigned Contracts.
- **3.2.** <u>Binding Agreement</u>. Subject to the entry of the Sale Order, this Agreement and all Ancillary Agreements to which Seller is or will become a party are and will constitute the valid and legally binding obligations of Seller, and are and will be enforceable against Seller in accordance with the respective terms hereof or thereof, except as enforceability may be restricted, limited or delayed by applicable bankruptcy or other laws affecting creditors' rights generally and except as enforceability may be subject to general principles of equity.

# 3.3. Condition and Sufficiency of Assets.

- (a) Seller has good and valid title, sole ownership, custody and control of all of the Purchased Assets with the full right to sell or dispose of the Purchased Assets subject to approval of the Bankruptcy Court.
- (b)To Seller's reasonable knowledge, Seller has no undischarged obligations affecting the Purchased Assets being sold under this Agreement and no Encumbrances, liens or security interests exist against the Purchased Assets being sold under this Agreement, other than those to be discharged in the Sale Order.
- (c)Subject to the entry of the Sale Order, Seller has the power and the right to sell, assign and transfer the Purchased Assets, free and clear of all Encumbrances.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the sale of the Purchased Assets will be "as is" and "where is" to Buyer.

- **3.4.** <u>Brokers</u>. Neither Seller nor any of its Affiliates has employed or retained any broker, finder or agent to act on their behalf in connection with this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby, or incurred any liability to any broker, finder or agent for any brokerage fees, finder's fees, commissions or other amounts with respect to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.
- **3.5.** <u>International Compliance</u>. Seller has conducted the Business in all material respects in accordance with all U.S. and other applicable customs, export control, economic sanctions, anticorruption and anti-bribery laws and regulations (the "Compliance Requirements"). Seller has maintained all applicable authorizations, licenses, permits, and other records regarding the Business required to be maintained in Seller's possession under all applicable Compliance Requirements. Any Permits used or required pursuant to Compliance Requirements in connection with the Business are listed on <u>Schedule 3.5</u>.
- **3.6.** Full Disclosure. No representation or warranty by Seller in this Agreement or any certificate or other document furnished or to be furnished to Buyer pursuant to this Agreement, or filed with the Bankruptcy Court in the Bankruptcy Case, contains any untrue statement of a material fact, or omits to state a material fact necessary to make the statements contained therein, in light of the circumstances in which they are made, not misleading.

# ARTICLE IV REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF BUYER

Buyer represents and warrants to Seller that the following statements are true and correct as of the Effective Date and as of the Closing:

**4.1.** Capacity, Authority and Consents. Buyer is duly organized and validly existing in good standing under the laws of the state of its formation with the requisite power and authority to enter into this Agreement, to perform its obligations hereunder and to conduct its business as now being conducted. The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and all Ancillary Agreements to which Buyer is or will become a party and the actions to be taken by Buyer in connection with the consummation of the transactions contemplated herein:

(a) are within the corporate powers of Buyer, are not in contravention of applicable law or the terms of the Governing Documents of Buyer and have been duly authorized by all appropriate action;

(b)have been duly authorized by all actions and proceedings on behalf of Buyer, and no other actions or proceedings on the part of Buyer or its governing body or equity holders are necessary;

(c)other than the approval of the Bankruptcy Court and the board of directors of the Buyer, do not require any approval or consent of, or filing with, any third party or any Governmental Authority; and

(d)will not violate any law to which Buyer is subject.

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- **4.2.** <u>Binding Agreement</u>. This Agreement and all Ancillary Agreements to which Buyer is or will become a party are and will constitute the valid and legally binding obligations of Buyer, and are and will be enforceable against Buyer in accordance with the respective terms hereof or thereof, except as enforceability may be restricted, limited or delayed by applicable bankruptcy or other laws affecting creditors' rights generally and except as enforceability may be subject to general principles of equity.
- **4.3.** <u>Brokers</u>. Neither Buyer nor any of its Affiliates has employed or retained any broker, finder or agent to act on its behalf in connection with this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby, or incurred any liability to any broker, finder or agent for any brokerage fees, finder's fees, commissions or other amounts with respect to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.

# ARTICLE V COVENANTS OF THE PARTIES PRIOR TO CLOSING

- **5.1.** <u>Cooperation</u>. Each of the Parties shall cooperate with each other, and shall use their commercially reasonable efforts to cause their respective Representatives to cooperate with each other, to provide an orderly transition of the Purchased Assets and Assumed Liabilities from Sellers to Buyer and to minimize the disruption to the Business resulting from the contemplated transactions.
- **5.2.** Access. From and after the Effective Date until the Closing or the earlier termination of this Agreement (the "Interim Period"), at the reasonable request of Buyer and upon reasonable advance notice, Seller shall, during normal business hours, give or cause to be given to Buyer and the Representatives of Buyer: (i) full access to the management personnel, property, accounts, books, deeds, title papers, insurance policies, licenses, agreements, contracts, commitments, logs, records and files of every character, related to the Purchased Assets, and (ii) all such other information as Buyer may reasonably request, all as it relates to the Purchased Assets. Buyer shall have the right to have the Purchased Assets inspected by Buyer or Buyer's Representatives for purposes of determining the physical condition and legal characteristics of the tangible personal property. For the avoidance of doubt, other than with respect to any notice required to be given to Seller and as a precondition to any inspection, review, assessment, interview, test or audit (each an "Assessment"), which may be conducted by Buyer or its Representatives pursuant to this Agreement, Buyer and its Representatives shall coordinate and communicate directly with the Representatives of Seller and in connection with the scheduling and undertaking, and the disclosure of the outcome or results, of any such Assessment.
- **5.3.** Consents and Approvals. Seller shall use commercially reasonable efforts, at its sole cost and expense, to obtain any and all consents and approvals necessary to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby (Seller believes that except for Bankruptcy Court approval, no

other consent is required to be obtained in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby).

- **5.4.** Operating Covenants. During the Interim Period, except with the prior written consent of Buyer or as required by this Agreement or a Bankruptcy Court Order, Seller shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to:
- (a)maintain the Purchased Assets in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice, provided, however, that Buyer understands and agrees that Seller's business operations are severely restricted as of and prior to the Effective Date due to a lack of liquidity; and
- (b)maintain the goodwill and preserve its relationships with suppliers, customers and others having business relations with the Business.
- **5.5.** <u>Negative Covenants</u>. During the Interim Period, except as required by law or as ordered by the Bankruptcy Court, and without limiting the generality of <u>Section 5.4</u>, Seller shall not, with respect to the Purchased Assets, without the prior written consent of Buyer:
  - (a) amend, modify, reject or terminate (other than at its stated expiration date) any of the Contracts;
  - (b)sell, assign, lease, convey, mortgage, license, encumber or otherwise transfer or dispose of any Purchased Assets;
- (c)transfer or otherwise relocate any of the Purchased Assets to locations owned by third parties other than in the ordinary course of business;
  - (d)permit any insurance policy naming Seller as a beneficiary or a loss payable payee to be canceled or terminated; or
  - (e)authorize, agree, resolve or consent to any of the foregoing.
- 5.6. Seller Release. Effective upon the Closing, the Seller, on behalf of itself, its Bankruptcy Estate, and its past, present and future subsidiaries, parents, divisions, Affiliates, agents, representatives, insurers, attorneys, successors and assigns, all solely in such capacity, (collectively, the "Seller Releasing Parties"), hereby release, remise, acquit and forever discharge (i) the Buyer and its past, present and future subsidiaries, parents, divisions, Affiliates, agents, representatives, insurers, attorneys, successors and assigns, and each of its and their respective directors, managers, officers, employees, shareholders, members, agents, representatives, attorneys, contractors, subcontractors, independent contractors, owners, insurance companies and partners (collectively, the "Buyer Released Parties"), from any and all claims, Contracts, demands, causes of action, disputes, controversies, suits, cross-claims, torts, losses, attorneys' fees and expenses, obligations, agreements, covenants, damages, Liabilities, costs and expenses (collectively, "Disputes") arising on or prior to the Closing Date, whether known or unknown, whether anticipated or unanticipated, whether claimed or suspected, whether fixed or contingent, whether yet accrued or not, whether damage has resulted or not, whether at law or in equity, whether arising out of agreement or imposed by statute, common law of any kind, nature, or

description, including, without limitation as to any of the foregoing, any claim by way of indemnity or contribution, which any Seller Releasing Party has, may have had or may hereafter assert against any Buyer Released Party and (ii) any claim, right or interest of Sellers (whether known or unknown, whether anticipated or unanticipated, whether claimed or suspected, whether fixed or contingent, whether yet accrued or not, whether at law or in equity, whether arising out of agreement or imposed by statute, common law of any kind, nature, or description) in the Purchased Assets; provided, that notwithstanding the foregoing, Seller Releasing Parties do not in any event release Buyer from its obligations under this Agreement or the Ancillary Agreements, including the Assumed Liabilities. In addition, if Seller files a Plan, such Plan shall be consistent with this Agreement in all respects and will include releases and exculpation provisions in favor of Buyer Released Parties to the maximum extent permitted by law. The Seller agrees, on behalf of each Seller Releasing Party, that the release in this Section 5.6 applies not only to Disputes that are presently known, suspected, or disclosed to such Seller, but also to Disputes that are presently unknown, unsuspected, or undisclosed to such Seller. The Seller acknowledges that each Seller Releasing Party is assuming the risk that the facts may turn out to be different from what such Seller Releasing Party believes them to be and agrees that the release in this Section 5.6 shall be in all respects effective and not subject to termination or rescission because of such mistaken belief.

