UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): March 10, 2015 (March 4, 2015)

Avis Budget Group, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-10308 06-0918165

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification Number)

6 Sylvan Way
Parsippany, NJ
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

973 496-4700

07054

(Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Avis Budget Group, Inc. (the "Company") entered into a purchase agreement on March 4, 2015 with respect to the sale by its whollyowned subsidiary Avis Budget Car Rental, LLC of \$375 million aggregate principal amount of 5.25% Senior Notes due 2025 at an issue price of 100%.

The notes will be issued in a private offering that is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, to qualified institutional buyers in accordance with Rule 144A and to persons outside of the United States pursuant to Regulation S under the Securities Act. The notes are senior unsecured obligations of Avis Budget Car Rental, LLC and will be guaranteed on a senior basis by the Company and certain of its domestic subsidiaries. The offering is subject to customary closing conditions.

The purchase agreement contains customary representations, warranties and agreements by the Company. In addition, the Company has agreed to indemnify the initial purchasers against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribute to payments the initial purchasers may be required to make in respect of those liabilities. Furthermore, the Company has agreed with the initial purchasers not to offer or sell any debt securities issued or guaranteed by the Company for a period of 90 days after the date of the purchase agreement without the prior written consent of the representative of the initial purchasers. Subject to customary closing conditions, the sale of the notes is expected to close on or about March 11, 2015.

The Company intends to use the proceeds from the note offering for general corporate purposes, including to redeem its outstanding 9.75% Senior Notes due 2020, to finance a portion of its proposed acquisition of the Maggiore Group and to pay fees in connection with the offering of the notes and other related expenses. If there are any remaining proceeds, or if the acquisition of the Maggiore Group is not consummated, the remaining proceeds will be used for general corporate purposes.

The notes and the related guarantees will not be registered under the Securities Act and the notes and the related guarantees may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an applicable exemption from registration requirements. This current report on Form 8-K is neither an offer to sell nor a solicitation of an offer to buy the notes or any other securities and shall not constitute an offer, solicitation or sale in any jurisdiction in which such offering, solicitation or sale would be unlawful.

The foregoing summary does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the complete terms of purchase agreement, a copy of which is filed as <u>Exhibit 10.1</u> hereto, and which is incorporated herein by reference.

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

The information contained in "Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement" is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibits are filed as part of this report:

Exhibit No. Description

10.1

Purchase Agreement, dated as of March 4, 2015, by and among Avis Budget Car Rental, LLC and Avis Budget Finance, Inc. as issuers, Avis Budget Group, Inc. and certain of its subsidiaries as guarantors and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated for itself and on behalf of the several initial purchasers.

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 hereto duly authorized.

AVIS BUDGET GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ Bryon L. Koepke

Name: Bryon L. Koepke

Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Securities Counsel

Date: March 10, 2015

AVIS BUDGET GROUP, INC. CURRENT REPORT ON FORM 8-K Report Dated <u>March 10, 2015 (March 4, 2015)</u>

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AVIS BUDGET CAR RENTAL, LLC

(a Delaware limited liability company)

AVIS BUDGET FINANCE, INC.

(a Delaware corporation)

\$375,000,000 5.25% Senior Notes due 2025

Purchase Agreement

As of March 4, 2015

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated

As Representative of the several Initial Purchasers listed in Schedule 1 hereto

c/o Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated One Bryant Park New York, NY 10036

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Avis Budget Car Rental, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("ABCR"), and Avis Budget Finance, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Avis Finance" and collectively with ABCR, the "Company"), propose to issue and sell to the several initial purchasers listed in Schedule 1 hereto (the "Initial Purchasers"), for whom you are acting as representative (the "Representative"), \$375,000,000 principal amount of its 5.25% Senior Notes due 2025 (the "Securities"). The Securities will be issued pursuant to an Indenture to be dated as of March 11, 2015 (the "Indenture") among the Company, Avis Budget Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Indirect Parent"), Avis Budget Holdings, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "Direct Parent" and together with the Indirect Parent, the "Parents") and each of the entities listed in Schedule 2 hereto (collectively with the Parents, the "Guarantors") and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as trustee (the "Trustee"), and will be fully and unconditionally guaranteed on an unsecured senior basis by each of the Guarantors (the "Guarantees").

The Securities will be sold to the Initial Purchasers without being registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), in reliance upon an exemption therefrom. The Company and the Guarantors have prepared a preliminary offering memorandum dated March 4, 2015 (the "Preliminary Offering Memorandum") and will prepare an offering memorandum dated the date hereof (the "Offering Memorandum") setting forth information concerning the Company, the Guarantors and the Securities. Copies of the Preliminary Offering Memorandum have been, and copies of the Offering Memorandum will be, delivered by the

Company to the Initial Purchasers pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. The Company hereby confirms that it has authorized the use of the Preliminary Offering Memorandum, the other Time of Sale Information (as defined below) and the Offering Memorandum in connection with the offering and resale of the Securities by the Initial Purchasers in the manner contemplated by this Agreement. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum. References herein to the "Preliminary Offering Memorandum," the "Time of Sale Information" and the "Offering Memorandum" (each as defined below) shall be deemed to refer to and include any document incorporated by reference therein.

At or prior to the time when sales of the Securities were first made (the "Time of Sale"), the following information shall have been prepared (collectively, the "Time of Sale Information"): the Preliminary Offering Memorandum as supplemented and amended by the written communications listed on Annex A hereto.

The Company and the Guarantors hereby confirm their agreement with the several Initial Purchasers concerning the purchase and resale of the Securities, as follows:

- 1. Purchase and Resale of the Securities. (a) The Company agrees to issue and sell the Securities to the several Initial Purchasers as provided in this Agreement, and each Initial Purchaser, on the basis of the representations, warranties and agreements set forth herein and subject to the conditions set forth herein, agrees, severally and not jointly, to purchase from the Company the respective principal amount of Securities set forth opposite such Initial Purchaser's name in Schedule 1 hereto at a price equal to 98.625% of the aggregate principal amount of the Securities. The Company will not be obligated to deliver any of the Securities except upon payment for all the Securities to be purchased as provided herein.
- (b) The Company understands that the Initial Purchasers intend to offer the Securities for resale on the terms set forth in the Time of Sale Information. Each Initial Purchaser, severally and not jointly, represents, warrants and agrees that:
 - (i) it is a qualified institutional buyer within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act (a "QIB") and an accredited investor within the meaning of Rule 501(a) under the Securities Act;
 - (ii) it has not solicited offers for, or offered or sold, and will not solicit offers for, or offer or sell, the Securities by means of any form of general solicitation or general advertising within the meaning of Rule 502(c) of Regulation D under the Securities Act ("Regulation D") or in any manner involving a public offering within the meaning of Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act; and
 - (iii) it has not solicited offers for, or offered or sold, and will not solicit offers for, or offer or sell, the Securities as part of its initial offering except:

- (A) within the United States to persons whom it reasonably believes to be QIBs in transactions pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act ("Rule 144A") and in connection with each such sale, it has taken or will take reasonable steps to ensure that the purchaser of the Securities is aware that such sale is being made in reliance on Rule 144A; or
 - (B) in accordance with the restrictions set forth in Annex C hereto.
- (c) Each Initial Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that the Company and, for purposes of the opinions to be delivered to the Initial Purchasers pursuant to Sections 6(g)(i), 6(h) and 6(i), counsel for the Company and counsel for the Initial Purchasers, respectively, may rely upon the accuracy of the representations and warranties of the Initial Purchasers, and compliance by the Initial Purchasers with their agreements, contained in paragraph (b) above (including Annex C hereto), and each Initial Purchaser hereby consents to such reliance.
- (d) The Company and the Guarantors acknowledge and agree that the Initial Purchasers may offer and sell Securities to or through any affiliate of an Initial Purchaser and that any such affiliate may offer and sell Securities purchased by it to or through any Initial Purchaser.
- (e) The Company and the Guarantors acknowledge and agree that the Initial Purchasers are acting solely in the capacity of an arm's length contractual counterparty to the Company and the Guarantors with respect to the offering of Securities contemplated hereby (including in connection with determining the terms of the offering) and not as financial advisors or fiduciaries to, or agents of, the Company, the Guarantors or any other person. Additionally, neither the Representative nor any other Initial Purchaser is advising the Company, the Guarantors or any other person as to any legal, tax, investment, accounting or regulatory matters in any jurisdiction. The Company and the Guarantors shall consult with their own advisors concerning such matters and shall be responsible for making their own independent investigation and appraisal of the transactions contemplated hereby, and neither the Representative nor any other Initial Purchaser shall have any responsibility or liability to the Company or the Guarantors with respect thereto. Any review by the Representative or any Initial Purchaser of the Company, the Guarantors, and the transactions contemplated hereby or other matters relating to such transactions will be performed solely for the benefit of the Representative or such Initial Purchaser, as the case may be, and shall not be on behalf of the Company, the Guarantors or any other person.
- 2. <u>Payment and Delivery</u>. (a) Payment for and delivery of the Securities will be made at the offices of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, Four Times Square, New York, New York 10036 at 10:00 A.M., New York City time, on March 11, 2015, or at such other time or place on the same or such other date, not later than the fifth business day thereafter, as the Representative and the Company may agree upon in writing. The time and date of such payment and delivery is referred to herein as the "Closing Date".
- (b) Payment for the Securities shall be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to the account(s) specified by the Company to the Representative against

