

SUPERIOR COURT
(Commercial Division)

CANADA
PROVINCE OF QUÉBEC
DISTRICT OF MONTRÉAL

No: 500-11-055238-188

DATE: November 8, 2018

PRESIDED BY: THE HONOURABLE JUSTICE SILVANA CONTE J.S.C.

IN THE MATTER OF THE RECEIVERSHIP OF:

SPG INTERNATIONAL LTEE

Debtor

-and-

BANK OF MONTREAL

Petitioner

-and-

DELOITTE RESTRUCTURING INC.
(Benoît Clouatre, CPA, CA, CIRP, LIT, designated person)

Receiver

-and-

INVESTISSEMENT QUÉBEC
and
LAURENTIAN BANK OF CANADA
Mis en cause

-and-

NATHALIE BRAULT SYNDIC INC.

Trustee to the Notice of Intention / Mis en cause

-and-

BUREAU DE LA PUBLICITÉ DES DROITS DE DRUMMOND
Mis en cause

ORDER APPOINTING A RECEIVER
(Section 243 of the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*)

[1] **CONSIDERING** Petitioner's Motion to Appoint a Receiver (the "Motion") pursuant to Article 243 of the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act (the "BIA"), the affidavit and the exhibits in support thereof;

[2] **CONSIDERING** the submissions of the attorneys for Petitioner, Investissement Québec ("IQ") and Laurentian Bank of Canada ("BLC");

[3] **CONSIDERING** that Petitioner sent the Debtor a notice pursuant to the terms of Section 244 of the BIA;

[4] **CONSIDERING** that it is appropriate to appoint a receiver to the Property (such as defined herein) of the Debtor;

[5] **CONSIDERING** that, despite having acted as Petitioner's financial advisor in this matter, Deloitte Restructuring Inc. is nonetheless well-suited to act as Receiver to the assets of the Debtor, given its knowledge of the Debtor's affairs and the consent of both IQ and BLC to its appointment in such capacity;

FOR THESE REASONS, THE COURT:

[6] **GRANTS** the Petitioner's Motion for the appointment of a receiver;

APPOINTMENT

[7] **APPOINTS** Deloitte Restructuring Inc. (Benoît Clouatre, CPA, CA, CIRP, LIT, designated person), trustee, to act as receiver (the "Receiver") to the property of SPG International Ltd. (the "Debtor") until either:

- (a) the sale of all the Property (as hereinafter defined); or
- (b) the issuance of any order by the Court terminating the mandate of the Receiver.

[8] **DECLARES** that the order (the "Order") and its effects shall survive the filing by the Debtor of a proposal pursuant to the terms of the BIA, the issuance of an initial order

in regard of the Debtor pursuant to the terms of the Companies Creditors Arrangements Act (the "CCAA") or the bankruptcy of the Debtor, unless the Court orders otherwise;

RECEIVER'S POWERS

[9] **AUTHORIZES** the Receiver to exercise the following powers:

Powers related to the possession of the Property

[10] **AUTHORIZES** the Receiver to take possession of all of the Debtor's movable and immovable property, corporeal and incorporeal, wherever located (the "Property") and regardless of whomever may be in possession of same, including without limitation the following immovable property:

An immovable known and designated as comprising lots THREE MILION FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY THREE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED AND NINTETY ONE (3 533 291) and THREE MILION FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY THREE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED AND NINTETY TWO (3 533 292) of the Land Register of Quebec, Registration Division of Drummond;

And more commonly known as 4225 and 4275 Saint-Joseph Boulevard, Drummondville, Quebec;

and to exercise the following powers listed hereinafter in the place and stead of the Debtor in respect of the Property.

Powers related to the preservation of the Property

- (a) all the powers necessary for the preservation and for the protection of the Property;
- (b) all the powers necessary to control the Property, the place of business and the premises occupied by the Debtor;
- (c) all the powers necessary to grant the Receiver access, at all times, to the place of business and to the premises of the Debtor, to the Property, and to change the locks granting access to such premises and places of business of the Debtor;
- (d) all the powers necessary to grant the Receiver access to all the accounting records of the Debtor, as well as to any document, contract, register of any nature or kind whatsoever, wherever they may be situated and regardless of the medium on which they may be recorded (the "Records"), as well as the powers necessary to make copies of all the Records necessary or useful to the execution of the Receiver's functions;
- (e) all the powers necessary to undertake an analysis of the Debtor's Records.

Powers related to the Debtor's operations

- (a) carry on, all or any part of the Debtor's operations, and if considered necessary, suspend Debtor's operations;
- (b) all the powers necessary to control the Debtor's receipts and disbursements;
- (c) all the powers necessary to collect all the accounts receivable and all the other claims of the Debtor and to transact in respect of same, as well as to sign any document for this purpose;
- (d) all the powers necessary to open any required bank account, pursuant to the terms and conditions the Receiver may determine, with any chartered Canadian bank, or any other financial institution, the whole, in order to cash any item payable to the Debtor, and to issue any payment which, in the opinion of the Receiver, is necessary or useful to the Debtor's operations.