5.7. Buyer Release. Effective upon the Closing, the Buyer, on behalf of itself, and its past, present and future subsidiaries, parents, divisions, Affiliates, agents, representatives, insurers, attorneys, successors and assigns, all solely in such capacity, (collectively, the "Buyer Releasing Parties"), hereby release, remise, acquit and forever discharge (i) the Seller and its Bankruptcy Estate, its past, present and future subsidiaries, parents, divisions, Affiliates, agents, representatives, insurers, attorneys, successors and assigns, and each of its and their respective directors, managers, officers, employees, shareholders, members, agents, representatives, attorneys, contractors, subcontractors, independent contractors, owners, insurance companies and partners (collectively, the "Seller Released Parties"), from any and all claims, Contracts, demands, causes of action, disputes, controversies, suits, cross-claims, torts, losses, attorneys' fees and expenses, obligations, agreements, covenants, damages, Liabilities, costs and expenses (collectively, "Disputes") arising on or prior to the Closing Date, whether known or unknown, whether anticipated or unanticipated, whether claimed or suspected, whether fixed or contingent, whether yet accrued or not, whether damage has resulted or not, whether at law or in equity, whether arising out of agreement or imposed by statute, common law of any kind, nature, or description, including, without limitation as to any of the foregoing, any claim by way of indemnity or contribution, which any Buyer Releasing Party has, may have had or may hereafter assert against any Seller Released Party and (ii) any claim, right or interest of Buyer (whether known or unknown, whether anticipated or unanticipated, whether claimed or suspected, whether fixed or contingent, whether yet accrued or not, whether at law or in equity, whether arising out of agreement or imposed by statute, common law of any kind, nature, or description) in the Excluded Assets; provided, that notwithstanding the foregoing, Buyer Releasing Parties do not in any event release Seller from its obligations under this Agreement or the Ancillary Agreements, including the Assumed Liabilities, if any. The Buyer agrees, on behalf of each Buyer Releasing Party, that the release in this Section 5.6 applies not only to Disputes that are presently known, suspected, or disclosed to such Buyer, but also to Disputes that are presently unknown, unsuspected, or undisclosed to such Buyer. The Buyer acknowledges that each Buyer Releasing Party is assuming the risk that the facts may turn out to be different from what such Buyer Releasing Party believes

them to be and agrees that the release in this <u>Section 5.6</u> shall be in all respects effective and not subject to termination or rescission because of such mistaken belief.

#### 5.8. Bankruptcy Court Approval; Executory Contracts; Sale Procedures.

(a)Seller filed the Sale Motion on May 1, 2023, seeking approval of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, under the applicable bidding procedures and to the extent required by Sections 363 and 365 and all other applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code. Seller shall use reasonable efforts to obtain the entry of the Sale Order. Seller shall promptly provide Buyer with copies or any responses or objections (either formal or informal) to the Sale Motion. Buyer shall take such actions as are reasonably requested by Seller to assist Seller in obtaining a finding by the Bankruptcy Court that Buyer is deemed to have purchased the Purchased Assets in good faith pursuant to Section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code.

(b) Pursuant to the Bid Procedures Order and Sale Notice entered May 20, 2023 [Dkt. No. 62], the Buyer shall have until five (5) business days after the Sale Hearing to provide the Seller with list of proposed Assigned Contracts. Within one (1) business day thereafter, the Seller shall serve on all non-Seller contract counterparties to all of the proposed Assigned Contracts a notice specifically stating that the Seller is seeking the assumption of assignment of such Assigned Contracts, and that the associated Cure Amounts are \$0. A Cure Objection (as defined in the Bid Procedures Order) is due within fourteen (14) days of receiving the Sale Notice. If no Cure Objection is received, any objection to the assumption and assignment or Cure Amounts is deemed waived.

(c)The Sale Order shall approve the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, including, but not limited to, the sale of all of the Purchased Assets **free and clear of all Encumbrances**, including, but not limited to, the Tax Liabilities, UCC Liens and Title Liens, and shall, without limitation, contain findings of fact and conclusions of law that: (I) Buyer is a good faith purchaser entitled to the protections of Section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code and the sale contemplated by this Agreement does not violate and is not subject to avoidance under Section 363(n) of the Bankruptcy Code; (II) all of the requirements of Sections 363 and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code have been satisfied; (III) any Encumbrances on the Purchased Assets shall attach to the proceeds received by Seller pursuant to this Agreement and to the extent, and with the same validity, priority, perfection and enforceability, as such Encumbrances had with respect to the Purchased Assets; (IV) notice of the hearing on the transactions contemplated by this Agreement was (A) given to all holders of claims (as defined in Section 101 of the Bankruptcy Code) or interests entitled to receive such notice under, and in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code and the Bankruptcy Rules, and (B) constitutes such notice as is appropriate under the particular circumstances and in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code and applicable law; (V) neither Buyer nor its designees shall be considered successors of Seller or any of Seller's Affiliates, except as expressly assumed in writing by Buyer pursuant to this Agreement; and (VI) include provisions for the Bankruptcy Court's retention of jurisdiction over matters arising out of or related to this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby.

(d)Seller has requested that the Bankruptcy Court hold a hearing approving the sale of the Purchased Assets on June 1, 2023 (the "Sale Hearing"), with the Sale Order to be entered

within five (5) day after the Sale Hearing, which shall be in form and substance satisfactory to the Buyer.

- (e)The Closing shall take place in accordance with <u>Section 2.6</u>. The Closing may be extended upon mutual written agreement of the Parties.
- (f)In the event an appeal is taken, or a stay pending appeal is requested or reconsideration is sought, from the Sale Order, and Buyer has not also been served with papers related to such appeal, stay or reconsideration, Seller shall promptly notify Buyer of such appeal or stay request and shall provide to Buyer within one (1) Business Day a copy of the related notice of appeal or order of stay or application for reconsideration. Seller shall also provide Buyer with written notice (and copies) of, any other or further notice of appeal, motion or application filed in connection with any appeal from or application for reconsideration of, either of such orders and any related briefs if Buyer is not also included on such additional documents and communications.
- (g)Any terms or conditions of any Plan that relate to or affect any Purchased Assets or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement shall be in form and substance satisfactory to Buyer.
- (h)Counsel for Seller shall promptly notify (i) counsel for Buyer; (ii) all entities that claim any interest in or lien upon the Purchased Assets; (iii) all parties entitled to notice pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules and orders of the Bankruptcy Court; (iv) all creditors (whether liquidated, contingent or unmatured) of Seller; (v) the Office of the United States Trustee; and (vi) any party that has filed a notice of appearance in the Bankruptcy case of all motions, notices and orders required to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, including the Sale Motion and the Sale Order. At least three (3) Business Days prior to filing any papers or pleadings in the Bankruptcy Cases that relate primarily to this Agreement or Buyer, Seller shall provide Buyer's counsel with a copy of such papers or pleadings for review and comments. Seller shall consider such changes thereto as reasonably requested by Buyer's counsel.
- **5.9.** <u>Confidentiality</u>. Following the Closing, Seller shall, and shall cause its Affiliates to, keep confidential and not disclose to any other Person or use for its own benefit or the benefit of any other Person any confidential information regarding the Purchased Assets or other intellectual property regarding Buyer; <u>provided that</u> the Parties understand this Agreement and other related documents will be attached to the sale pleading to be filed with the Bankruptcy Court.
- **5.10.** Permits. Prior to Closing, Seller shall use reasonable best efforts to seek entry of the Sale Order, which provides, in part, that the Bankruptcy Court authorizes and directs the transfer to Buyer of any Permit of Seller with respect to the Purchased Assets at the Closing.

### ARTICLE VI CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO BUYER CLOSING

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the obligation of Buyer to consummate the transactions described herein is subject to the fulfillment, as of the Closing, of the following conditions precedent unless (but only to the extent) waived in writing by Buyer on or prior to the Closing:

#### 6.1. Representations and Warranties; Covenants.

- (a) The Fundamental Representations shall be true and correct in all respects as of the Effective Date and the Closing Date, as though made as of the Closing Date (except for representations and warranties which address matters only as of a specific date, which representations and warranties shall continue as of the Closing Date to be true and correct as of such specific date).
- (b) The representations of Seller contained in <u>ARTICLE III</u> hereof (other than the Fundamental Representations), shall be true and correct in all material respects (without giving effect to any "materiality," "in all material respects," "Material Adverse Effect" or similar qualifiers) as of the Effective Date and the Closing Date as though made on the Closing Date (except for representations and warranties which address matters only as of a specific date, which representations and warranties shall continue as of the Closing Date to be true and correct as of such specific dates).
- (c)All of the covenants, agreements and other obligations in this Agreement to be complied with or performed by Seller on or before the Closing Date pursuant to the terms hereof shall have been duly complied with and performed in all material respects (without giving effect to any "materiality," "in all material respects," "Material Adverse Effect" or similar qualifiers).
- (d)All Closing conditions as set forth in this <u>ARTICLE VI</u> and listed in <u>Section 2.7</u> must be met before Buyer releases the Seller.
- **6.2.** <u>Actions and Proceedings</u>. No Governmental Authority shall have issued any Order or enacted any law that is then in effect and that enjoins, restrains, makes illegal or otherwise prohibits the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, and no Action, claim or investigation seeking to enjoin, restrain or prohibit the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement shall be pending.
- **6.3.** <u>Material Adverse Effect</u>. From the Effective Date, there shall not have occurred any Material Adverse Effect, nor shall any event or events have occurred that, individually or in the aggregate, with or without the lapse of time, could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- **6.4.** <u>Buyer's Due Diligence</u>. Buyer has completed its due diligence investigation of the Purchased Assets, and Closing is not subject to further due diligence investigation.
- **6.5.** <u>Bankruptcy Court Approval; No Inconsistency</u>. The Sale Order shall have been entered by the Bankruptcy Court and shall not have been (a) vacated, stayed or reversed or (b) (except with the express written consent of Buyer, or as would not be adverse to Buyer in any material respect) amended, supplemented or otherwise modified. There shall be no Order (including, but not limited to, the Sale Procedures Order) entered in the Bankruptcy Cases that is inconsistent with

the terms of this Agreement, the Ancillary Agreements or the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby.

**6.6.** <u>Closing Deliveries</u>. Seller shall have executed and delivered, or caused to have been executed and delivered, to Buyer the documents and items described in Section 2.7.