delivery to the nominee of The Depository Trust Company, for the respective accounts of the several Initial Purchasers, of one or more global notes representing the Securities (collectively, the "Global Note"), with any transfer taxes payable in connection with the sale of the Securities duly paid by the Company. The Global Note will be made available for inspection by the Representative not later than 1:00 P.M., New York City time, on the business day prior to the Closing Date.

- 3. <u>Representations and Warranties of the Company and the Guarantors</u>. The Company and the Guarantors jointly and severally represent and warrant to each Initial Purchaser that:
- (a) Preliminary Offering Memorandum, Time of Sale Information and Offering Memorandum. The Preliminary Offering Memorandum, as of its date, did not, and the Offering Memorandum, as of its date and as of the Closing Date, will not, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, and the Time of Sale Information, at the Time of Sale, did not, and at the Closing Date, will not, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; in each case, provided that the Company and the Guarantors make no representation or warranty with respect to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with information relating to any Initial Purchaser furnished to the Company in writing by such Initial Purchaser through the Representative expressly for use in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum, the Time of Sale Information or the Offering Memorandum, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by any Initial Purchaser consists of the information described as such in Section 7(b) hereof.
- (b) Additional Written Communications. Other than the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum, the Company and the Guarantors (including their respective agents and representatives, other than the Initial Purchasers in their capacity as such) have not made, used, prepared, authorized, approved or referred to and will not prepare, make, use, authorize, approve or refer to any "written communication" (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act) that constitutes an offer to sell or solicitation of an offer to buy the Securities (each such communication by the Company and the Guarantors or their respective agents and representatives (other than a communication referred to in clauses (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) below), an "Issuer Written Communication") other than (i) the Preliminary Offering Memorandum, (ii) the Offering Memorandum, (iii) the documents listed on Annex A hereto, including a pricing supplement substantially in the form of Annex B hereto, which constitute part of the Time of Sale Information, (iv) each electronic road show and (v) any other written communication approved in writing in advance by the Representative. Each such Issuer Written Communication, when taken together with all other Issuer Written Communications used on or prior to the date of first use of such Issuer Written Communication and the Time of Sale Information, did not, and at the Closing Date will not, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided that the Company

and the Guarantors make no representation or warranty with respect to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with information relating to any Initial Purchaser furnished to the Company in writing by such Initial Purchaser through the Representative expressly for use in any Issuer Written Communication.

- (c) *Incorporated Documents*. The documents incorporated by reference in the Offering Memorandum or the Time of Sale Information, to the extent filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") conformed or will conform, as the case may be, in all material respects to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (collectively, the "Exchange Act") and such documents did not and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.
- (d) *Financial Statements*. The financial statements and the related notes thereto of the Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries included or incorporated by reference in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum present fairly in all material respects the consolidated financial position of the Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries as of the dates indicated and the results of their operations and the changes in their cash flows for the periods specified; such financial statements have been prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods covered thereby; and the other financial information relating to Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries included or incorporated by reference in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum has been derived from the accounting records of the Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries and presents fairly in all material respects the information shown thereby.
- (e) No Material Adverse Change. Since the date of the most recent financial statements of the Indirect Parent included or incorporated by reference in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum, except as set forth in the Time of Sale Information (excluding any amendment or supplement thereto) and the Offering Memorandum (excluding any amendment or supplement thereto), (i) there has not been any material change in the capital stock or long-term debt of the Indirect Parent or its subsidiaries, or any dividend or distribution of any kind declared, set aside for payment, paid or made by the Indirect Parent or the Company on any class of capital stock, or any material adverse change, or any development involving a prospective material adverse change, in or affecting the business, properties, management, financial position, results of operations or business prospects of the Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries taken as a whole; (ii) none of the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries has entered into any transaction or agreement that is material to the Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries taken as a whole, or incurred any liability or obligation, direct or contingent, that is material to the Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries taken as a whole; and (iii) none of the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries has sustained any material loss or interference with its business from fire, explosion, flood or other calamity, whether or not covered by insurance, or from any labor disturbance or dispute or any action, order or decree of any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority, except in each case as otherwise disclosed in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum.

- (f) Organization and Good Standing. The Company, the Guarantors and each of their respective subsidiaries have been duly organized and are validly existing and in good standing under the laws of their respective jurisdictions of organization (to the extent such terms have meaning in such jurisdictions), are duly qualified to do business and are in good standing in each jurisdiction in which their respective ownership or lease of property or the conduct of their respective businesses requires such qualification, and have all power and authority necessary to own or hold their respective properties and to conduct the businesses in which they are engaged, except where the failure to be so qualified, be in good standing or have such power or authority could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the business, properties, management, financial position, results of operations or business prospects of the Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries taken as a whole or on the performance by the Company and the Guarantors of their respective obligations under the Transaction Documents (as defined below) (a "Material Adverse Effect"). The Company does not own or control, directly or indirectly, any corporation, association or other entity other than the subsidiaries listed in Schedule 3 to this Agreement.
- (g) Capitalization. Indirect Parent had the capitalization as of December 31, 2014, as set forth in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum under the heading "Capitalization" in the "Actual" column; and all the outstanding shares of capital stock or other equity interests of each subsidiary of Indirect Parent have been duly authorized and validly issued, and are fully paid and non-assessable (except as otherwise described in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum) and are owned directly or indirectly by Indirect Parent, free and clear of any lien, charge, encumbrance, security interest, restriction on voting or transfer (other than transfer restrictions under applicable securities laws) or any other claim of any third party, except as described in the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum.
- (h) *Due Authorization*. The Company and each of the Guarantors have full right, power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement, the Securities (in the case of the Company) and the Indenture (including, with respect to the Guarantors, each Guarantee set forth therein) (collectively, the "Transaction Documents") to which they are a party and to perform their respective obligations hereunder and thereunder; and all action required to be taken for the due and proper authorization, execution and delivery of each of the Transaction Documents and the consummation of the transactions contemplated thereby or by the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum has been duly and validly taken.
- (i) The Indenture. The Indenture has been duly authorized by the Company and each of the Guarantors and, when duly executed and delivered in accordance with its terms by each of the parties thereto, will constitute a valid and legally binding agreement of the Company and each of the Guarantors, enforceable against the Company and each of the Guarantors in accordance with its terms, except as enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, fraudulent conveyance or transfer, moratorium or other similar laws relating to or affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally or by general equitable principles (whether considered in a proceeding in equity or law) relating to enforceability (collectively, the "Enforceability Exceptions").