Powers related to the disposition or sale of the Property

- (a) all the powers necessary to carry out the sale or the disposition of the Property in the ordinary course of business of the Debtor, to transact in that regard, and to sign any document or any contract required or useful for these purposes or meant to give effect to any such sale or disposition;
- (b) all the powers necessary to interest or solicit one or several potential buyers of all or any part of the Property, including, without limitation, the right to carry out a public call for tenders or private solicitations in order to dispose of the Property.

[11] **ORDERS** the Receiver to petition the Court for authorization to sell all or any part of the Debtor's Property outside the ordinary course of business, upon finding a purchaser and pursuant to conditions it deems reasonable in the circumstances, provided however that no such authorization will be required where the property to be sold has net orderly liquidation value of less than \$50,000 for a single transaction or \$150,000 in the aggregate;

[12] **GRANTS** the Receiver all the powers necessary to initiate, prosecute and continue the prosecution of any and all proceedings it considers appropriate, including for the purpose of Sections 34 and 249 of the BIA, within the performance of its duties regarding the Property;

[13] **AUTHORIZES** the Receiver to retain the services of any lawyer, or of any person or business in order to appropriately fulfil its functions;

[14] **DECLARES** that the Receiver may provide creditors and other relevant stakeholders with information in response to requests made by them in writing. A copy of such requests must be sent to the Petitioner's attorney. Where the Receiver has

been advised by the Petitioner that information is confidential, proprietary or competitive, the Receiver shall not provide such information to any person without the consent of the Petitioner unless otherwise directed by this Court;

DEBTOR'S DUTIES

[15] **ORDERS** the Debtor, its directors, officers, employees, agents and representatives to forthwith provide the Receiver with access to the Property, to the places of business and to the premises of the Debtor, as well as to the Records;

[16] **ORDERS** the Debtor, its directors, officers, employees, agents and representatives to cooperate with the Receiver in the exercise of the powers that are granted pursuant to the terms of the Order;

[17] **ORDERS** the Debtor not to dispose, alienate, encumber or otherwise transact in any manner whatsoever, with regard to the Property, other than in the ordinary course of business or with the authorization of the Receiver, subject to the limitation as set out above in paragraph 4 of this Order;

NON-INTERFERENCE WITH THE RECEIVER, THE DEBTOR AND THE PROPERTY

[18] **ORDERS** that subject to any other order rendered by the Court, which may only be rendered after a prior notice has been duly sent to the Receiver and to the Petitioner, no proceeding, seizure, revendication, or any other enforcement process shall be commenced or enforced against the Property;

[19] **ORDERS** that no person shall interrupt, modify, terminate or fail to execute its obligations pursuant to any contract, agreement, license or permit entered into with the Debtor without the prior consent of the Receiver or without the authorization of the Court;

CONTINUATION OF SERVICES

[20] **ORDERS** that any person having an oral or written agreement with the Debtor, as well as any supplier of goods or services to the Debtor is hereby restrained until further order of this Court from discontinuing, altering, interfering with or terminating the supply of such goods or services, as may be required by the Receiver and that the Receiver shall be authorized to continue use of the Debtor's current premises, telephone numbers, facsimile numbers, internet addresses, domain names and other services, provided in each case that the normal prices or charges for all such goods or services received after the date of this Order are paid by the Receiver, in accordance with the normal payment practices of the Debtor or such other practices as may be agreed upon by the supplier or service provider and the Receiver, or as may be ordered by this Court;

EMPLOYEES

[21] **AUTHORIZES** the Receiver to continue to engage the services of the Debtor's employees until the Receiver, acting for and on behalf of the Debtor, terminates the employment of such employees. The Receiver shall not be liable for any employee related liabilities, including any successor-employer liabilities as provided for in sections 14.06(1.2) of the BIA other than such amounts as the Receiver may specifically agree in writing to pay, or in respect of its obligations under sections 81.4(5) and 81.6(3) of the BIA or under the Wage Earner Protection Program Act;

PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

[23] **DECLARES** that pursuant to clause 7(3)(c) of the Canada Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act, the Receiver shall disclose personal information on identifiable individuals, which information it has in its possession or under its responsibility, to interested parties or to investors, financiers, prospective purchasers or potential strategic partners, as well as to their advisors, but only to the extent desirable or required, and only upon condition that the persons to whom such personal information is disclosed shall undertake to maintain and protect the privacy of such information and limit the use of such information pursuant to confidentiality agreements entered into with the Receiver;

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

[24] **DECLARES** that subject to the powers granted to the Receiver pursuant to the terms of paragraph 3 of this Order, nothing herein contained shall require the Receiver to occupy or to take control, or to otherwise manage all or any part of the Property. The Receiver shall not, as a result of this Order, be deemed to be in possession of any of the Property within the meaning of environmental legislation, the whole pursuant to the terms of the BIA;