# ARTICLE VII CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO SELLER CLOSING

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the obligations of Seller to consummate the transactions described herein are subject to the fulfillment, as of the Closing, of the following conditions precedent unless (but only to the extent) waived in writing by Seller on or prior to the Closing:

# 7.1. Representations and Warranties; Covenants.

- (a) The representations and warranties of Buyer contained in this Agreement shall be true and correct in all material respects (without giving effect to any "materiality," "in all material respects," "material adverse effect" or similar qualifiers) as of the Effective Date and as of the Closing Date (except for representations and warranties which address matters only as of a specific date, which representations and warranties shall continue as of the Closing Date to be true and correct as of such specific date).
- (b)All of the covenants, agreements and other obligations in this Agreement to be complied with or performed by Buyer on or before the Closing pursuant to the terms hereof shall have been duly complied with and performed in all material respects (without giving effect to any "materiality," "in all material respects," "material adverse effect" or similar qualifiers).
- **7.2.** <u>Actions and Proceedings</u>. No Governmental Authority shall have issued any Order or enacted any law that is then in effect and that enjoins, restrains, makes illegal or otherwise prohibits the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, and no Action, claim or investigation seeking to enjoin, restrain or prohibit the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement shall be pending.
- **7.3.** <u>Closing Deliveries</u>. Buyer shall have executed and delivered, or caused to have been executed and delivered, to Seller the documents and items described in Section 2.8.

# ARTICLE VIII ADDITIONAL AGREEMENTS

#### 8.1. Termination Prior to Closing.

- (a) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, this Agreement may be terminated and the transactions contemplated hereby may be abandoned at any time prior to the Closing and in no other manner:
  - (i) by the mutual written consent of Buyer and Seller;

- (ii) by Buyer, if Seller breaches or fails to perform in any respect any of its representations, warranties, agreements, covenants or other obligations contained in this Agreement and such breach or failure to perform would, if the Closing otherwise were to occur on the date of written notice of such breach or failure to perform, give rise to the failure of a condition set forth in Section 6.1 that is incapable of being cured by the Closing Date;
- (iii) by Seller, if Buyer breaches or fails to perform in any respect any of its representations, warranties, agreements, covenants or other obligations contained in this Agreement and such breach or failure to perform would, if the Closing otherwise were to occur on the date of written notice of such breach or failure to perform, give rise to the failure of a condition set forth in Section 7.1 that is incapable of being cured by the Closing Date;
- (iv) by Buyer after the Termination Date, if the Closing shall not have occurred by such date, provided that the right to terminate this Agreement under this Section 8.1(a)(iv) shall not be available to Buyer if the breach of or inaccuracy in any representation or warranty or breach of or failure to perform any covenant, agreement or other obligation of Buyer set forth in this Agreement has been the primary cause of or resulted in the failure of the Closing to occur on or prior to such date; or
  - (v) by Buyer or Seller immediately upon the occurrence of any of the following events:
    - 1.the Bankruptcy Court approves any closing of an Alternative Transaction;
    - 2.the dismissal or conversion of the Bankruptcy Case to a case under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code or the granting of relief from the automatic stay with respect to any of the Purchased Assets; or
    - 3.the Sale Order is not entered within five (5) days after the Sale Hearing.
- (vi) The Party seeking to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this <u>Section 8.1(a)</u> (other than <u>Section 8.1(a)(i)</u>) shall give prompt written notice of such termination to the other Party. Buyer shall be permitted to provide any notice under this Agreement in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, notwithstanding the existence of the Bankruptcy Case or the automatic stay.
- (b) In the event of any termination of this Agreement by either Buyer or Seller as provided in <u>Section 8.1(a)</u>, this Agreement shall forthwith become void, and there shall be no liability on the part of any Party or any of its or their Affiliates to any other Person resulting from, arising out of, relating to, or in connection with this Agreement or any other document related to the transactions contemplated herein except that:

- (i) all rights and obligations of the Parties set forth in this <u>Section 8.1(b)</u> and <u>ARTICLE I</u>, <u>ARTICLE IX</u> and the Sale Order (if entered) shall survive termination of this Agreement.
- **8.2.** Post-Closing Filings and Access to Information. After the Closing, each Party shall promptly deliver to any other Party, upon reasonable request of such other Party, copies of any post-Closing filings, financial statements or reports regarding the Purchased Assets, the Assumed Liabilities, the Excluded Assets or the Excluded Liabilities that may be reasonably necessary for such other Party to prepare and deliver any filings or reports required to be delivered to any Governmental Authority as a result of the consummation of the transactions described herein, in each case at the sole cost and expense of the requesting Party.
- **8.3.** Refunds and Remittances. After the Closing: (a) if Seller or any of its Affiliates receive any refund or other amount that is a Purchased Asset or is otherwise properly due and owing to Buyer in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, Seller promptly shall remit, or shall cause to be remitted, such amount to Buyer; and (b) if Buyer or any of its Affiliates receives any refund or other amount that is an Excluded Asset or is otherwise properly due and owing to Seller or any of its Affiliates in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, Buyer promptly shall remit, or shall cause to be remitted, such amount to Seller.
- **8.4.** Availability of Business Records. From and after the Closing, Buyer shall (i) reasonably promptly provide to Sellers and their respective Representatives (after reasonable notice and during normal business hours) access to records included in the Purchased Assets for periods prior to the Closing to the extent such access is necessary in order for Sellers (as applicable) to comply with this Agreement, the Ancillary Agreements, and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, applicable law or any Contract to which it is a party, for liquidation, winding up, Tax reporting or other proper purposes (as determined by the applicable Seller in good faith) and so long as such access is subject to an obligation of confidentiality acceptable to the Buyer, and (ii) shall preserve such records until the latest of (A) seven years after the Closing Date, (B) the required retention period for all government contact information, records or documents or (C) the conclusion of all bankruptcy proceedings relating to the Bankruptcy Cases. Such reasonable access shall include reasonable access to information in electronic form to the extent reasonably available. Buyer acknowledges that Sellers have the right to retain originals or copies of all records included in the Purchased Assets for periods prior to the Closing. Notwithstanding the foregoing or any other provision of this Agreement, nothing in this Agreement shall require Buyer to disclose or make available to Seller any information subject to the attorney-client, attorney work product, consulting-only expert, or similar privilege.

#### 8.5. Assurances.

(a) Any time or from time to time following the Closing Date, if (x) any of the Parties or their respective Affiliates becomes aware that any of the Purchased Assets have not been transferred to Buyer or that any of the Excluded Assets have been transferred to a Buyer, or (y) Seller or any of Seller's Affiliates receives or otherwise possesses any asset that should have been transferred to Buyer under this Agreement, such Person shall promptly notify the other and the Parties shall, as soon as reasonably practicable, ensure that such property is transferred with any necessary prior third-party consent or approval, to:

- (i)Buyer, in the case of any Purchased Asset which was not transferred at the Closing or otherwise as set forth above; or
  - (ii) Seller, in the case of any Excluded Asset which was transferred at the Closing.
- (b) Prior to any transfer pursuant to Section 8.5(a), the Person in receipt of or then possessing such asset shall hold such asset in trust for such other Person, shall exercise, enforce and exploit, only at the direction of and for the benefit of such other Person, any and all claims, rights and benefits arising in connection with such asset, shall promptly pay, assign and remit to such other Person when received all monies and other consideration relating to such asset in the period after the Closing Date, and, to the extent applicable, provide the Person that should possess such asset pursuant to the terms of this Agreement a royalty-free license to use or shall otherwise be able to obtain the benefits from the asset and shall hold such asset in trust for such other Person.
- **8.6.** Public Announcement. Subject to the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code and Seller's right to make such filings and disclosures as it in good faith deems necessary or appropriate in connection with the Bankruptcy Case, neither Party hereto shall make or issue, or cause to be made or issued, any public announcement or written statement concerning this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby, without the prior written consent of the other Party hereto (which will not be unreasonably withheld or delayed), unless counsel to such Party advises that such announcement or statement is required by law (such as an obligation to disclose under federal securities laws of the United States), in which case the Parties hereto shall make reasonable efforts to consult with each other prior to such required announcement.

### 8.7. Taxes; Final Sales Tax Return.

(a) Taxes. Seller shall be responsible for all Taxes in connection with, relating to or arising out of the Business or the ownership of the Purchased Assets, or the Assumed Liabilities attributable to taxable periods, or portions thereof, ending on or before the Closing, which Taxes shall be an Excluded Liability. All state and local sales and use Taxes, to the extent attributable to periods prior to the Closing, shall be paid or otherwise discharged by Seller, including any and all sales or transfer taxes incurred or owed as a result of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

### (b) Filings and Cooperation.

- (i)Seller shall be responsible for filing or causing to be filed and paying all federal income Taxes of or payable by Seller and all state, local, provincial and foreign income Taxes with respect to which Seller is required to file for all taxable periods ending on or prior to the Closing Date.
- (ii)Seller and Buyer shall: (A) provide the other with such assistance as may reasonably be requested by either of them in connection with the preparation of any tax return, any audit or other examination by any taxing authority or any judicial or administrative proceeding with respect to Taxes; (B) retain and provide the other with any records or other information which may be relevant to such return, audit, examination or proceeding; and (C) provide the other with any final determination of any such audit or

examination proceeding or determination that affects any amount required to be shown on any tax return of the other for any period (which shall be maintained confidentially).

**8.8.** Waiver of Bulk Sales Law Compliance. The Parties hereby waive compliance with the provisions of any bulk sales, bulk transfer or similar laws of any jurisdiction that may otherwise be applicable with respect to the sale of any or all of the Purchased Assets to Buyer; it being understood that any liabilities arising out of the failure of Seller to comply with the requirements and provisions of any bulk sales, bulk transfer or similar laws of any jurisdiction which would not otherwise constitute Assumed Liabilities shall be treated as Excluded Liabilities.

