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## ONTARIO SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE [COMMERCIAL LIST]

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

AND IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE OR ARRANGEMENT OF SIMEX INC., IWERKS ENTERTAINMENT, INC., SIMEX-IWERKS MYRTLE BEACH, LLC

(the "Applicants")

### MOTION RECORD OF THE APPLICANTS (CCAA Comeback Motion)

(Returnable January 29, 2024 at 11:00am via Judicial Videoconference)

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### NOTICE OF MOTION (CCAA Comeback Motion)

(returnable January 29, 2024 @ 11:00m via Judicial Videoconference)

#### SIMEX INC., IWERKS ENTERTAINMENT, INC., SIMEX-IWERKS MYRTLE

**BEACH, LLC** (the "Applicants") will make a motion to a judge presiding over the Ontario Superior Court of Justice (Commercial List) on Monday January 29, 2024 at 11:00 a.m., or as soon after that time as the motion can be heard, which motion shall be heard virtually by judicial videoconference to be set by the Court office. A direct link will be circulated by email to those members of the Service List with known email addresses prior to the hearing.

**PROPOSED METHOD OF HEARING:** The motion is to be heard orally.

#### THE MOTION IS FOR:

#### Background

1. an amended and restated initial order, substantially in the form attached hereto as <a href="Schedule "A" (the "ARIO") amending and restating the initial order granted by the Honourable Justice Conway in these proceedings on January 19, 2024 (the "Initial Order"), inter alia:</a>

- (a) abridging the time for service and filing of the notice of motion and the motion record or, in the alternative, dispensing with the same;
- (b) ordering that the initial 10-day stay period set out in paragraph 13 of the Initial Order be extended to and including May 3, 2024;
- (c) confirming:
  - (i) the Applicants' ability to borrow up to the maximum principal amount of USD \$600,000 under the DIP Term Sheet (as defined in the Initial Order);
  - (ii) that the Administration Charge (as defined in the Initial Order) shall extend to the maximum amount of USD \$500,000;
  - (iii) that the DIP Lender's Charge (as defined in the Initial Order) shall extend to the maximum amount of USD \$600,000; and
  - (iv) that the D&O Charge (as defined in the Initial Order) shall extend to the maximum amount of USD \$400,000; and
- (d) approving the sale and investment process appended as Schedule "A" to draft ARIO (the "SISP"); and
- 2. such further and other relief as counsel may advise and this Honourable Court deems just.

#### THE GROUNDS FOR THE MOTION ARE:

- (a) on January 19, 2024, the Applicants applied for and obtained the Initial Order;
- (b) the Initial Order, among other things:
  - (i) appointed Deloitte Restructuring Inc. as monitor (the "Monitor");
  - (ii) granted an initial ten (10) day stay period to and including January 29, 2019 (the "Initial Stay Period"), staying all proceedings and remedies taken or that might be taken in respect of, *inter alia*, the Applicants'

- assets, undertakings and properties of every nature and kind whatsoever, and wherever situate including all proceeds thereof (the "**Property**");
- (iii) authorized the Applicants to borrow up to the principal amount of USD \$600,000 under the DIP Term Sheet, but limited to USD \$200,000 during the Initial Stay Period;
- (iv) granted the Administrative Charge against the Property in favour of the Professionals Group in the amount of USD \$500,000, but limited to USD \$390,000 during the Initial Stay Period;
- (v) granted the DIP Lenders' Charge against the Property to secure the Applicants' obligations under the DIP Term Sheet in the amount of USD \$600,000, but limited to USD \$200,000 during Initial Stay Period;
- (vi) granted the D&O Charge against the Property in favour of their directors and officers in the amount of USD \$300,000, but limited to USD \$230,000 during the Initial Stay Period;
- (vii) authorizing the Applicants or the Monitor to act as foreign representative for the purpose of seeking recognition of these proceedings under Chapter 15 of the United States *Bankruptcy Code*;
- (c) on the application for the Initial Order, the Applicants also sought approval of a the SISP, which relief was put over to the within comeback motion;
- (d) since the Initial Order, the Applicants have acted in good faith and with due diligence to move its restructuring forward working with Monitor to address initial post-filing matters, the recognition proceedings in the United States, communications with key stakeholders, the anticipated approval and commencement of the SISP, and preparation for this comeback motion;