[25] **DECLARES** that the powers of the Receiver shall be exercised pursuant to its sole discretion and judgment;

[26] **DECLARES** that section 215 of the BIA applies mutatis mutandis, and hence that no action lies against the Receiver by reason of its appointment or the execution of the powers granted by the Court, except by leave of the Court. The entities related to the Receiver or belonging to the same group as the Receiver shall benefit from the protection arising under the present paragraph;

FEES

[27] **DECLARES** that as security for the professional fees and disbursements incurred in relation to these proceedings, both before and after the date of the Order, a charge and security over the Property is hereby constituted in favour of the Receiver, of

the Receiver's attorneys and other advisors of the Receiver, to the extent of the aggregate amount of \$200,000.00 (the "Administration Charge");

[28] **DECLARES** that the Administration Charge shall rank in priority to any and all other hypothecs, mortgages, liens, security interests, priorities, charges, encumbrances or security of whatever nature or kind (collectively, the "Encumbrances") affecting the Property charged by such Encumbrances;

[29] **DECLARES** that the Administration Charge is effective and shall charge, as of 12:01 a.m. (Montreal time) the day of this Order (the "Effective Time"), all the Debtor's Property present and future;

[30] **DECLARES** that notwithstanding: (i) these proceedings and any declaration of insolvency made herein, (ii) any petition for a receiver order filed pursuant to the BIA in respect of the Petitioner and any receiving order granting such petition or any assignment in bankruptcy made or deemed to be made in respect of the Petitioner and (iii) the provisions of any federal or provincial statute, the payments or disposition of Property made by the Receiver pursuant to the Order and the granting of the Administration Charges do not and will not constitute settlements, fraudulent preferences, fraudulent conveyances or other challengeable or reviewable transactions or conduct meriting a recourse for abuse under an applicable law, and shall be valid and enforceable as against any person, including any trustee in bankruptcy, and any receiver to the Property of the Debtor;

[31] **AUTHORIZES** the Receiver to collect the payment of its fees and disbursements and those of its attorneys, with the consent of the Petitioner, the whole subject to taxation in conformity with the BIA, if applicable;

GENERAL

[32] **DECLARES** that the Order, the Motion and the affidavit do not, in and of themselves, constitute a default or failure to comply by the Debtor under any statute, regulation, license, permit, contract, permission, covenant, agreement, undertaking or any other written document or requirement;

[33] **DECLARES** that the Receiver is at liberty to serve any notice, circular or any other document in connection with these proceedings by forwarding copies by prepaid ordinary mail, courier, personal delivery or electronic transmission to persons or other appropriate parties at their respective given address as last shown in the Records; the documents served in this manner shall be deemed to be received on the date of delivery if by personal delivery or electronic transmission, on the following business day if delivered by courier, or three (3) business days after mailing if delivered by ordinary mail;

[34] **DECLARES** that the Receiver may serve any court materials in these proceedings on all represented parties, by emailing a PDF or other electronic copy of

such materials to counsels' email addresses, provided that the Receiver shall deliver "hard copies" of such materials upon request to any party as soon as practicable thereafter;

[35] **DECLARES** that any party interested in these proceedings may serve any court material in these proceedings by emailing a PDF or other electronic copy of such materials to counsels' email addresses, provided that such party shall deliver a "hard copy" on paper of such PDF or electronic materials to the Debtor's and the Receiver's counsel and to any other party who may request such delivery;

[36] **DECLARES** that, unless otherwise provided herein, ordered by this Court, or provided by the BIA, no document, order or other material need be served on any person in respect of these proceedings, unless such person has served a notice of appearance on the solicitors for the Debtor and the Receiver and has filed such notice with the Court;

[37] **DECLARES** that any interested Person may apply to this Court to vary or rescind the Order or seek other relief upon five (5) days notice to the Receiver, the Petitioner and any other party likely to be affected by the order sought or upon such other notice, if any, as this Court may order;

[38] **DECLARES** that the present Order and all other orders in these proceedings shall have full force and effect in all provinces and territories in Canada;

[39] **DECLARES** that the Receiver shall be authorized to apply as it may consider necessary or desirable, with or without notice, to any other court or administrative body, whether in Canada, the United States of America or elsewhere, for orders which aid and complement the Order and any subsequent orders of this Court and, without limitation to the foregoing, an order under Chapter 15 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, for which the Receiver shall be the foreign representative of the Debtor. All courts and administrative bodies of all such jurisdictions are hereby respectively requested to make such orders and to provide such assistance to the Receiver as may be deemed necessary or appropriate for that purpose;

[40] **REQUESTS** the aid and recognition of any Court or administrative body in any Province of Canada and any Canadian federal court or administrative body and any federal or state court or administrative body in the United States of America and any court or administrative body elsewhere, to act in aid of and to be complementary to this Court in carrying out the terms of the Order;

[41] **ORDERS** the provisional execution of the present Order notwithstanding any appeal and without the requirement to provide any security or provision for costs whatsoever;

[42] **THE WHOLE** without costs.

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