# ARTICLE IX GENERAL PROVISIONS

- **9.1.** <u>Survival</u>. Except as set forth in <u>Section 8.1</u>, the representations and warranties, covenants and agreements of the Seller contained herein shall survive the Closing indefinitely or for the period explicitly specified therein.
- **9.2.** Additional Assurances. The provisions of this Agreement shall be self-operative and shall not require further agreement by the Parties except as may be herein specifically provided to the contrary; provided, however, at the request and expense of a Party, the other Party shall execute such additional instruments and take such additional action as the requesting Party may reasonably deem necessary to effectuate this Agreement. In addition, from time to time after the Closing Date, Seller and Buyer shall each execute and deliver such other instruments of conveyance and transfer and take such other actions as the Party may reasonably request, to more effectively convey and transfer full right, title and interest to, vest in, and place Buyer in legal and actual possession of the Purchased Assets.

#### 9.3. Choice of Law; Venue.

(a) This Agreement and all disputes or controversies arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby (in contract or tort) shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, without regard to conflicts of law principles.

(b) WITHOUT LIMITING ANY PARTY'S RIGHT TO APPEAL ANY ORDER OF THE BANKRUPTCY COURT, THE PARTIES HEREBY AGREE THAT ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, ACTIONS, CAUSES OF ACTION, SUITS, AND PROCEEDINGS RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, THE ANCILLARY AGREEMENTS AND THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY AND THEREBY SHALL BE FILED AND MAINTAINED ONLY IN THE BANKRUPTCY COURT, AND THE PARTIES HEREBY CONSENT TO THE JURISDICTION OF SUCH COURT; provided, however, that if the Bankruptcy Case has closed or the Bankruptcy Court lacks jurisdiction for whatever reason, the Parties agree to unconditionally and irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the state or federal courts situated in New York, New York, and any appellate court from any decision thereof, for the resolution of any such claim or dispute. The Parties hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, any objection which they may have now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any such dispute brought in such court or any defense of inconvenient forum for the maintenance of such dispute. Each Party agrees that a judgment in any such dispute may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment.

(c)Each Party hereby consents to process being served by any Party to this Agreement in any legal proceeding by delivery of a copy thereof in accordance with the provisions of Section 9.7.

(d)EACH PARTY WAIVES ANY RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY ACTION, MATTER OR PROCEEDING REGARDING THIS AGREEMENT, THE ANCILLARY AGREEMENTS, OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY OR ANY PROVISION HEREOF OR THEREOF.

- **9.4.** Benefit, Assignment and Third-Party Beneficiaries. Subject to provisions herein to the contrary, this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Parties and their respective legal representatives, successors and assigns; provided, however, that no Party may assign this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other Party except that (a) Buyer may assign this Agreement and/or any of its rights hereunder to an Affiliate or any purchaser of substantially all of Buyer's business and (b) Buyer may collaterally assign its rights, but not its obligations, under this Agreement to any party that provides funding for the transactions hereunder as additional security for Buyer's obligations to such party, in each case, without the prior written consent of Seller. The Parties acknowledge that Buyer may assign ownership and title to certain of the Purchased Assets to certain designees of Buyer, such that more than one entity may own the Purchased Assets at Closing. This Agreement is intended solely for the benefit of the Parties and is not intended to, and shall not, create any enforceable third-party beneficiary rights except as expressly provided herein.
- **9.5.** Cost of Transaction. Except as may be provided to the contrary elsewhere herein: (a) Buyer shall pay the fees, expenses and disbursements incurred by Buyer and its Representatives in connection with the subject matter hereof and any amendments hereto; and (b) Seller shall pay the fees, expenses and disbursements incurred by Seller and its Representatives in connection with the subject matter hereof and any amendments hereto.
- **9.6.** Waiver of Breach. The waiver by any Party of a breach or violation of any provision of this Agreement shall not operate as, or be construed to constitute, a waiver of any subsequent breach of the same or any other provision hereof. Any agreement on the part of a Party to any such waiver shall be valid only if set forth in a written instrument executed and delivered by a duly authorized officer on behalf of such Party.
- **9.7.** Notice. Any notice, demand or communication required, permitted or desired to be given hereunder shall be in writing and deemed effectively given or made (a) when personally delivered, (b) on the date sent when delivered by facsimile or other electronic means (so long as written notice of such transmission is sent within two (2) Business Days thereafter by another delivery method hereunder) (unless not delivered on a Business Day or delivered after 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on a Business Day, in which case such delivery shall be deemed effective on the next succeeding Business Day), (c) one (1) Business Day following the date sent if sent by overnight courier with signed receipt, or (d) when delivered by registered United States mail, with postage prepaid and return receipt requested, addressed to the addresses below or to such other address as

any Party may designate, with copies thereof to the respective counsel thereof as notified by such Party.

#### Seller:

Symbiont.io, LLC c/o Laura Marcero, as CRO of Debtor Managing Director Mobile 248-320-6496 Imarcero@hcg.com

## With a copy to:

Robert K. Dakis Morrison and Teenenbaum PLLC 87 Walker Street, Fl. 2 New York, NY 10012 212-620-0938 rd@morr-law.com

## Buyer:

Counsel for Buyer Katherine R. Catanese Foley & Lardner, LLP 90 Park Avenue New York, NY 10016 212-338-3496 Kcatanese@foley.com

### With Copies to:

Christopher Taylor 1200 W. Platt Street, Suite 100 Tampa, FL 33606 Office (813) 222-8996 Ctaylor@LMFunding.com

**9.8.** Severability. In the event any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable for any reason and in any respect, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability

shall in no event affect, prejudice or disturb the validity of the remainder of this Agreement, which shall be and remain in full force and effect, enforceable in accordance with its terms.

- 9.9. Interpretation. In the interpretation of this Agreement, except where the context otherwise requires, (a) "including" or "include" does not denote or imply any limitation and shall mean "including, without limitation," whether or not so specified, (b) "or" has the inclusive meaning "and/or", (c) "and/or" means "or" and is used for emphasis only, (d) "\$" refers to United States dollars, (e) the singular includes the plural, and vice versa, and each gender includes each other gender, (f) captions or headings are only for reference and are not to be considered in interpreting this Agreement, (g) "Section" refers to a section of this Agreement, unless otherwise stated in this Agreement, (h) "Exhibit" refers to an exhibit to this Agreement (which is incorporated herein by reference), unless otherwise stated in this Agreement, (i) "Schedule" refers to a schedule to this Agreement and incorporates any attachments thereto (which are incorporated herein by reference), unless otherwise stated in this Agreement, (j) all references to times are times in New York, New York, (k) "day" refers to a calendar day unless expressly identified as a Business Day, (l) the word "extent" in the phrase "to the extent" shall mean the degree to which a subject or other theory extends and such phrase shall not mean "if," (m) references to agreements and other documents shall be deemed to include all subsequent amendments and other modifications thereto, (n) references to statutes shall include all regulations promulgated thereunder and references to statutes or regulations shall be construed as including all statutory and regulatory provisions consolidating, amending or replacing the statute or regulation, (o) capitalized terms shall have the meaning assigned to them herein, and (p) "made available to Buyer" or similar phrases means information provided in writing to Buyer and its Representatives at least five (5) Business Days prior to the Effective Date. If any period under this Agreement expires on a day which is not a Business Day or any action is required by the terms of this Agreement to be taken on a day which is not a Business Day, such period shall expire on or such action may be deferred until, as the case may be, the next succeeding Business Day.
- 9.10. Entire Agreement, Amendments and Counterparts. This Agreement supersedes all previous contracts, agreements and understandings between the Parties regarding the subject matter hereof and, together with the Ancillary Agreements and the Exhibits and Schedules hereto, constitutes the entire agreement existing between the Parties respecting the subject matter hereof and no Party shall be entitled to benefits other than those specified herein. As between the Parties, no oral statements or prior written material not specifically incorporated herein shall be of any force and effect, and no Party is relying on any such oral statements or prior written material. All prior representations or agreements, whether written or oral, not expressly incorporated herein are superseded and no changes in or additions to this Agreement shall be recognized unless and until made in writing and signed by all Parties. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each and all of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute but one and the same instrument. Signatures received via facsimile or other electronic transmission shall be accepted as originals. Notwithstanding any oral agreement or course of conduct of the Parties or their Representatives to the contrary, no Party shall be under any legal obligation to enter into or

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complete the transactions contemplated hereby unless and until this Agreement shall have been executed and delivered by each Party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be executed by their authorized officers as of the Effective Date.

## **SELLER:**

SYMBIONT.IO, LLC a Delaware limited liability company

By: /s/ Laura Marcero Laura Marcero Chief Restructuring Officer

64 Bleeker St. #165 New York, NY

June 5, 2023

[Signature Page to Agreement]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be executed by their authorized officers as of the Effective

Date.

**BUYER:** 

LM Funding America, Inc., [or its designee], a Delaware Corporation

By: /s/ Chris Taylor

**Chris Taylor** 

**Vice President** 

1200 W. Platt St. Suite 100 Tampa, Florida 6/5/23

# **SCHEDULES**

# SCHEDULE 1 – INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

The Purchased Assets as defined in Section 2.1 includes the Debtor's Intellectual Property, which includes, but is not limited to, the following patents:

FAMILY	CTY	SEC. INT?	APPLN NO	RECORDED OWNER	APPLN DATE	PUBL NO	PAT NO	PAT DATE	STATUS
1	US	YES	16/845,838	SymbiontIo Inc. Vanguard Group Inc.	4/10/2020	US202003 27546A1	10,825,024	11/3/2020	Granted
1	US	n/a	17/028,185	SymbiontIo Inc. Vanguard Group Inc.	9/22/2020	US202102 24805A1	11,436,607	9/6/2022	Granted
1	US	n/a	17/816,313	SymbiontIo Inc. Vanguard Group Inc.	7/29/2022	US202300 69078A1			Pending
2	US	YES	16/213,251	SymbiontIo Inc.	12/7/2018	n/a	10,320,843	6/11/2019	Granted
2	US	YES	16/264,508	SymbiontIo Inc.	1/31/2019	n/a	10,476,847	11/12/2019	Granted
2	US	YES	16/392,473	SymbiontIo Inc.	4/23/2019	n/a	10,728,283	7/28/2020	Granted
2	US	YES	16/597,244	SymbiontIo Inc.	10/9/2019	US202001 12545A1	11,057,353	7/6/2021	Granted
2	US	YES	16/890,700	SymbiontIo Inc.	6/2/2020	n/a	11,184,394	11/23/2021	Granted
2	US	n/a	17/302,857	SymbiontIo Inc.	5/13/2021	US202103 77225A1			Inactive
3	US	YES	15/994,714	SymbiontIo Inc.	5/31/2018	n/a	10,146,792	12/4/2018	Granted
3	US	n/a*	16/176,982	SymbiontIo Inc.	10/31/2018	US202000 50591A1			Pending
4	US	n/a	16/029,238	SymbiontIo Inc.	7/6/2018	US201900 12662A1			Inactive
2	US	n/a	17/507296 <sup>1</sup>		10/21/2021	n/a			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This application is a continuation of US16/890,700. It is not publicly available. There are no other active US patents or applications in the name of the target.