#### Extension of Stay Period

- (e) the Initial Stay Period expires on January 29, 2024. The Applicants are seeking an extension of the stay of proceedings to and included May 3, 2024 (the "Extended Stay Period"), which date is intended to provide sufficient time to allow the Applicants and the Monitor to fully implement the proposed SISP;
- (f) the requested extension is necessary and appropriate in the circumstances;
- (g) the Applicants, with access to full availability under the DIP Term Sheet, will have sufficient funding to continue operations through the end of the Extended Stay Period;

#### Confirmation of Maximum Availability under DIP Term Sheet

- (h) pursuant to the Initial Order, the DIP Term Sheet was approved for a maximum principal amount of USD \$600,000 but subject to limitations during the Initial Stay Period;
- (i) such limitations will cease to be effective after the Initial Stay Period;
- (j) the end of such limitations and access to the maximum availability borrowing under the DIP Term Sheet is necessary and appropriate in the circumstances;
- (k) the maximum available borrowings under the DIP Term Sheet are supported by the Monitor and the Applicants' senior secured creditor (who is also the DIP lender);

#### Confirmation of Maximum Amounts Secured by Court-Ordered Charges

- (l) pursuant to the Initial Order, this Honourable Court approved the following charges (each, as defined in the Initial Order; and, collectively, the "Charges"):
  - (i) a first-ranking Administration Charge for the maximum amount of USD \$500,000 but subject to limitations during the Initial Stay Period;

- (ii) a second-ranking DIP Lenders Charge for the maximum principal amount of USD \$600,000 but subject to limitations during the Initial Stay Period;
- (iii) a third-ranking D&O Charge for the maximum amount of USD \$300,000 but subject to limitations during the Initial Stay Period;
- (m) the limitations applicable to each of the Charges will cease to be effective after the Initial Stay Period;
- (n) the end of such limitations and maximum secured amounts under the Charges is necessary and appropriate in the circumstances;
- (o) the maximum secured amounts under the Charges are supported by the Monitor and the Applicants' senior secured creditor;

#### Approval of the SISP

- (p) as set out in the Application Record filed in the proceedings and the Motion Record filed herein, the SISP was developed by the Applicants, in consultation with the Monitor;
- (q) the SISP is fair, reasonable and appropriate in the circumstances, and designed with a view to maximize the potential returns to the creditors and stakeholders;
- (r) approval of the SISP is supported by the Monitor and the Applicants' senior secured creditor;

#### Other Grounds

- (s) no stakeholders of the Applicants are expected to suffer material prejudice as a result of the any of the relief sought herein;
- (t) the other grounds set out in the affidavits of Michael Needham dated January 17,2024, and January 24, 2024 (collectively, the "Needham Affidavits");

- (u) the other grounds set out in the report of the proposed monitor dated January 18,2024 (the "Pre-Filing Report") and the First Report of the Monitor, to be field with the Court (the "First Report");
- (v) the provisions of the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act.* R.S.C. 1985 c C-36, as amended, and the inherent and equitable jurisdiction of this Court;
- (w) Section 106 of the Courts of Justice Act, RSO 1990, c. C.43, as amended;
- (x) rules 1.04, 1.05, 2.03, 3.02, 16 and 37 of the *Rules of Civil Procedure*, R.R.O. 1990, Reg. 194, as amended; and
- (y) such further and other grounds as counsel may advise and this Honourable Court may permit.
- 3. **THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE** will be used at the hearing of the motion:
  - (a) The Needham Affidavits and the exhibits thereto;
  - (b) the Pre-Filing Report and the appendices thereto;
  - (c) the First Report and the appendices thereto; and
  - (d) such further and other material as counsel may advise and this Honourable Court may permit.