- (j) The Securities and the Guarantees. The Securities have been duly authorized by the Company and, when duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered as provided in the Indenture and paid for as provided herein, will be duly and validly issued and outstanding and will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company, enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions, and will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture; and the Guarantees have been duly authorized by each of the Guarantors and, when the Indenture and Securities have been duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered as provided in the Indenture and the Securities have been paid for as provided herein, will be valid and legally binding obligations of, and enforceable against, each of the Guarantors in accordance with their terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions, and will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture.
- (k) *Purchase Agreement*. This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and each of the Guarantors.
 - (l) [Reserved].
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- (n) *Descriptions of the Transaction Documents*. Each Transaction Document conforms or will conform as of the Closing Date in all material respects to the description thereof contained in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum.
- (o) No Violation or Default. None of the Company and the Guarantors nor any of their respective subsidiaries is (i) in violation of its charter or by-laws or similar organizational documents; (ii) in default, and no event has occurred that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute such a default, in the due performance or observance of any term, covenant or condition contained in any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement or other agreement or instrument to which the Indirect Parent, the Company or any of their respective subsidiaries is a party or by which the Indirect Parent, the Company or any of their respective subsidiaries is bound or to which any of the property or assets of the Indirect Parent, the Company or any of their respective subsidiaries is subject; or (iii) in violation of any applicable law or statute or any judgment, order, rule or regulation of any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority, except, in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii) above, for any such default or violation that could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (p) *No Conflicts*. The execution, delivery and performance by the Company and the Guarantors of each of the Transaction Documents, as applicable, to which each is a party, the issuance and sale of the Securities (including the Guarantees) and the compliance by the Company and the Guarantors with the terms thereof and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Documents or the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum will not (i) conflict with or result in a breach or violation of any of the terms or provisions of, or constitute a default under, or result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property or assets of the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries (other than any lien, charge or encumbrance created, imposed or intended to be

created or imposed by the Transaction Documents) pursuant to, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement or other agreement or instrument to which the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries is a party or by which the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries is bound or to which any of the property or assets of the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries is subject; (ii) result in any violation of the provisions of the charter or by-laws or similar organizational documents of the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries; or (iii) assuming the accuracy of, and the Initial Purchasers' compliance with, the representations, warranties and agreements of the Initial Purchasers herein, and the compliance by the holders of the Securities with the offering and transfer restrictions set forth in the Offering Memorandum, result in the violation of any applicable law or statute or any judgment, order, rule or regulation of any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority, except, in the case of clauses (i) and (iii) above, for any such conflict, breach, violation, lien, charge, encumbrance or default that could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

- (q) *No Consents Required*. Assuming the accuracy of, and the Initial Purchasers' compliance with, the representations, warranties and agreements of the Initial Purchasers herein, and the compliance by the holders of the Securities with the offering and transfer restrictions set forth in the Offering Memorandum, no consent, approval, authorization, order, registration or qualification of or with any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority is required for the execution, delivery and performance by the Company and the Guarantors of each of the Transaction Documents, as applicable, to which each is a party, the issuance and sale of the Securities (including the Guarantees) and compliance by the Company and the Guarantors with the terms thereof and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Documents, except for such consents, approvals, authorizations, orders and registrations or qualifications as have been obtained or as may be required (i) under applicable state securities laws in connection with the purchase and resale of the Securities by the Initial Purchasers or (ii) that if not obtained or made could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (r) Legal Proceedings. Except as described in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum, there are no legal, governmental or regulatory investigations, actions, suits or proceedings pending to which the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries is or may be a party or to which any property of the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries is or may be the subject that, individually or in the aggregate, if determined adversely to the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and no such investigations, actions, suits or proceedings are, to the best knowledge of the Company and each of the Guarantors (without having undertaken any independent inquiry outside of the Company and each of the Guarantors), contemplated by any governmental or regulatory authority or by others.
- (s) *Independent Accountants*. Deloitte & Touche LLP, who have certified certain financial statements of the Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries, is an independent registered public accounting firm with respect to the Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries within the applicable rules and regulations adopted by the Commission and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and as required by the Securities Act.

- (t) *Title to Real and Personal Property.* The Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries have good and marketable title in fee simple to, or have valid rights to lease or otherwise use, all items of real and personal property that are material to the respective businesses of the Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries, in each case free and clear of all liens, encumbrances, claims and defects and imperfections of title except those that (i) are permitted under the Company's third amended and restated credit agreement with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. and the other parties thereto, dated as of October 3, 2014, as may be amended; (ii) do not materially interfere with the use made and proposed to be made of such property by the Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries; or (iii) could not reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (u) *Title to Intellectual Property.* The Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries own or possess adequate rights to use all material patents, patent applications, trademarks, service marks, trade names, trademark registrations, service mark registrations, copyrights, licenses and know-how (including trade secrets and other unpatented and/or unpatentable proprietary or confidential information, systems or procedures) reasonably necessary for the conduct of their respective businesses except where the failure to own or possess such rights could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and the conflict could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and the Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries have not received any notice of any claim of infringement of or conflict with any such rights of others which infringement or conflict, if the subject of an unfavorable decision, ruling or finding, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (v) *No Undisclosed Relationships*. No relationship, direct or indirect, exists between or among the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries, on the one hand, and the directors, officers, stockholders or other affiliates of the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries, on the other, that would be required by the Securities Act to be described in a registration statement to be filed with the Commission and that is not so described in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum.
- (w) *Investment Company Act*. None of the Company, the Guarantors, nor any of their subsidiaries is, and solely after giving effect to the offering and sale of the Securities and the application of the proceeds thereof as described in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum none of them will be, an "investment company" or an entity "controlled" by an "investment company" within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (collectively, the "Investment Company Act").
- (x) *Taxes.* Except as could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, (i) the Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries have paid all federal, state, local and foreign taxes, other than those being contested in good faith and by appropriate proceedings so long as there are adequate reserves for such taxes, and have filed all tax returns required to be paid or filed through the date hereof; and (ii) except as otherwise disclosed in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum, there is no tax

deficiency that has been, or could reasonably be expected to be, asserted against the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries or any of their respective properties or assets.

- (y) Licenses and Permits. The Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries possess such licenses, certificates, permits and other authorizations issued by, and have made such declarations and filings with, the appropriate federal, state, local or foreign governmental or regulatory authorities that are necessary for the ownership or lease of their respective properties or the conduct of their respective businesses as described in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum, except where the failure to possess or make the same could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and except as described in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum, none of the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries has received notice of any revocation or modification of any such license, certificate, permit or authorization will not be renewed in the ordinary course, which, if the subject of an unfavorable decision, ruling or finding, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (z) *No Labor Disputes*. No labor disturbance by or dispute with employees of the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries exists or, to the best knowledge (without having undertaken any independent inquiry outside of the Company and the Indirect Parent) of the Company and each of the Guarantors, is contemplated or threatened and neither the Company nor any Guarantor is aware of any existing or imminent labor disturbance by, or dispute with, the employees of any of the Indirect Parent's or any of its subsidiaries' principal suppliers, contractors or customers, except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (aa) Compliance With Environmental Laws. (i) The Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries (x) are, and at all prior times were, in compliance with any and all applicable federal, state, local and foreign laws, rules, regulations, requirements, decisions and orders relating to the protection of human health or safety, the environment, natural resources, hazardous or toxic substances or wastes, pollutants or contaminants (collectively, "Environmental Laws"), (y) have received and are in compliance with all permits, licenses, certificates or other authorizations or approvals required of them under applicable Environmental Laws to conduct their respective businesses, and (z) have not received notice of any actual or potential material liability under or relating to any Environmental Laws, including for the investigation or remediation of any disposal or release of hazardous or toxic substances or wastes, pollutants or contaminants, and have no knowledge of any event or condition that would reasonably be expected to result in any such notice; (ii) there are no costs or liabilities associated with Environmental Laws of or relating to the Indirect Parent or its subsidiaries, except in the case of each of (i) and (ii) of this Section 3(aa), for any such failure to comply, or failure to receive required permits, licenses or approvals, or cost or liability, as could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and (iii) except as described in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum, (x) there are no proceedings that are pending, or that are known to be contemplated, against the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries under any Environmental Laws in which a governmental entity is also a party, other than such proceedings

regarding which it is reasonably believed no monetary sanctions of \$100,000 or more will be imposed, (y) the Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries are not aware of any issues regarding compliance with Environmental Laws, or liabilities or other obligations under Environmental Laws or concerning hazardous or toxic substances or wastes, pollutants or contaminants, that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, and (z) none of the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries anticipates material capital expenditures relating to any Environmental Laws.