## The Purchased Assets as defined in Section 2.1 includes, but is not limited to, the following trademarks:

Citation	Class	Status	Goods and Services	lmage	Application Number	Registration Number	Owner	Application Date	Date Published	Registration Date	Agent/Correspon dent Information	Image Codes
SYMBIONT	9 36 42	Pending Intent to Use - Filed Intent to Use Color Drawing Filed Color Drawing Currently New USPTO Status:	INT. CL. 9 DOWNLOADABLE COMPUTER APPLICATION. SOFTWARE FOR BLOCKCHAIN-BASED PLATFORMS, DOWNLOADABLE COMPUTER APPLICATION. SOFTWARE FOR BLOCKCHAIN-BASED APPLICATIONS, NAMELY, FOR SECURELY SHARING FINANCIAL DATA ON A	<b></b> symbiont	Арр 97623449		SYMBIONT.IO, LLC DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY CO. 632 BROADWAY, 5TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NEW	App 07-OCT-2022			THOMAS Y. YEE SYMBI.020T THOMAS Y. YEE KNOBBE, MARTENS, OLSON & BEAR	US 261704 CUBES 290704 GRAY OR SILVER 290707 ORANGE
SYMBIONT	9 42	Registered FILED AS USE APPLICATION USE APPLICATION - CURRENT USPTO Status:	INT. CL. 9 DOWNLOADABLE COMPUTER APPLICATION SOFTWARE FOR BLOCKCHAIN- BASED PLATFORMS, NAMELY, SOFTWARE FOR DISTRIBUTED APPLICATIONS AND SOFTWARE USING BLOCKCHAIN TECHNOLOGY FOR MANAGING FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS ON A	SYMBIONT	<b>App</b> 88702050	Reg 6225366	SYMBIONT.IO, LLC DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY 5TH FLOOR 632 BROADWAY NEW YORK, NEW	App 21-NOV- 2019	Pub 06-OCT-2020	Reg 22-DEC-2020	ELIZABETH RAGAVANIS ELIZABETH RAGAVANIS ODELL GIRTON SIEGEL	US 999999 NO CODES
SYMBIONT SMART SECURITY	36	Registered Intent to Use - Filed USE APPLICATION - CURRENT USPTO Status:	INT. CL. 36 FINANCIAL SERVICES, NAMELY, PROVIDING A VIRTUAL CURRENCY FOR USE BY MEMBERS OF AN ON-LINE COMMUNITY VIA A GLOBAL COMPUTER NETWORK	Value of the second	<b>Арр</b> 86701142	Reg 5014372	SYMBIONT.IO, LLC DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY 5TH FLOOR 632 BROADWAY	App 22-JUL-2015	Pub 02-FEB-2016	Reg 02-AUG- 2016	THOMAS Y. YEE SYMBI.012T THOMAS Y. YEE KNOBBE,	US 999999 NO CODES
					Registered NEW YORK NEW						MARTENS,	
					OLSON & BEAR							

The Purchased Assets as defined in Section 2.1 includes, but is not limited to the following virtual environments that hold the Debtor's Intellectual Property assets and Work Product as further described in Section 2.1:

·Symbiont's Google

o Google Drive, Google Workspace, Google Cloud Computing

·Symbiont's Github account(s)

·Symbiont's Slack account(s)

·Symbiont's Notion account(s)

·Symbiont's 1Password account

·Symbiont's Iron Mountain

·Symbiont's NCC or NCC Group account

·Symbiont's Notion account

·Symbiont's Azure account

# UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re:	)	
	)	Chapter 11
Symbiont.io, LLC,	)	Case No. 22-11620 (PB)
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	)	
Debtor.	)	

## ORDER (I) APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING SALE OF SUBSTANTIALLY ALL OF DEBTOR'S ASSETS FREE AND CLEAR OF ALL ENCUMBRANCES, AND (II) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF

Upon the Motion of Symbiont.io, LLC. (the "**Debtor**") pursuant to Section 105(a), 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, and Bankruptcy Rules 2002 and 6004 for an *Order (A) Authorizing and Approving Sale and Bidding Procedures in Connection with Proposed Sale of Substantially All of Debtor's Assets; (B) Scheduling a Hearing on Shortened Notice to Approve Bidding Procedures; (C) Scheduling a Hearing to Consider Approval of the Sale; (D) Prescribing the Manner of Notice for Such Hearings; (E) Authorizing and Approving the Asset Purchase Agreement with LM Funding America, Inc.; and (F) Authorizing Such Sale Free and Clear of all Liens, Claims and Encumbrances [Docket No. 49] (the "Sale Motion")¹ and the Sale Motion requesting that this Court approve a sale of substantially all the Debtor's assets (the "Purchased Assets") pursuant to certain Asset Purchase Agreement dated as of May 1, 2023 between the Debtor and LM Funding America, Inc. ("LM Funding") or another bidder submitting a higher or better offer at a proposed auction; and the Court having entered the sale and bidding procedures order on May 20, 2023 [Docket No. 62] (the "Sale Procedures Order"); and there appearing good cause therefor, and this Court having determined that the relief requested in the Sale Motion is in the best interests of the Debtor, its estate, its creditors, and other parties-in-interest; adequate notice having been given* 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Capitalized terms defined in the Sale Motion or the APA and not otherwise defined herein are used herein with the meanings so defined.

and a hearing having been held on June 1, 2023 (the "Sale Hearing"); and it appearing that no other notice need be given; and this Court having reviewed and considered the Sale Motion and any objections thereto; and this Court having heard statements of counsel and the evidence presented in support of the relief requested by the Debtor in the Sale Motion and at the Sale Hearing; and any filed objections having been resolved, withdrawn, or overruled, THE COURT HEREBY FINDS:

A.This Court, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334, has jurisdiction over all assets of the Debtor and its chapter 11 estate. The Sale Motion is a core proceeding as defined in 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2). Venue of the Sale Motion in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

B.LM Funding is the successful bidder (the "Buyer") with respect to the sale of the Purchased Assets, including the Intellectual Property listed on Schedule 1 of the APA (defined below), pursuant to the Sale Motion (the "Sale").

C.The revised Asset Purchase Agreement dated May 31, 2023, between the Debtor and the Buyer, attached hereto as **Exhibit A** (as modified by this Order, the "APA") was offered in good faith, from arm's-length bargaining positions without collusion or fraud, by the parties. [PB 6/2/2023]

D. The Debtor and its advisors have diligently and in good faith marketed the Purchased Assets to secure the highest and best offer or offers. The total consideration provided for in the APA entered into with the Buyer, and the transactions contemplated thereby, represent a fair and reasonable purchase price and constitute the highest and best offer obtainable for the Purchased Assets, and constitutes reasonably equivalent value, fair consideration and fair value under the Bankruptcy Code and any applicable nonbankruptcy laws. The Debtor's determination

that the APA constitutes the highest and best offer for the Purchased Assets constitutes a valid and sound exercise of the Debtor's business judgment. [PB 6/2/2023]

E. The Debtor has demonstrated good, sufficient, and sound business purpose and justification and compelling circumstances for the sale of the Purchased Assets pursuant to section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code.

F.The APA must be approved promptly in order to preserve the value of the Purchased Assets. The APA presents the best opportunity to realize the value of the Purchased Assets and avoid further decline and devaluation of the Purchased Assets.

G.Buyer has acted in good faith in this matter and is a good faith purchaser as that term is used in the Bankruptcy Code, and is, accordingly, entitled to the protections set forth in section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code. Neither the Debtor nor Buyer has engaged in any conduct that would cause or permit the APA or the transactions contemplated thereby to be avoided or avoidable, or costs or damages to be imposed, under section 363(n) of the Bankruptcy Code. Buyer is not an "insider" or "affiliate" of the Debtor (as such terms are defined in the Bankruptcy Code).

H. With respect to any and all Persons (as that term is defined in section 101(41) of the Bankruptcy Code), Governmental Units (as that term is defined in section 101(27) of the Bankruptcy Code), or entities asserting any liens, claims, encumbrances and other interests (the "Encumbrances") against the Purchased Assets (collectively, the "Encumbrance Parties"), (i) applicable non-bankruptcy law permits sale of such property free and clear of such Encumbrance; (ii) each of the Encumbrance Parties have consented to the sale and transfer, license, and assignment as applicable, free and clear of its Encumbrance, with such Encumbrance to attach to the net sale proceeds; or (iii) the Encumbrance Parties could be compelled, in a legal or equitable proceeding, to accept a money satisfaction for such Encumbrance so that the conditions of section 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code have been satisfied. The Encumbrance Parties who did not object

or who withdrew their objections to the Sale Motion are deemed to have consented to the Sale Motion pursuant to section 363(f)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code. The Encumbrance Parties who did object fall within one or more of the subsections of section 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code. [PB 6/2/2023]

I.The transfer of each of the Purchased Assets to the Buyer will be as of the Closing Date a legal, valid, and effective transfer of such Purchased Assets, and shall vest the Buyer with all right and title to the Purchased Assets free and clear of all Encumbrances.