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### **TAB A**

# SCHEDULE "A" AMENDED AND RESTATED INITIAL ORDER

[see attached]

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)	MONDAY, THE 29TH
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#### AMENDED AND RESTATED INITIAL ORDER

THIS MOTION, made by the Applicants, pursuant to the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the "CCAA") for an order amending and restating the Initial Order in these proceedings (the "Initial Order") originally issued on January 19, 2024 (the "Initial Filing Date") was heard this day by judicial videoconference via Zoom.

ON READING the affidavits of Michael Needham sworn January 17, 2024 and January 24, 2024 and the Exhibits thereto, the consent of Deloitte Restructuring Inc. to act as Monitor (in such capacity, the "Monitor"), the pre-filing report of Deloitte Restructuring Inc. in its capacity as the proposed Monitor dated January 18, 2024 and the first report of the Monitor dated January \*\*, 2024, and on hearing the submissions of counsel for the Applicants, counsel for the Monitor, counsel for Royal Bank of Canada, counsel for BDC Capital Inc. and the other parties listed on the participant information form and no one appearing for any other party although duly served as appears from the affidavit of service of Amanda Adamo sworn January \*\*>, 2024,

#### AMDENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT

1. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Initial Order shall be amended and restated with this Amended and Restated Order.

#### **SERVICE**

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

#### APPLICATION

3. THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES that the Applicants are each a company to which the CCAA applies.

#### PLAN OF ARRANGEMENT

4. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants shall have the authority to file and may, subject to further order of this Court, file with this Court a plan of compromise or arrangement (hereinafter referred to as the "Plan").

#### POSSESSION OF PROPERTY AND OPERATIONS

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

- 6. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants shall be entitled but not required to pay the following expenses whether incurred prior to or after the Initial Filing Date:
- (a) all outstanding and future wages, salaries, employee and pension benefits, vacation pay and expenses payable on or after the Initial Filing Date, in each case incurred in the ordinary course of business and consistent with existing compensation policies and arrangements; and
- (b) the fees and disbursements of any Assistants retained or employed by the Applicants in respect of these proceedings, at their standard rates and charges.
- 7. THIS COURT ORDERS that, except as otherwise provided to the contrary herein, the Applicants shall be entitled but not required to pay all reasonable expenses incurred by the Applicants in carrying on the Business in the ordinary course after the Initial Filing Date, and in carrying out the provisions of this Order, which expenses shall include, without limitation:
- (a) all expenses and capital expenditures reasonably necessary for the preservation of the Property or the Business including, without limitation, payments on account of insurance (including directors and officers insurance), maintenance and security services; and
- (b) payment for goods or services actually supplied to the Applicants following the Initial Filing Date.
- 8. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants shall remit, in accordance with legal requirements, or pay:
- (a) any statutory deemed trust amounts in favour of the Crown in right of Canada or of any Province thereof or any other taxation authority which are required to be deducted from employees' wages, including, without limitation, amounts in respect of (i) employment insurance, (ii) Canada Pension Plan, (iii) Quebec Pension Plan, and (iv) income taxes;
- (b) all goods and services or other applicable sales taxes (collectively, "Sales Taxes") required to be remitted by the Applicants in connection with the sale of goods and services by the Applicants, but only where such Sales Taxes are accrued or collected after the Initial Filing Date, or where such Sales Taxes were accrued or collected prior to the

Initial Filing Date but not required to be remitted until on or after the Initial Filing Date, and