- (bb) Compliance With ERISA. Except as described in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum, (i) each employee benefit plan, within the meaning of Section 3(3) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA") that is subject to ERISA, for which the Indirect Parent, the Company or any member of their "Controlled Groups" (defined as any organization which is a member of a controlled group of corporations within the meaning of Section 414 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code")) would have any liability (each, a "Plan") has been maintained in compliance in all material respects with its terms and the requirements of any applicable statutes, orders, rules and regulations, including but not limited to ERISA and the Code; (ii) no prohibited transaction, within the meaning of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, has occurred with respect to any Plan excluding transactions effected pursuant to a statutory or administrative exemption; (iii) for each Plan that is subject to the funding rules of Section 412 of the Code or Section 302 of ERISA, no "accumulated funding deficiency" as defined in Section 412 of the Code, whether or not waived, has occurred or is reasonably expected to occur; and (iv) for each Plan that is subject to the funding rules of ERISA or the Code, the fair market value of the assets of each such Plan is not less than the present value of all benefits accrued under such Plan (determined based on those assumptions used to fund such Plan).
- (cc) *Disclosure Controls*. The Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries maintain an effective system of "disclosure controls and procedures" (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) of the Exchange Act) that is designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Indirect Parent in reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Commission's rules and forms, including controls and procedures designed to ensure that such information is accumulated and communicated to the Indirect Parent's management as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. The Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries have carried out evaluations of the effectiveness of their disclosure controls and procedures as and when required by Rule 13a-15 of the Exchange Act.
- (dd) *Accounting Controls*. The Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries maintain systems of "internal control over financial reporting" (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) of the Exchange Act) that comply with the requirements of the Exchange Act and have been designed by, or under the supervision of, their respective principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with GAAP, including but not limited to internal accounting controls sufficient to provide reasonable assurance that (i) transactions are executed in accordance with management's

general or specific authorizations; (ii) transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP, and to maintain asset accountability; (iii) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; and (iv) the recorded accountability for assets is compared with the existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences. Except as disclosed the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum, there are no material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in the Indirect Parent's and its subsidiaries' internal controls.

- (ee) *No Unlawful Payments*. None of the Indirect Parent, any of its subsidiaries nor, to the knowledge of the Company and each of the Guarantors, any director, officer, agent, employee or other person associated with or acting on behalf of the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries has (i) used any corporate funds for any unlawful contribution, gift, entertainment or other unlawful expense relating to political activity; (ii) made any direct or indirect unlawful payment to any foreign or domestic government official or employee from corporate funds; (iii) violated or is in violation of any provision of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, the OECD convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions or any similar law of any other relevant jurisdictions; or (iv) made any unlawful bribe, rebate, payoff, influence payment, kickback or other unlawful payment. The Company and its subsidiaries have instituted, maintained and enforced, and intend to continue to maintain and enforce, policies and procedures designed to promote and ensure compliance with all applicable anti-bribery and anticorruption laws.
- (ff) *Insurance*. The Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries have insurance covering their respective properties, operations, personnel and businesses, including business interruption insurance, which insurance is in amounts and insures against such losses and risks as the Indirect Parent's management reasonably believes are adequate to protect the Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries and their respective businesses; and none of the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries has (i) received notice from any insurer or agent of such insurer that capital improvements or other expenditures are required or necessary to be made in order to continue such insurance or (ii) any reason to believe that it will not be able to renew its existing insurance coverage as and when such coverage expires or to obtain similar coverage at reasonable cost from similar insurers as may be necessary to continue its business at a cost that could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (gg) Compliance with Money Laundering Laws. The operations of the Indirect Parent and its subsidiaries are and have been conducted at all times in compliance with applicable financial recordkeeping and reporting requirements of the Currency and Foreign Transactions Reporting Act of 1970, as amended, the money laundering statutes of all jurisdictions, the rules and regulations thereunder and any related or similar rules, regulations or guidelines, issued, administered or enforced by any governmental agency (collectively, the "Money Laundering Laws") and no action, suit or proceeding by or before any court or governmental agency, authority or body or any arbitrator involving the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries with respect to the Money Laundering Laws is pending or, to the best knowledge of the Company and the Indirect Parent, threatened.

- (hh) *Compliance with OFAC and Sanctions*. None of the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries or, to the knowledge of the Company and each of the Guarantors, any director, officer, agent, employee, affiliate or other person associated with or acting on behalf of the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries is currently subject to any U.S. sanctions administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Department of the Treasury ("OFAC"), the U.S. State Department, or any similar sanction or measures administered by the European Union or the United Kingdom (collectively, "Sanctions"), and the Company will not directly or indirectly use the proceeds of the offering of the Securities hereunder, or lend, contribute or otherwise make available such proceeds (i) to any subsidiary, joint venture partner or other person or entity, for the purpose of financing the activities of any person currently subject to any Sanctions, (ii) for the purpose of funding or facilitating any activities of or business in any country that is, at the time of such funding or facilitating, subject to Sanctions, or (iii) in any other manner that would reasonably be expected to result in a violation by any person of Sanctions.
- (ii) Solvency. On and immediately after the Closing Date, the Company and the Guarantors (on a consolidated basis after giving effect to the issuance of the Securities and the other transactions related thereto as described in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum) will be Solvent. As used in this paragraph, the term "Solvent" means, with respect to a particular date, that on such date (i) the present fair market value (or present fair saleable value) of the assets of such person is not less than the total amount required to pay the liabilities of such person on its total existing debts and liabilities (including contingent liabilities) as they become absolute and matured; (ii) such person is able to realize upon its assets and pay its debts and other liabilities, contingent obligations and commitments as they mature and become due in the normal course of business; (iii) assuming consummation of the issuance of the Securities as contemplated by this Agreement, the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum, such person is not incurring debts or liabilities beyond its ability to pay as such debts and liabilities mature; (iv) such person is not engaged in any business or transaction, and does not propose to engage in any business or transaction, for which its property would constitute unreasonably small capital after giving due consideration to the prevailing practice in the industry in which such person is engaged; and (v) such person is not a defendant in any civil action that would result in a judgment that such person is or would become unable to satisfy.
- (jj) *No Restrictions on Subsidiaries*. No subsidiary of the Indirect Parent is currently subject to any material prohibition, directly or indirectly, under any agreement or other instrument to which it is a party or is subject, from paying any dividends to the Indirect Parent, as applicable, from making any other distribution on such subsidiary's capital stock or membership interests, as applicable, from repaying to the Indirect Parent or the Company any loans or advances to such subsidiary from the Indirect Parent or the Company as applicable, or from transferring any of such subsidiary's properties or assets to the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries, other than as disclosed in the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum.
- (kk) *No Broker's Fees.* None of the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries is a party to any contract, agreement or understanding with any person (other than this Agreement) that

would give rise to a valid claim against the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries or any Initial Purchaser for a brokerage commission, finder's fee or like payment in connection with the offering and sale of the Securities.

- (ll) *Rule 144A Eligibility.* On the Closing Date, the Securities will not be of the same class as securities listed on a national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Exchange Act or quoted in an automated inter-dealer quotation system; and each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum, as of its respective date, contains or will contain all the information that, if requested by a prospective purchaser of the Securities, would be required to be provided to such prospective purchaser pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.
- (mm) *No Integration*. Neither the Company nor any of its affiliates (as defined in Rule 501(b) of Regulation D) has, directly or through any agent, sold, offered for sale, solicited offers to buy or otherwise negotiated in respect of, any security (as defined in the Securities Act), that is or will be integrated with the sale of the Securities in a manner that would require registration of the Securities under the Securities Act.
- (nn) *No General Solicitation or Directed Selling Efforts.* None of the Company or any of its affiliates or any other person acting on its or their behalf (other than the Initial Purchasers, as to which no representation is made) has (i) directly or indirectly, solicited offers for, or offered or sold, the Securities by means of any form of general solicitation or general advertising within the meaning of Rule 502(c) of Regulation D or in any manner involving a public offering within the meaning of Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act or (ii) with respect to those Securities offered or sold in reliance upon Regulation S under the Securities Act ("Regulation S"), engaged in any directed selling efforts within the meaning of Regulation S, and assuming the accuracy of the representations and warranties of the Initial Purchasers herein, all such persons have complied with the offering restrictions requirement of Regulation S.
- (oo) *Securities Law Exemptions*. Assuming the accuracy of the representations and warranties of the Initial Purchasers contained herein (including Annex C hereto) and their compliance with their agreements set forth therein, it is not necessary, in connection with the issuance and sale of the Securities to the Initial Purchasers and the offer, resale and delivery of the Securities by the Initial Purchasers in the manner contemplated by this Agreement, the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum, to register the Securities under the Securities Act or to qualify the Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act.
- (pp) *No Stabilization*. Neither the Company nor any of the Guarantors has taken, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that could reasonably be expected to cause or result in any stabilization or manipulation of the price of the Securities.
- (qq) *Margin Rules*. Neither the issuance, sale and delivery of the Securities nor the application of the proceeds thereof by the Company as described in the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum will violate Regulation T, U or X of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System or any other regulation of such Board of Governors.