J.No Cure objection has been filed with respect to the assumption and assignment of the Assigned Contracts.

K.Under all the circumstances presented, (i) all actions contemplated in the APA; (ii) consummation of all acts contemplated in this Order; (iii) the transfer of the Purchased Assets by the Debtor to Buyer; and (iv) the receipt by the Debtor of the purchase price are in the best interests of the Debtor and its estate, creditors, and other parties in interest.

L.Proper, sufficient, and sound business reasons and other good cause for the entry of this Order have been shown.

M.The Debtor has given due and proper notice of the proposed sale of the Purchased Assets to all parties required to receive notice, pursuant to the sale notice and the Sale Procedures Order. A reasonable opportunity to object or be heard with respect to the Sale Motion and the relief requested therein, and the rights of third parties to submit higher or otherwise better offers for the Purchased Assets, has been afforded to all interested parties and entities.

N.The closing and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the APA shall not subject the Buyer to any liability with respect to the prepetition operation of the business of the Debtor or the postpetition operation of the business of the Debtor. The transactions contemplated by the APA do not amount to a consolidation, merger, or *de facto* merger of the

Buyer and the Debtor and/or the Debtor's estate, there is not substantial continuity between the Buyer and the Debtor, there is no continuity of enterprise between the Debtor and the Buyer, the Buyer is not a mere continuation of the Debtor or the Debtor's estate, and the Buyer does not constitute a successor to the Debtor or the Debtor's estate.

O.The Buyer's acquisition of the Purchased Assets shall be free and clear of any "successor liability" claims of any nature whatsoever, whether known or unknown and whether asserted or unasserted as of the Closing Date. The Buyer's operation and use of the Purchased Assets acquired from the Debtor shall not be deemed a continuation of the Debtor's business.

P.Time is of the essence in consummating the Sale. In order to maximize the value of the Debtor's assets, it is essential that the sale of the Purchased Assets occur within the time constraints set forth in the APA. Accordingly, the Court finds that there is cause to waive and/or vacate the stay imposed by Rule 6004(h) of the Bankruptcy Rules, and such stay is hereby vacated and shall have no application to the relief afforded by this Order. This Order constitutes a final and appealable order within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 158(a). Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rules 6004(h), 7062, and 9014, to the extent applicable, the Court expressly finds that there is no just reason for delay in the implementation of this Order.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

1. The Sale Motion is hereby granted as set forth herein. All objections and reservation of rights with regard to the relief sought in the Sale Motion that have not been withdrawn, waived, or settled, are hereby overruled on the merits.

2. The Court finds that purported obligations previously undisclosed by the Debtor accrued prior to the appointment of the CRO, and further finds that the CRO did not engage in any concealment of the existence of these obligations and did not contribute to any person being induced to perform work or services as to which budgeting had not been disclosed or approved,

and determines that the CRO shall not be liable for such obligations and that compensation to the CRO which is approved by the secured creditor to be paid from cash collateral or which is otherwise paid at a later date shall not be reduced as a result of such purported obligations or the allowance, if any, of such obligations as claims. [PB 6/2/2023]

- 2. The APA is hereby approved in its entirety; provided, however, that notwithstanding any provision of the APA, the Buyer is not released from any claim that the Debtor's sale of the Purchased Assets to it constituted a fraudulent transfer, fraudulent conveyance or other voidable transfer. [PB 6/2/2023]
- 3. The Assigned Contracts are assumed by the Debtor and assigned to the Buyer pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code. To the extent an Assigned Contract is not an executory contract within the meaning of section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, the Debtor's interests in such agreements will nevertheless be transferred to the Buyer as assets of the Debtor's estate pursuant to section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code.
  - 4. The Debtor is hereby authorized, empowered, directed and, upon entry of this Order, has all the power and authority necessary to:
- a. Fully perform under, consummate, implement, execute, and deliver the APA and all other documents contemplated thereby, to consummate the transactions contemplated by the APA, and to take all other actions required to be taken pursuant to the APA;
- b.Transfer the Purchased Assets to Buyer and to execute and deliver all the documents necessitated thereby, and to take any action necessary to effectuate the transfer of the Purchased Assets to Buyer;
- c.Receive the consideration described in the APA from Buyer and take any action necessary to effectuate the receipt of such consideration; and
- d.Fully perform and take all action necessary to effectuate the APA, the transactions contemplated thereby, and the obligations contemplated by this Order.

- 5.No other or further consents or approvals of this Court are required for the Debtor to consummate or effectuate (i) the APA, (ii) the transfer of the Purchased Assets, and (iii) the receipt of consideration from Buyer.
  - 6. The Purchase Price shall be paid without offset, deductions or recoupments other than as set forth in the APA.
- 7.The transfer of each of the Purchased Assets to the Buyer will be as of the Closing Date a legal, valid, and effective transfer of such Purchased Assets and shall vest the Buyer with all right and title to the Purchased Assets. Pursuant to section 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Purchased Assets shall be transferred to Buyer, and, upon the closing under the APA, the Purchased Assets shall be free and clear of any and all Encumbrances, including, without limitation, all claims, if any, arising from the operation or cessation of the Debtor's business, whether arising prior to or subsequent to the commencement of the Debtor's case under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code (or any case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code that may result from the conversion of this chapter 11 case), and whether imposed by agreement, understanding, law, equity, or otherwise (except as otherwise provided in the APA or this Sale Order), which Encumbrances, if any, shall attach to the net proceeds of the Sale in order of priority and subject to any disputes relating thereto and further subject to any claims under Section 506(c) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 8. The Encumbrance Parties shall be, and hereby are, barred from asserting such Encumbrance against Buyer, its successors and assigns, or the Purchased Assets.
- 9.All entities that are in possession of some or all of the Purchased Assets on the Closing Date are directed to surrender possession of such Purchased Assets to the Buyer on the Closing Date. All entities are hereby forever prohibited and enjoined from taking any action that

would adversely affect or interfere with the ability of the Debtor to sell and transfer the Purchased Assets to the Buyer in accordance with the terms of the APA and this Order.

10. The Encumbrance Parties are forever prohibited and enjoined from commencing or continuing in any manner any action or other proceeding, whether in law or equity, in any judicial, administrative, arbitral, or other proceeding, against Buyer (including its successors or assigns) or the Purchased Assets with respect to any (a) Encumbrance arising under, out of, in connection with or in any way relating to the Debtor, the Buyer, the Purchased Assets, or the operation of the Purchased Assets prior to the closing of the Sale, or (b) successor liability. Without limiting the foregoing, the Encumbrance Parties are forever prohibited and enjoined from the following: (i) enforcing, attaching, collecting or recovering in any manner any judgment, award, decree or order against the Buyer (including its successors or assigns), or the Purchased Assets; (ii) creating, perfecting or enforcing any Encumbrance against the Buyer (including its successors or assigns) or the Purchased Assets; (iii) asserting any setoff, right of subrogation or recoupment of any kind against any obligation due the Buyer (including its successors or assigns); (iv) commencing or continuing any action, in any manner or place, that does not comply or is inconsistent with the provisions of this Order or other orders of this Court, or the agreements or actions contemplated or taken in respect thereof; or (v) revoking, terminating or failing or refusing to issue or renew any license, permit or authorization to operate any of the Purchased Assets or conduct the business operated with the Purchased Assets.

11. The consummation of the APA shall not subject Buyer to any liability whatsoever with respect to the prepetition operation of the business of the Debtor in any form or manner whatsoever, including, without limitation, by reason of any theory of successor or transferee liability, *de facto* merger, or substantial continuity, whether known or unknown and whether asserted or unasserted as of the closing.

12.If any person or entity that has filed a financing statement or other documents or agreements evidencing an Encumbrance on the Purchased Assets shall not have delivered, in proper form for filing, termination statements, instruments of satisfaction, releases, and other documents to the Debtor prior to the closing of the Sale, then the Debtor shall be and hereby is authorized to execute such termination statements, instruments of satisfaction, releases, and other documents on behalf of the person or entity and to file the same with any appropriate registry or public filing office, including with respect to obtaining new certificate of title if necessary.

13.Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this Order authorizing the sale and assignment of the Purchased Assets free and clear of Encumbrances shall be self-executing, and notwithstanding the failure of the Buyer, the Debtor, or any other party to execute, file, or obtain releases, termination statements, assignment consents, or other instruments to effectuate, consummate, and/or implement the provisions hereof or the APA with respect to the sale of the Purchased Assets, all Encumbrances on the Purchased Assets shall be and hereby are deemed to be divested, terminated, and discharged. A certified copy of this Order may be filed with the appropriate clerk(s) and/or recorded with the recorder(s) which, once filed, registered, or otherwise recorded, shall constitute conclusive evidence of (i) the release of all Encumbrances in the Purchased Assets and (ii) the Buyer's right and title to the Purchased Assets.

14. This Order is and shall be binding upon and govern the acts of all Persons, entities, and Governmental Units including, without limitation, all filing agents, filing officers, title agents, title companies, recorders of mortgages, recorders of deeds, registrars of deeds, administrative agencies, governmental departments, secretaries of state, federal and local officials, and all other persons and entities who may be required by operation of law, the duties of their office, or contract, to accept, file, register or otherwise record or release any documents or instruments, or who may be required to report or insure any title or state of title in or to any lease; and each of the foregoing

is hereby directed to accept for filing this Order and any and all of the documents and instruments necessary and appropriate to consummate the transactions contemplated by the APA.

- 15. The Debtor is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed, and, upon entry of this Order, shall have all the authority necessary, to perform such ministerial acts as may be required to effectuate and implement the APA and any transaction contemplated thereby.
  - 16.All of the transactions and actions contemplated by this Order are properly authorized under section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 17. The transactions contemplated by the APA are undertaken by Buyer, in good faith, as that term is used in section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code, and accordingly, the reversal or modification on appeal of the authorization provided herein to consummate the Sale shall not affect the validity of the Sale to Buyer, unless such authorization is duly stayed pending such appeal. Buyer is a good-faith purchaser and is entitled to all of the protections afforded by sections 363(m) and (n) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 18. The terms and provisions of the APA and this Order shall be binding in all respects upon, and shall inure to the benefit of, the Debtor and the Buyer, and the successors and assigns of each of the foregoing, and any affected third parties, notwithstanding conversion or dismissal of the Debtor's bankruptcy case or any subsequent appointment of any trustee under any chapter of the Bankruptcy Code, as to which trustee such terms and provisions likewise shall be binding.
- 19. The automatic stay pursuant to Section 362 is hereby lifted with respect to the Debtor to the extent necessary, without further order of this Court, to (i) allow the Buyer to deliver any notice provided for in the APA, and (ii) allow the Buyer to take any and all actions permitted under the APA in accordance with the terms and conditions thereof.

- 20. The failure specifically to include or refer to any particular provision of the APA in this Order shall not diminish or impair the effectiveness of such provision, it being the intent of this Court that the APA be authorized and approved in its entirety.
- 21.Subject to Article 8.1 of the APA, the closing of the transactions thereunder shall take place via telephonic conferencing and electronic exchange of signature pages, or at such other time or place as the Parties may agree and the Closing Date shall be deemed to occur at 12:01 a.m. Eastern Time within one (1) Business Day of the date that all of the conditions precedent to Closing set forth in Section 2.7 and Section 2.8 have been satisfied and the Bankruptcy Court has entered this Final Sale Order or on such other date as the Parties may agree.
- 22.To the extent that this Order is inconsistent with any prior order or pleading with respect to the Sale Motion, the terms of this Order shall govern. To the extent there are any inconsistencies between the terms of this Order and the APA (including all ancillary documents executed in connection therewith), the terms of this Order shall govern.
- 23. Notwithstanding the applicability of Bankruptcy Rules 6004(h), 7062, and 9014, to the extent applicable, the terms and conditions of this Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry by the Court.
- 24. This Court retains exclusive jurisdiction to enforce and implement the terms and provisions of this Order and the APA (including all ancillary documents executed in connection therewith). The foregoing shall include, but not be limited to, retaining exclusive jurisdiction (a) to resolve any disputes arising under or related to the APA or between the Debtor and the Buyer; (b) to protect the Buyer, or the Purchased Assets, from and against any Encumbrances; and (c) to interpret, implement, and enforce the provisions of this Order.

## IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: New York, New York June 2, 2023

/s/ Philip Bentley Honorable Philip Bentley United States Bankruptcy Judge



#### LM Funding America, Inc. Acquires Assets of Symbiont.io, Inc. from Chapter 11 Bankruptcy

Secured Lender has Acquired Assets of Financial Services Enterprise Blockchain Platform

TAMPA, FL, June 6, 2023—LM Funding America, Inc. (NASDAQ: LMFA) ("LM Funding" or the "Company"), a Bitcoin mining and technology-based specialty finance company, today announced that its \$2.6 million "stalking horse" bid to purchase the assets of Symbiont.io, Inc. ("Symbiont"), which is currently in Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings, was approved by the bankruptcy court on June 2, 2023. LM Funding was the sole secured creditor for Symbiont as a result of a \$2 million secured loan it made to Symbiont in December 2021 and has now acquired Symbiont's assets with a credit bid.

Bruce M. Rodgers, Chairman, and CEO of LM Funding commented, "We are in the fortunate position of having now acquired the assets of Symbiont, including those related to its Assembly™ financial services blockchain enterprise platform. We currently intend to pursue strategic relationships to offer Assembly™ to institutions to issue, track and manage financial instruments, such as data, loans, and securities. Additionally, we plan to explore and consider, other use cases for the Symbiont assets and Assembly™ platform."

Symbiont was formed in 2013 to help financial institutions leverage the Bitcoin blockchain to reduce risk, save costs, and increase efficiency. Symbiont Assembly™ is a blockchain platform for building and running decentralized applications called "smart contracts." Early on, Symbiont raised money from credible investors, including the former CEO of the New York Stock Exchange, and formed a board comprised of a former Governor of Delaware, former Commissioner of the Securities Exchange Commission, Former CEO of NYSE, Euronext and the Intercontinental Exchange, and representatives from the London Stock Exchange. Symbiont won contracts with large institutions including index-fund leader Vanguard. In 2022, Vanguard and State Street used Symbiont's platform for a foreign exchange forward contract. More recently, SWIFT, which helps banks move money across borders, announced it was using Symbiont's technology.

Symbiont filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection on Dec. 1, 2022. The New York-based company said its assets and liabilities both ranged between \$1 million and \$10 million, according to a filing with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York. LM Funding was listed as a secured creditor and was owed \$2 million plus interest and expenses. LM Funding made a stalking horse credit bid to purchase Symbiont's assets.

"We have spoken with Symbiont's technical experts and several customers," stated Rodgers. "We believe we have the opportunity to make Symbiont's technology revenue producing by forming strategic relationships with technology companies to complete projects and develop further solutions for potential Symbiont customers." Rodgers finished by stating, "Symbiont's engineers, programmers, and technologists have created something meaningful, and we hope to work with that caliber of people going forward."

#### **About LM Funding America**

LM Funding America, Inc., (Nasdaq: LMFA) together with its subsidiaries, is a cryptocurrency mining business that commenced Bitcoin mining operations in September 2022. The Company also operates a technology-based specialty finance company that provides funding to nonprofit community associations (Associations) located in the state of Florida by funding a certain portion of the Associations' rights to delinquent accounts that are selected by the Associations arising from unpaid Association assessments.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release may contain forward-looking statements made pursuant to the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Words such as "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "plan," and "project" and other similar words and expressions are intended to signify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are not guaranties of future results and conditions but rather are subject to various risks and uncertainties. Some of these risks and uncertainties are identified in the company's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and its other filings with the SEC, which are available at www.sec.gov. These risks and uncertainties include, without limitation, uncertainty created by the COVID-19 pandemic, the risk of not successfully commercializing or realizing value from the Symbiont assets, the risks of operating in the cryptocurrency mining business, the capacity of our bitcoin mining machines and our related ability to purchase power at reasonable prices, and the ability to finance our planned cryptocurrency mining operations. The occurrence of any of these risks and uncertainties could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

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# Bitcoin Mining and Specialty Finance Investor Presentation

June 2023

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Some of these risks and uncertainties are identified in the company's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and its other filings with the SEC, which are available at www.sec.gov. These risks and uncertainties include, without limitation, uncertainty created by the COVID-19 pandemic, the risks of operating in the cryptocurrency mining business, the early stage of our cryptocurrency mining business and our lack of operating history in such business, the capacity of our bitcoin mining machines and our related ability to purchase power at reasonable prices, the ability to finance our cryptocurrency mining business, our ability to acquire new accounts in our specialty finance business at appropriate prices, the need for capital, our ability to hire and retain new employees, changes in governmental regulations that affect our ability to collected sufficient amounts on defaulted consumer receivables, changes in the credit or capital markets, changes in interest rates, and negative press regarding the debt collection industry. The occurrence of any of these risks and uncertainties could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

For additional disclosure regarding risks faced by LM Funding America, Inc., please see our public filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, available on the Investor Relations section of our website at <a href="https://www.lmfunding.com">www.lmfunding.com</a> and on the SEC's website at <a href="https://www.sec.gov">www.sec.gov</a>.

### **Investment Highlights**





Continue to execute on Bitcoin mining strategy; currently have approximately 5,000 miners, electrified and actively mining Bitcoin, providing the Company with approximately 520 petahash of mining capacity currently

Signed new contract with GIGA Energy for 1,080 machines which will result in 6,075 total miners and 627 petahash of mining capacity at June 30, 2023

Acquired the assets of Symbiont.io, whose Symbiont Assembly™ is a blockchain platform for building and running decentralized applications called "smart contracts

Strong balance sheet: \$5.2 million in liquidity (Cash and BTC), working capital of \$4.6 million, \$46.1M total assets, \$0.2 million of long-term debt at March 31, 2023

Total Equity of \$44 million with per share book value of \$3.36 as of March 31, 2023

### **LM Funding America: Our Management**





#### Bruce Rodgers, Founder, Chief Executive Officer & President

- Former Chairman and CEO of LMF Acquisition Opportunities, Inc. (Nasdag:LMAO now ICU)
- Entrepreneur developed business model and led LMFA through multiple private fundraising rounds leading to IPO in 2015
- · Led LMFA through 3 subsequent public offerings and purchased and sold complimentary businesses
- Former Partner at Foley & Lardner with transaction experience in banking, shipping, energy, technology, hospitality, cannabis, and real estate development
- Director of SeaStar Medical (Nasdag: ICU)
- B.S. Engineering from Vanderbilt University and a Juris Doctor, with honors, from the University of Florida, Lieutenant, Surface Warfare Officer, United States Navy (1985 – 1989)



#### Richard Russell, Chief Financial Officer

- Mr. Russell has broad financial skills with a focus on public companies in the healthcare, beverage, food service, transportation and logistics, T.V. Broadcast, manufacturing and office technology industries
- Former CFO of LMF Acquisition Opportunities, Inc (Nasdaq: LMAO) and Generation Income Properties (Nasdaq:GIPR)
- Director for two public companies: SeaStar Medical (Nasdaq: ICU) and Trident Brands (TDNT) and former Chairman of Hillsborough County (Florida) Internal Audit Committee
- Bachelor of Science in Accounting and a Master's in Tax Accounting from the University of Alabama, and an M.B.A. in Business Administration from the University of Tampa

# Why Bitcoin?



# "Trust(lessness)

"

Bitcoin is a new technology enabling decentralized transactions between parties not requiring an intermediary bank or institution.