- (rr) *Forward-Looking Statements*. No forward-looking statement (within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act) contained or incorporated by reference in any of the Time of Sale Information or the Offering Memorandum has been made or reaffirmed without a reasonable basis or has been disclosed other than in good faith.
- (ss) *Statistical and Market Data*. Nothing has come to the attention of the Company or any Guarantor that has caused the Company or any Guarantor to believe that the statistical and market-related data included or incorporated by reference in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum is not based on or derived from sources that are reliable and accurate in all material respects.
- 4. <u>Further Agreements of the Company and the Guarantors</u>. The Company and each of the Guarantors jointly and severally covenant and agree with each Initial Purchaser that:
- (a) *Delivery of Copies*. The Company will deliver, without charge, to the Initial Purchasers as many copies of the Preliminary Offering Memorandum, any other Time of Sale Information, any Issuer Written Communication and the Offering Memorandum (including all amendments and supplements thereto) as the Representative may reasonably request.
- (b) Offering Memorandum, Amendments or Supplements. Before finalizing the Offering Memorandum or making or distributing any amendment or supplement to any of the Time of Sale Information or the Offering Memorandum or the filing with the Commission any document that will be incorporated by reference therein, the Company will furnish to the Representative and counsel for the Initial Purchasers a copy of the proposed Offering Memorandum or such amendment or supplement or document to be incorporated by reference therein for review, and will not distribute any such proposed Offering Memorandum, amendment or supplement or allow to be filed any such document with the Commission to which the Representative reasonably objects; provided that, if in the opinion of the outside counsel of Indirect Parent and the Company, such proposed amendment or supplement is required by law, the Company can make such amendment or supplement, notwithstanding any such reasonable objection.
- (c) Additional Written Communications. Before using, authorizing, approving or referring to any Issuer Written Communication, the Company will furnish to the Representative and counsel for the Initial Purchasers a copy of such written communication for review and will not use, authorize, approve or refer to any such written communication to which the Representative reasonably objects.
- (d) *Notice to the Representative*. The Indirect Parent and the Company will advise the Representative promptly, and confirm such advice in writing, (i) of the issuance by any governmental or regulatory authority of any order preventing or suspending the use of any of the Time of Sale Information, any Issuer Written Communication or the Offering Memorandum or the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for that purpose; (ii) of the occurrence of any event at any time prior to the completion of the initial offering of the Securities as a result of which any of the Time of Sale Information, any Issuer Written Communication or the Offering

Memorandum as then amended or supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances existing when such Time of Sale Information, such Issuer Written Communication or the Offering Memorandum is delivered to a purchaser, not misleading; and (iii) of the receipt by the Company of any notice with respect to any suspension of the qualification of the Securities for offer and sale in any jurisdiction or the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for such purpose; and the Indirect Parent and the Company will use its reasonable best efforts to prevent the issuance of any such order preventing or suspending the use of any of the Time of Sale Information, any Issuer Written Communication or the Offering Memorandum or suspending any such qualification of the Securities and, if any such order is issued, will obtain as soon as possible the withdrawal thereof.

- (e) Ongoing Compliance of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum. (1) If at any time prior to the completion of the initial offering of the Securities by the Initial Purchasers (i) any event shall occur or condition shall exist as a result of which the Offering Memorandum as then amended or supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Offering Memorandum is delivered to a purchaser, not misleading or (ii) it is necessary to amend or supplement the Offering Memorandum to comply with law, the Indirect Parent and the Company will promptly notify the Initial Purchasers thereof and forthwith prepare and, subject to paragraph (b) above, furnish to the Initial Purchasers such amendments or supplements to the Offering Memorandum as may be necessary so that the statements in the Offering Memorandum as so amended or supplemented will not, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Offering Memorandum is delivered to a purchaser, be misleading or so that the Offering Memorandum will comply with law; and (2) if at any time prior to the Closing Date (i) any event shall occur or condition shall exist as a result of which any of the Time of Sale Information as then amended or supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading or (ii) it is necessary to amend or supplement any of the Time of Sale Information so that any of the Time of Sale Information will not include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, the Indirect Parent and the Company will promptly notify the Initial Purchasers thereof and forthwith prepare and, subject to paragraph (b) above, furnish to the Initial Purchasers such amendments or supplements to any of the Time of Sale Information as may be necessary so that the statements in any of the Time of Sale Information as so amended or supplemented will not, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, be misleading.
- (f) Blue Sky Compliance. The Company will cooperate with the Initial Purchasers and counsel for the Initial Purchasers to qualify or register (or to obtain exemption from qualifying or registering) the Securities for offer and sale under the securities or Blue Sky laws of such jurisdictions as the Representative shall reasonably request and will continue such qualifications, registrations and exemptions in effect so long as required for the offering and resale of the Securities; <u>provided</u> that neither the Company nor any of the Guarantors shall be

required to (i) qualify as a foreign corporation or other entity or as a dealer in securities in any such jurisdiction where it would not otherwise be required to so qualify; (ii) file any general consent to service of process in any such jurisdiction; or (iii) subject itself to taxation in any such jurisdiction if it is not otherwise so subject.

- (g) Clear Market. During the period from the date hereof through and including the date that is 90 days after the date hereof, none of the Company and the Guarantors will, without the prior written consent of the Representative, offer, sell, contract to sell or otherwise dispose of any debt securities (other than loans pursuant to credit facilities described in the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum or loans paid off by the Company or any of its subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business) issued or guaranteed by the Company or any of the Guarantors and having a tenor of more than one year.
- (h) *Use of Proceeds*. The Company will apply the net proceeds from the sale of the Securities as described in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum under the heading "Use of proceeds".
- (i) Supplying Information. While the Securities remain outstanding and are "restricted securities" within the meaning of Rule 144(a)(3) under the Securities Act, the Company and each of the Guarantors will, during any period in which the Company is not subject to and in compliance with Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, furnish to holders of the Securities and prospective purchasers of the Securities designated by such holders, upon the request of such holders or such prospective purchasers, the information required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.
- (j) *DTC*. The Company will assist the Initial Purchasers in arranging for the Securities to be eligible for clearance and settlement through The Depository Trust Company ("DTC").
- (k) *No Resales by the Company.* The Company will not, and will not permit any of its affiliates (as defined in Rule 144 under the Securities Act) to, resell any of the Securities that have been acquired by any of them, except for Securities purchased by the Company or any of its affiliates and resold in a transaction registered under the Securities Act.
- (l) *No Integration*. Neither the Company nor any of its affiliates (as defined in Rule 501(b) of Regulation D) will, directly or through any agent, sell, offer for sale, solicit offers to buy or otherwise negotiate in respect of, any security (as defined in the Securities Act), that is or will be integrated with the sale of the Securities in a manner that would require registration of the Securities under the Securities Act.
- (m) No General Solicitation or Directed Selling Efforts. None of the Company or any of its affiliates or any other person acting on its or their behalf (other than the Initial Purchasers, as to which no covenant is given) will (i) solicit offers for, or offer or sell, the Securities by means of any form of general solicitation or general advertising within the meaning of Rule 502(c) of Regulation D or in any manner involving a public offering within the meaning of Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act or (ii) with respect to those Securities offered or sold in reliance upon

Regulation S, engage in any directed selling efforts within the meaning of Regulation S, and all such persons will comply with the offering restrictions requirement of Regulation S.

- (n) *No Stabilization*. Neither the Company nor any of its affiliates will take, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that could reasonably be expected to cause or result in any stabilization or manipulation of the price of the Securities.
- (o) *Legended Securities*. Each certificate for a Security will bear the applicable legend(s) contained in "Notice to investors" in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum for the time period and upon the other terms stated in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum.
- 5. <u>Certain Agreements of the Initial Purchasers</u>. Each Initial Purchaser hereby severally represents and agrees that it has not and will not use, authorize use of, refer to, or participate in the planning for use of, any written communication that constitutes an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy the Securities other than (i) the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum; (ii) a written communication that contains no "issuer information" (as defined in Rule 433(h)(2) under the Securities Act) that was not included (including through incorporation by reference) in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum or the Offering Memorandum; (iii) any written communication listed on Annex A or prepared pursuant to Section 4(c) above (including any electronic road show); (iv) any written communication prepared by such Initial Purchaser and approved by the Company in advance in writing; or (iv) any written communication relating to or that contains the terms of the Securities and/or other information that was included (including through incorporation by reference) in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum or the Offering Memorandum.
- 6. <u>Conditions of Initial Purchasers' Obligations.</u> The obligation of each Initial Purchaser to purchase Securities on the Closing Date as provided herein is subject to the performance by the Company and each of the Guarantors of their respective covenants and other obligations hereunder and to the following additional conditions:
- (a) Representations and Warranties. The representations and warranties of the Company and the Guarantors contained herein shall be true and correct on the date hereof and on and as of the Closing Date; and the statements of the Company and the Guarantors and their respective officers made in any certificates delivered pursuant to this Agreement shall be true and correct on and as of the Closing Date.
- (b) *No Downgrade*. From and after the Time of Sale and prior to the Closing Date no downgrading shall have occurred in the rating accorded the Securities or any other debt securities or preferred stock issued or guaranteed by the Indirect Parent or any of its subsidiaries by any nationally recognized statistical rating organization.
- (c) *No Material Adverse Change*. For the period from and after the signing of this Agreement and prior to the Closing Date, no event or condition of a type described in Section 3(e) hereof shall have occurred or shall exist, which event or condition is not described in each of the Time of Sale Information (excluding any amendment or supplement thereto) and the Offering Memorandum (excluding any amendment or supplement thereto), the effect of which in the

judgment of the Representative makes it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the offering, sale or delivery of the Securities on the terms and in the manner contemplated by this Agreement, the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum.

(d) Officer's Certificate. The Representative shall have received on and as of the Closing Date a certificate of an executive officer of the Company and of each Guarantor who has specific knowledge of the Company's or such Guarantor's, as applicable, financial matters and is satisfactory to the Representative (i) confirming that such officer has carefully reviewed the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum and, to the best knowledge of such officer, the representations set forth in Sections 3(a) and 3(b) hereof are true and correct; (ii) confirming that the other representations and warranties of the Company and the Guarantors in this Agreement are true and correct and that the Company and the Guarantors have complied with all agreements and satisfied all conditions on their part to be performed or satisfied hereunder at or prior to the Closing Date; (iii) to the effect set forth in paragraphs (b) and (c) above; and (iv) confirming which Guarantors, organized or incorporated outside the state of Delaware, are "significant subsidiaries," if any, of the Company as such term is defined under Rule 1-02(w) of Regulation S-X promulgated under the Securities Act.

(e) [Reserved].

- (f) *Comfort Letters*. On the date of this Agreement and on the Closing Date, Deloitte & Touche LLP shall have furnished to the Representative, at the request of the Company, letters, dated the respective dates of delivery thereof and addressed to the Initial Purchasers, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Representative, containing statements and information of the type customarily included in accountants' "comfort letters" to underwriters with respect to the financial statements and certain financial information contained or incorporate by reference in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum; provided that the letter delivered on the Closing Date shall use a "cut-off" date no more than three business days prior to the Closing Date.
- (g) Opinion and Negative Assurance Letter of Counsel for the Company and the Guarantors. (i) Kirkland & Ellis LLP, counsel for the Company and the Guarantors, shall have furnished to the Representative, at the request of the Company, their written opinion and negative assurance letter, dated the Closing Date and addressed to the Initial Purchasers, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Kirkland Opinions"), and (ii) Bryon L. Koepke, Senior Vice President and Chief Securities Counsel of the Company, shall have furnished to the Representative, at the request of the Company, his written opinion, dated the Closing Date and addressed to the Initial Purchasers, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B (the "Company Opinion").
- (h) Additional Opinions with respect to the Guarantors. The Initial Purchasers shall receive opinions covering the laws of organization or incorporation of those Guarantors organized or incorporated outside the State of Delaware if any such Guarantor is a "significant subsidiary" as such term is defined under Rule 1-02(w) of Regulation S-X promulgated under the Securities Act, either individually or taken together with other such Guarantors, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Representative.

- (i) *Opinion and Negative Assurance Letter of Counsel for the Initial Purchasers*. The Representative shall have received on and as of the Closing Date an opinion and negative assurance letter of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, counsel for the Initial Purchasers, with respect to such matters as the Representative may reasonably request, and such counsel shall have received such documents and information as they may reasonably request to enable them to pass upon such matters.
- (j) No Legal Impediment. No action shall have been taken and no statute, rule, regulation or order shall have been enacted, adopted or issued by any federal, state or foreign governmental or regulatory authority that would, as of the Closing Date, prevent the issuance or sale of the Securities or the issuance of the Guarantees; and no injunction or order of any federal, state or foreign court shall have been issued that would, as of the Closing Date, prevent the issuance or sale of the Securities or the issuance of the Guarantees.
- (k) *Good Standing*. The Representative shall have received on and as of the Closing Date satisfactory evidence of the good standing of the Company and each of the Guarantors in their respective jurisdictions of organization and their good standing in such other jurisdictions as the Representative may reasonably request, in each case in writing or any standard form of telecommunication, from the appropriate governmental authorities of such jurisdictions.
 - (l) *DTC*. The Securities shall be eligible for clearance and settlement through DTC.
- (m) *Additional Documents*. On or prior to the Closing Date, the Company and the Guarantors shall have furnished to the Representative such further certificates and documents as the Representative may reasonably request.

All opinions, letters, certificates and evidence mentioned above or elsewhere in this Agreement shall be deemed to be in compliance with the provisions hereof only if they are in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to counsel for the Initial Purchasers.

7. <u>Indemnification and Contribution</u>.

(a) Indemnification of the Initial Purchasers. The Company and each of the Guarantors jointly and severally agree to indemnify and hold harmless each Initial Purchaser, its affiliates, directors and officers and each person, if any, who controls such Initial Purchaser within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act, from and against any and all losses, claims, damages and liabilities (including, without limitation, legal fees and other expenses reasonably incurred in connection with any suit, action or proceeding or any claim asserted, as such fees and expenses are incurred), joint or several, that arise out of, or are based upon, any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum, any of the other Time of Sale Information, any Issuer Written Communication or the Offering Memorandum (or any amendment or supplement thereto) or any omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, in each case except insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities arise out of, or are based upon, any untrue statement or omission or alleged

untrue statement or omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with any information relating to any Initial Purchaser furnished to the Company in writing by such Initial Purchaser through the Representative expressly for use therein.

- (b) Indemnification of the Company and the Guarantors. Each Initial Purchaser agrees, severally and not jointly, to indemnify and hold harmless the Company, each of the Guarantors, each of their respective directors and officers and each person, if any, who controls the Company or any of the Guarantors within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act to the same extent as the indemnity set forth in paragraph (a) above, but only with respect to any losses, claims, damages or liabilities that arise out of, or are based upon, any untrue statement or omission or alleged untrue statement or omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with any information relating to such Initial Purchaser furnished to the Company in writing by such Initial Purchaser through the Representative expressly for use in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum, any of the other Time of Sale Information, any Issuer Written Communication or the Offering Memorandum (or any amendment or supplement thereto), it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by any Initial Purchaser consists of the following: the information contained in (i) the first sentence in the second paragraph, (ii) the second and third sentences under the fifth paragraph, (iii) the third and fourth sentences under the sixth paragraph, (iv) the eighth paragraph and (v) the eighteenth paragraph under the heading "Plan of Distribution" in the Preliminary Offering Memorandum and the Offering Memorandum.
- Notice and Procedures. If any suit, action, proceeding (including any governmental or regulatory investigation), claim or demand shall be brought or asserted against any person in respect of which indemnification may be sought pursuant to either paragraph (a) or (b) above, such person (the "Indemnified Person") shall promptly notify the person against whom such indemnification may be sought (the "Indemnifying Person") in writing; provided that the failure to notify the Indemnifying Person shall not relieve it from any liability that it may have under paragraph (a) or (b) above except to the extent that it has been materially prejudiced (through the forfeiture of substantive rights or defenses) by such failure; and provided, further, that the failure to notify the Indemnifying Person shall not relieve it from any liability that it may have to an Indemnified Person otherwise than under paragraph (a) or (b) above. If any such proceeding shall be brought or asserted against an Indemnified Person and it shall have notified the Indemnifying Person thereof, the Indemnifying Person shall retain counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person (who shall not, without the consent of the Indemnified Person, be counsel to the Indemnifying Person) to represent the Indemnified Person and any others entitled to indemnification pursuant to this Section 7 that the Indemnifying Person may designate in such proceeding and shall pay the fees and expenses of such proceeding and shall pay the reasonable fees and expenses of such counsel related to such proceeding, as incurred. In any such proceeding, any Indemnified Person shall have the right to retain its own counsel, but the fees and expenses of such counsel shall be at the expense of such Indemnified Person unless (i) the Indemnifying Person and the Indemnified Person shall have mutually agreed to the contrary; (ii) the Indemnifying Person has failed within a reasonable time to retain counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person; (iii) the Indemnified Person shall have reasonably concluded that there may be legal defenses available to it that are different from or in