## **LMFA's Bitcoin Mining Strategy**



### Minimize Operational Risk and Market Volatility Risk

**Low Cost of Capital** 



Access to lower cost of capital as a public company

Purchase Bitcoin Mining Machines direct from Manufacturers



- Wholesale purchase of miners directly from the manufacturer
- Secure latest generation of miners at the lowest possible cost
- Total miners owned uses less than avg. 28 joules per terahash

Host Bitcoin Machines with Best-in-Class Providers



- Commodity driven
- Contract with best-in-class providers to manage power costs
- Geographic diversity to address weather and political risk

### **Asset Acquisition Strategy**



- Volatility in the market has created significant opportunities to acquire distressed mining assets at attractive prices
- Contract to purchase mining machines with the current supplier includes variable pricing pegged in part to the price of Bitcoin
  - Since contracting to purchase these machines, a decline in the price of Bitcoin has created more than \$7 million in rebate credits which could potentially improve return on investment on these machines
- Plan to maintain a disciplined approach of opportunistically purchasing and cost-effectively operating Bitcoin mining machines in order to maximize long-term shareholder value



### **Current Bitcoin Environment**



- FASB proposal--impairment versus mark to value
- Bitcoin regulated by CFTC as a commodity due to decentralized structure
- Bank financing for Bitcoin Miners non-existent
- White House Proposed 30% tax on Bitcoin Mining energy consumption
- 2024 Halving reduces mining reward from 6.25 to 3.125
- 2028 Halving reduces mining reward from 3.125 to 1.56
- Transaction fee increase must be driven by use cases

https://tax.thomsonreuters.com/news/fasb-proposes-accounting-rules-for-measuring-presenting-and-disclosing-crypto-assets/



#### FASB Proposes Accounting Rules for Measuring, Presenting and Disclosing Crypto Assets

Denise Lugo Editor, Accounting and Compliance Alert

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The FASB on March 23, 2023, issued a proposal to provide accounting and disclosure rules for certain types of crypto assets — provisions aimed helping companies to accurately reflect the economics of such assets.



f finalized, the proposal will build the first explicit accounting standard for crypto assets in J.S. GAAP.

The rules will apply to both well-known crypto assets that trade in active markets like Bitcoin and Ethereum, as well as other types of crypto assets that do not trade nearly as frequently (or perhaps at all), accountants said.

"The disclosures are significant – the most important of which may be the requirement for details about significant crypto holdings," KPMG LLP Partner Scott Muir said, "If, for example, I'm a company that holds significant amounts of Bitcoin, Ether, Litecoin I'm going to tell people for each one of those about the number of tokens of each I hold, their fair value and their cost basis," he said.

The board proposed to require crypto assets that meet six specific conditions be measured at fair value and changes in value recognized in each reporting period as profit or loss. Fair value represents the price that would be received if the company were to sell the crypto asset in an orderly transaction to a willing and knowledgeable buyer.

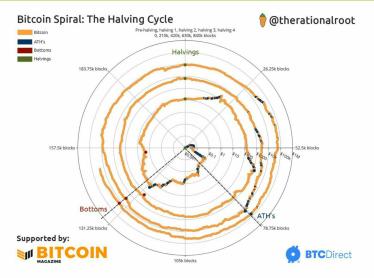
Companies would present crypto assets separately from other intangible assets on the balance sheet because they have different measurement requirements. This approach would result in a prominent display of crypto assets, providing investors with clear and transparent information about the fair value of crypto assets within the financial statements, according to the proposal.

### **Halving**



- Bitcoin halving is an event where the reward for mining new Bitcoin blocks is cut in half, resulting in miners receiving 50% fewer Bitcoins for verifying transactions.
- Bitcoin halving occurs every 210,000 blocks which translate to approximately every 4 years.
- Next halvings are estimated(1):
  - 2024
  - 2028
- Bitcoin Halving cycle has resulted in higher highs and higher lows.
- Mining machine spot prices have reached \$10K per machine prior to BTC ATH-S and subsequent Bitcoin winters.

(1) https://www.zenledger.io/blog/bitcoin-halving



https://twitter.com/therationalroot/status/1632268728413954050

# **LMFA Halving Strategy**



- Infrastructure Light
- Acquire most efficient miners 24 joules/TH
- Flexible hosting contracts
- Minimize operational losses
- Renew hosting contracts post halving



https://crypto.com/university/what-is-bitcoin-halving

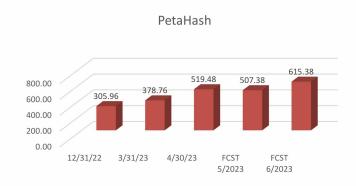
### **Recent Digital Mining Events**



- Expanded a hosting contract with Core Scientific for Core to host an additional 1,400 of the Company's Bitcoin mining machines, bringing the total number of machines hosted by Core to approximately 4,430
- Signed a new contract to host 500 of its Bitcoin mining machines with Aspen Creek Digital Corporation aka Longbow HostCo, LLC
- Signed a new contract with Giga Energy to host approximately 1,080 Bitcoin mining machines
- Purchased additional 300 Bitmain XP mining machines in 2023

### **Bitcoin Operational Activities**







Number of Miners



Recent shift in focus towards Bitcoin mining is transforming the Company for the future

## **Bitcoin Mining Activities**

Bitcoin Balance

Beginning of Year

Production of Bitcoin

Purchase of Bitcoin

Sale of Bitcoin

**End of Period** 

March 31, 2022

March 31, 2022

54.9

54.9

91.7

2.0

(64.9)

(0.1)

83.6

Dec 31, 2022

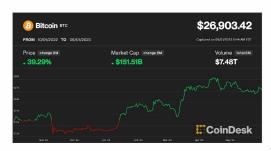
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•	acquire more Bitmain
	machines

**HODL** excess Bitcoins



### **Symbiont Asset Acquisition**



- Acquired the assets of Symbiont, including those related to its Assembly™ financial services blockchain enterprise platform.
- Symbiont Assembly™ is a blockchain platform for building and running decentralized applications called "smart contracts
- Plan to pursue joint ventures and/or other strategic relationships to offer Assembly™ to institutions to issue, track and manage financial instruments, such as data, loans, and securities.
- Additionally, we plan to explore, and consider, other use cases for the Symbiont assets and Assembly™ platform.



#### How it Works

Assembly™ uses **state machine replication** to provide strong consistency and data availability guarantees without sacrificing network decentralization or confidentiality. Assembly smart contracts are written in **SymPL™**, a domain-specific language designed for modeling the most complex business logic for a decentralized, digital golden record of financial transactions.

### **Specialty Finance & Association Collections**



- The Company began in 2008 with a focus on specialty finance

   providing funding to nonprofit community associations
   primarily located in the state of Florida
  - Offer incorporated nonprofit community associations a variety of financial products customized to each association's financial needs
  - Provide funding against delinquent accounts in exchange for a portion of the proceeds collected from the account debtors of the association
  - Business prospers in declining residential real estate market



## **Financial Results**



		Three Months	s Ended Ma	arch 31, 2022	•	Reflects \$2.1 million of BTC revenue BTC mining costs of \$1.7 million.
Revenue Operating expenses Operating income (loss) Other income (loss)		\$ 2,313,518 4,282,944 (1,969,426) (5,193,170)		5,221,236 (5,030,232) (989,019)		Stock Compensation declined to \$0.2 million in 2023 from \$3.6 million in 2022.  Realized gain on sale of digital assets of \$0.5 million is reported in Operating expenses in 2023
Loss before income taxes Income tax expense Net income (loss) Less: Net loss attributable to non	-controlling	(7,162,596) - (7,162,596)		(6,019,251) - (6,019,251)	•	as an offset.  SeaStar Medical unrealized loss of \$5.8 million in 2023 vs. \$1.0 million in 2022.
interest  Net income (loss) attributable to  America Inc.	LM Funding	\$ 1,776,264 (5,386,332)		291,200 (5,728,051)	•	Realized \$0.6 million from sale of Bitmain coupons reported in Other income which was used to buy additional machines in January 2023.
Cash and cash equivalents Bitcoin Marketable securities End of Period	\$ \$	3,428,906 1,751,914 10,080		4,238,006 888,026 4,290 5,130,322	•	Net loss attributable to non-controlling interest of \$1.8 million is an offset to the SeaStar Medical unrealized loss.

# Core EBITDA (Non-GAAP)



	Three Months Ended March 31,				
	2023			2022	
Net loss		(7,162,596)	\$	(6,019,251)	
Income tax expense		-		-	
Interest expense		-		-	
Depreciation and amortization		801,873		3,094	
Loss before interest, taxes & depreciation  Unrealized loss on investment and equity		(6,360,723)	\$	(6,016,157)	
securities		5,822,854		986,399	
Unrealized gain on convertible debt securities		-		(288,320)	
Stock compensation and option expense		194,356		3,648,237	
Core loss before interest, taxes & depreciation	\$	(343,513)	\$	(1,669,841)	

Our reported results are presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). We also disclose Earnings before Interest, Depreciation and Amortization ("EBITDA") and Core Earnings before Interest, Depreciation and Amortization ("Core EBITDA") which adjusts for unrealized gain on investment and equity securities, unrealized gain on convertible debt securities and stock compensation expense, all of which are non-GAAP financial measures. We believe these non-GAAP financial measures are useful to investors because they are widely accepted industry measures used by analysts and investors to compare the operating performance of bitcoin miners.

This table reconciles net loss, which we believe is the most comparable GAAP measure, to EBITDA and Core EBITDA.

### **Investment Highlights**





Continue to execute on Bitcoin mining strategy; currently have approximately 5,000 miners, electrified and actively mining Bitcoin, providing the Company with approximately 520 petahash of mining capacity currently

Signed new contract with GIGA Energy for 1,080 machines which will result in 6,075 total miners and 627 petahash of mining capacity at June 30, 2023

Acquired the assets of Symbiont.io, whose Symbiont Assembly™ is a blockchain platform for building and running decentralized applications called "smart contracts

Strong balance sheet: \$5.2 million in liquidity (Cash and BTC), working capital of \$4.6 million, \$46.1M total assets, \$0.2 million of long-term debt at March 31, 2023

Total Equity of \$44 million with per share book value of \$3.36 as of March 31, 2023

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