addition to those available to the Indemnifying Person; or (iv) the named parties in any such proceeding (including any impleaded parties) include both the Indemnifying Person and the Indemnified Person and representation of both parties by the same counsel would be inappropriate due to actual or potential differing interests between them. It is understood and agreed that the Indemnifying Person shall not, in connection with any proceeding or related proceeding in the same jurisdiction, be liable for the reasonable fees and expenses of more than one separate firm (in addition to any local counsel) for all Indemnified Persons, and that all such reasonable fees and expenses shall be reimbursed as they are incurred. Any such separate firm for any Initial Purchaser, its affiliates, directors and officers and any control persons of such Initial Purchaser shall be designated in writing by the Representative and any such separate firm for the Company, the Guarantors, their respective directors and officers and any control persons of the Company and the Guarantors shall be designated in writing by ABCR. The Indemnifying Person shall not be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent, but if settled with such consent or if there be a final judgment for the plaintiff, the Indemnifying Person agrees to indemnify each Indemnified Person from and against any loss or liability by reason of such settlement or judgment. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, if at any time an Indemnified Person shall have requested that an Indemnifying Person reimburse the Indemnified Person for reasonable fees and expenses of counsel as contemplated by this paragraph, the Indemnifying Person shall be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent if (i) such settlement is entered into more than 30 days after receipt by the Indemnifying Person of such request, (ii) the Indemnifying Person shall not have reimbursed the Indemnified Person in accordance with such request prior to the date of such settlement unless such fees and expenses are being disputed in good faith, and (iii) the Indemnified Person shall have given at least 30 days written notice of its intention to settle. No Indemnifying Person shall, without the written consent of the Indemnified Person, effect any settlement of any pending or threatened proceeding in respect of which any Indemnified Person is or could have been a party and indemnification is or could have been sought hereunder by such Indemnified Person, unless such settlement (x) includes an unconditional release of such Indemnified Person, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to such Indemnified Person, from all liability on claims that are the subject matter of such proceeding and (v) does not include any statement as to or any admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act by or on behalf of any Indemnified Person.

(d) *Contribution*. If the indemnification provided for in paragraphs (a) and (b) above is unavailable to or insufficient to hold harmless an Indemnified Person or insufficient in respect of any losses, claims, damages or liabilities referred to therein, then each Indemnifying Person under such paragraph, in lieu of indemnifying such Indemnified Person thereunder, shall contribute to the aggregate amount paid or payable by such Indemnified Person, as incurred, as a result of such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (i) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company and the Guarantors on the one hand and the Initial Purchasers on the other from the offering of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement or (ii) if the allocation provided by clause (i) is not permitted by applicable law, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only the relative benefits referred to in clause (i) but also the relative fault of the Company and the Guarantors on the one hand and the Initial Purchasers on the other in connection with the statements or omissions that resulted in such losses, claims,

damages or liabilities, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative benefits received by the Company and the Guarantors on the one hand and the Initial Purchasers on the other shall be deemed to be in the same respective proportions as the net proceeds (before deducting expenses) received by the Company from the sale of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement and the total discounts and commissions received by the Initial Purchasers in connection therewith, as provided in this Agreement, bear to the aggregate initial offering price of the Securities. The relative fault of the Company and the Guarantors on the one hand and the Initial Purchasers on the other shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the Company or any Guarantor or by the Initial Purchasers and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission.

- (e) *Limitation on Liability*. The Company, the Guarantors and the Initial Purchasers agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this Section 7 were determined by <u>pro rata</u> allocation (even if the Initial Purchasers were treated as one entity for such purpose) or by any other method of allocation that does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in paragraph (d) above. The amount paid or payable by an Indemnified Person as a result of the losses, claims, damages and liabilities referred to in paragraph (d) above shall be deemed to include, subject to the limitations set forth above, any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such Indemnified Person in connection with investigating, defending or preparing to defend any such action or claim. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 7, in no event shall an Initial Purchaser be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total discounts and commissions received by such Initial Purchaser with respect to the offering of the Securities exceeds the amount of any damages that such Initial Purchaser has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission. No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. The Initial Purchasers' obligations to contribute pursuant to this Section 7 are several in proportion to their respective purchase obligations hereunder and not joint.
- (f) *Non-Exclusive Remedies*. The remedies provided for in this Section 7 are not exclusive and shall not limit any rights or remedies that may otherwise be available to any Indemnified Person at law or in equity.
- 8. <u>Effectiveness of Agreement</u>. This Agreement shall become effective upon the execution and delivery hereof by the parties hereto.
- 9. <u>Termination</u>. This Agreement may be terminated in the absolute discretion of the Representative, by notice to the Company, if after the execution and delivery of this Agreement and on or prior to the Closing Date (i) trading generally shall have been suspended or materially limited on the New York Stock Exchange or Nasdaq Stock Market; (ii) trading of any securities issued or guaranteed by the Company or any of the Guarantors shall have been suspended on any exchange or in any over-the-counter market; (iii) a general moratorium on commercial banking

activities shall have been declared by federal or New York State authorities; (iv) there shall have occurred any outbreak or escalation of hostilities or any change in financial markets or any calamity or crisis, either within or outside the United States, that, in the judgment of the Representative, is material and adverse to, and makes it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with, the offering, sale or delivery, of the Securities on the terms and in the manner contemplated by this Agreement, the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum; or (v) the representation in Section 3(a) is incorrect in any respect.

- 10. <u>Defaulting Initial Purchaser</u>. (a) If, on the Closing Date, any Initial Purchaser defaults on its obligation to purchase the Securities that it has agreed to purchase hereunder, the non-defaulting Initial Purchasers may in their discretion arrange for the purchase of such Securities by other persons satisfactory to the Company on the terms contained in this Agreement. If, within 36 hours after any such default by any Initial Purchaser, the non-defaulting Initial Purchasers do not arrange for the purchase of such Securities, then the Company shall be entitled to a further period of 36 hours within which to procure other persons satisfactory to the non-defaulting Initial Purchasers to purchase such Securities on such terms. If other persons become obligated or agree to purchase the Securities of a defaulting Initial Purchaser, either the non-defaulting Initial Purchasers or the Company may postpone the Closing Date for up to five full business days in order to effect any changes that in the opinion of counsel for the Company or counsel for the Initial Purchasers may be necessary in the Time of Sale Information, the Offering Memorandum or in any other document or arrangement, and the Indirect Parent and the Company agree to promptly prepare any amendment or supplement to the Time of Sale Information or the Offering Memorandum that effects any such changes. As used in this Agreement, the term "Initial Purchaser" includes, for all purposes of this Agreement unless the context otherwise requires, any person not listed in Schedule 1 hereto that, pursuant to this Section 10, purchases Securities that a defaulting Initial Purchaser agreed but failed to purchase.
- (b) If, after giving effect to any arrangements for the purchase of the Securities of a defaulting Initial Purchaser or Initial Purchasers by the non-defaulting Initial Purchasers and the Company as provided in paragraph (a) above, the aggregate principal amount of such Securities that remains unpurchased does not exceed one-eleventh of the aggregate principal amount of all the Securities, then the Company shall have the right to require each non-defaulting Initial Purchaser to purchase the principal amount of Securities that such Initial Purchaser agreed to purchase hereunder plus such Initial Purchaser's <u>pro rata</u> share (based on the principal amount of Securities that such Initial Purchaser agreed to purchase hereunder) of the Securities of such defaulting Initial Purchaser or Initial Purchasers for which such arrangements have not been made.
- (c) If, after giving effect to any arrangements for the purchase of the Securities of a defaulting Initial Purchaser or Initial Purchasers by the non-defaulting Initial Purchasers and the Company as provided in paragraph (a) above, the aggregate principal amount of such Securities that remains unpurchased exceeds one-eleventh of the aggregate principal amount of all the Securities, or if the Company shall not exercise the right described in paragraph (b) above, then this Agreement shall terminate without liability on the part of the non-defaulting Initial

Purchasers. Any termination of this Agreement pursuant to this Section 10 shall be without liability on the part of the Company or the Guarantors, except that the Company and each of the Guarantors will continue to be liable for the payment of expenses as set forth in Section 11 hereof and except that the provisions of Section 7 hereof shall not terminate and shall remain in effect.

- (d) Nothing contained herein shall relieve a defaulting Initial Purchaser of any liability it may have to the Company, the Guarantors or any non-defaulting Initial Purchaser for damages caused by its default.
- 11. Payment of Expenses. (a) Whether or not the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are consummated or this Agreement is terminated, the Company and each of the Guarantors jointly and severally agree to pay or cause to be paid all costs and expenses incident to the performance of their respective obligations hereunder, including, without limitation, (i) the costs incident to the authorization, issuance, sale, preparation and delivery of the Securities and any taxes payable in that connection; (ii) the costs incident to the preparation and printing of the Preliminary Offering Memorandum, any other Time of Sale Information, any Issuer Written Communication and the Offering Memorandum (including any amendments or supplements thereto) and the distribution thereof; (iii) the costs of reproducing and distributing each of the Transaction Documents; (iv) the fees and expenses of the Company's and the Guarantors' counsel and independent accountants; (v) the fees and expenses incurred in connection with the registration or qualification and determination of eligibility for investment of the Securities under the laws of such jurisdictions as the Representative may designate and the preparation, printing and distribution of a Blue Sky Memorandum (including the related fees and expenses of counsel for the Initial Purchasers); (vi) any fees charged by rating agencies for rating the Securities; (vii) the fees and expenses of the Trustee and any paying agent (including related fees and expenses of any counsel to such parties); (viii) all expenses and application fees incurred in connection with the approval of the Securities for book-entry transfer by DTC; and (ix) 50% of all expenses incurred by the Company in connection with any "road show" presentation to potential investors.
- (b) If (i) this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 9 (other than pursuant to clause (v) of Section 9 if the Company and the Initial Purchasers subsequently enter into another agreement for the Initial Purchasers to purchase the same or substantially similar securities of the Company), (ii) the Company for any reason fails to tender the Securities for delivery to the Initial Purchasers or (iii) the Initial Purchasers decline to purchase the Securities for any reason permitted under this Agreement, the Company and each of the Guarantors jointly and severally agree to reimburse the Initial Purchasers for all out-of-pocket costs and expenses (including the fees and expenses of their counsel) reasonably incurred by the Initial Purchasers in connection with this Agreement and the offering contemplated hereby.
- 12. <u>Persons Entitled to Benefit of Agreement</u>. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors and any controlling persons referred to herein, and the affiliates, officers and directors of each Initial Purchaser referred to in Section 7 hereof. Nothing in this Agreement is intended or shall be

construed to give any other person any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or in respect of this Agreement or any provision contained herein. No purchaser of Securities from any Initial Purchaser shall be deemed to be a successor merely by reason of such purchase.

- 13. <u>Survival</u>. The respective indemnities, rights of contribution, representations, warranties and agreements of the Company, the Guarantors and the Initial Purchasers contained in this Agreement or made by or on behalf of the Company, the Guarantors or the Initial Purchasers pursuant to this Agreement or any certificate delivered pursuant hereto shall survive the delivery of and payment for the Securities and shall remain in full force and effect, regardless of any termination of this Agreement or any investigation made by or on behalf of the Company, the Guarantors or the Initial Purchasers.
- 14. <u>Certain Defined Terms</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, (a) except where otherwise expressly provided, the term "affiliate" has the meaning set forth in Rule 405 under the Securities Act; (b) the term "business day" means any day other than a day on which banks are permitted or required to be closed in New York City; and (c) the term "subsidiary" has the meaning set forth in Rule 405 under the Securities Act.
- 15. <u>Governing Law Provisions</u>. (a) *Governing Law*. THIS AGREEMENT AND ANY CLAIM, CONTROVERSY OR DISPUTE ARISING UNDER OR RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.
- (b) Consent to Jurisdiction. Any legal suit, action or proceeding arising out of or based upon this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby ("Related Proceedings") may be instituted in the federal courts of the United States of America located in the City and County of New York or the courts of the State of New York in each case located in the City and County of New York (collectively, the "Specified Courts"), and each party irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction (except for suits, actions, or proceedings instituted in regard to the enforcement of a judgment of any Specified Court in a Related Proceeding, as to which such jurisdiction is non-exclusive) of the Specified Courts in any Related Proceeding. Service of any process, summons, notice or document by mail to such party's address set forth above shall be effective service of process for any Related Proceeding brought in any Specified Court. The parties irrevocably and unconditionally waive any objection to the laying of venue of any Specified Proceeding in the Specified Courts and irrevocably and unconditionally waive and agree not to plead or claim in any Specified Court that any Related Proceeding brought in any Specified Court has been brought in an inconvenient forum.
- (c) Waiver of Jury Trial. The Company and the Initial Purchasers hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, any and all right to trial by jury in any legal proceeding arising out of or relating to any of the Transaction Documents to which it is a party or the transactions contemplated hereby.
- 16. <u>Miscellaneous</u>. (a) *Authority of the Representative*. Any action by the Initial Purchasers hereunder may be taken by the Representative on behalf of the Initial Purchasers, and any such action taken by the Representative shall be binding upon the Initial Purchasers.

- (b) *Notices*. All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if mailed or transmitted and confirmed by any standard form of telecommunication. Notices to the Initial Purchasers shall be given to the Representative c/o Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, One Bryant Park, New York, New York 10036, Facsimile: (212) 901-7897, Attention: HY Legal Department. Notices to the Company and the Guarantors shall be given to them at 6 Sylvan Way, Parsippany, NJ 07054 (fax: 973-496-5080); Attention: Treasurer.
- (c) *Entire Agreement*. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties to this Agreement and supersedes all prior written or oral and contemporaneous oral agreements, understandings and negotiations with respect to the subject matter hereof.
- (d) *Counterparts*. This Agreement may be signed in counterparts (which may include counterparts delivered by any standard form of telecommunication), each of which shall be an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page to this Agreement by telecopier, facsimile or other electronic transmission (i.e., a "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart thereof.
- (e) *Amendments or Waivers*. No amendment or waiver of any provision of this Agreement, nor any consent or approval to any departure therefrom, shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be in writing and signed by the parties hereto.
- (f) *Headings*. The headings herein are included for convenience of reference only and are not intended to be part of, or to affect the meaning or interpretation of, this Agreement.
- (g) Partial Unenforceability. The invalidity or unenforceability of any section, paragraph or provision of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other section, paragraph or provision hereof. If any section, paragraph or provision of this Agreement is for any reason determined to be invalid or unenforceable, there shall be deemed to be made such minor changes (and only such minor changes) as are necessary to make it valid and enforceable.

If the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding, please indicate your acceptance of this Agreement by signing in the space provided below.

Very truly yours,

AVIS BUDGET CAR RENTAL, LLC,

By: /s/ Alan Koines

Name: Alan Koines

Title: Authorized Signatory

AVIS BUDGET FINANCE, INC.

By: /s/ David B. Wyshner

Name: David B. Wyshner

Title: Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

AVIS BUDGET GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ David B. Wyshner

Name: David B. Wyshner

Title: Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

AVIS BUDGET HOLDINGS, LLC

By: /s/ David B. Wyshner

Name: David B. Wyshner

Title: Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

AB CAR RENTAL SERVICES, INC. ARACS LLC
AVIS ASIA AND PACIFIC, LLC
AVIS CAR RENTAL GROUP, LLC
AVIS CARIBBEAN, LIMITED
AVIS ENTERPRISES, INC.
AVIS GROUP HOLDINGS, LLC
AVIS INTERNATIONAL, LTD.
AVIS OPERATIONS, LLC
AVIS RENT A CAR SYSTEM, LLC

AVIS RENT A CAR SYSTEM, LLC PF CLAIMS MANAGEMENT, LTD. PR HOLDCO, INC. WIZARD CO., INC.

By: /s/ Alan Koines

Name: Alan Koines

Title: Authorized Signatory

BGI LEASING, INC.
BUDGET RENT A CAR SYSTEM, INC.
BUDGET RENT A CAR LICENSOR, LLC
BUDGET TRUCK RENTAL LLC
RUNABOUT, LLC
WIZARD SERVICE, INC.
ZIPCAR, INC.

By: /s/ David B. Wyshner

Name: David B. Wyshner

Title: Senior Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

The foregoing Agreement is hereby confirmed and accepted by the Initial Purchasers as of the date first written above.

MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED, For itself and on behalf of the several Initial Purchasers listed in Schedule 1 hereto.

By: /s/ Mark Kushemba

Name: Mark Kushemba Title: Managing Director