- (c) any amount payable to the Crown in right of Canada or of any Province thereof or any political subdivision thereof or any other taxation authority in respect of municipal realty, municipal business or other taxes, assessments or levies of any nature or kind which are entitled at law to be paid in priority to claims of secured creditors and which are attributable to or in respect of the carrying on of the Business by the Applicants.
- 9. THIS COURT ORDERS that until a real property lease is disclaimed in accordance with the CCAA, the Applicants shall pay all amounts constituting rent or payable as rent under real property leases (including, for greater certainty, common area maintenance charges, utilities and realty taxes and any other amounts payable to the landlord under the lease) but for greater certainty excluding accelerated rent or penalties, fees or other charges arising as a result of the insolvency of the Applicants or the making of this Order or as otherwise may be negotiated between the Applicant and the landlord from time to time ("Rent"), for the period commencing from and including the Initial Filing Date, twice-monthly in equal payments on the first and fifteenth day of each month, in advance (but not in arrears). On the date of the first of such payments, any Rent relating to the period commencing from and including the Initial Filing Date shall also be paid.
- 10. THIS COURT ORDERS that, except as specifically permitted herein, the Applicants are hereby directed, until further Order of this Court: (a) to make no payments of principal, interest thereon or otherwise on account of amounts owing by an Applicant to any of its creditors as of the Initial Filing Date; (b) to grant no security interests, trust, liens, charges or encumbrances upon or in respect of any of its Property; and (c) to not grant credit or incur liabilities except in the ordinary course of the Business.

#### RESTRUCTURING

11. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants shall, subject to such requirements as are imposed by the CCAA and such covenants as may be contained in the Definitive Documents (as hereinafter defined), have the right to:

- (a) permanently or temporarily cease, downsize or shut down any of its business or operations;
- (b) terminate the employment of such of their employees or temporarily lay off such of its employees as they deems appropriate; and
- (c) pursue all avenues of refinancing of its Business or Property, in whole or part, subject to prior approval of this Court being obtained before any material refinancing,

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

- 12. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants shall provide each of the relevant landlords with notice of the Applicants' intention to remove any fixtures from any leased premises at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the intended removal. The relevant landlord shall be entitled to have a representative present in the leased premises to observe such removal and, if the landlord disputes the Applicants' entitlement to remove any such fixture under the provisions of the lease, such fixture shall remain on the premises and shall be dealt with as agreed between any applicable secured creditors, such landlord and the Applicants, or by further Order of this Court upon application by the Applicants on at least two (2) days notice to such landlord and any such secured creditors. If the Applicants disclaim the lease governing such leased premises in accordance with Section 32 of the CCAA, the Applicants shall not be required to pay Rent under such lease pending resolution of any such dispute (other than Rent payable for the notice period provided for in Section 32(5) of the CCAA), and the disclaimer of the lease shall be without prejudice to the Applicants' claim to the fixtures in dispute.
- 13. THIS COURT ORDERS that if a notice of disclaimer is delivered pursuant to Section 32 of the CCAA, then (a) during the notice period prior to the effective time of the disclaimer, the landlord may show the affected leased premises to prospective tenants during normal business hours, on giving the Applicants and the Monitor 24 hours' prior written notice, and (b) at the effective time of the disclaimer, the relevant landlord shall be entitled to take possession of any such leased premises without waiver of or prejudice to any claims or rights such landlord may have against the Applicants in respect of such lease or leased premises, provided that nothing

herein shall relieve such landlord of its obligation to mitigate any damages claimed in connection therewith.

#### NO PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE APPLICANTS OR THE PROPERTY

14. THIS COURT ORDERS that until and including May 3, 2024, or such later date as this Court may order (the "Stay Period"), no proceeding or enforcement process in any court or tribunal (each, a "Proceeding") shall be commenced or continued against or in respect of the Applicants or the Monitor, or affecting the Business or the Property, except with the written consent of the Applicants and the Monitor, or with leave of this Court, and any and all Proceedings currently under way against or in respect of the Applicants or affecting the Business or the Property are hereby stayed and suspended pending further Order of this Court.

#### NO EXERCISE OF RIGHTS OR REMEDIES

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

#### NO INTERFERENCE WITH RIGHTS

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

#### **CONTINUATION OF SERVICES**

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

#### NON-DEROGATION OF RIGHTS

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

#### PROCEEDINGS AGAINST DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

19. THIS COURT ORDERS that during the Stay Period, and except as permitted by subsection 11.03(2) of the CCAA, no Proceeding may be commenced or continued against any of the former, current or future directors or officers of the Applicants with respect to any claim against the directors or officers that arose before the Initial Filing Date and that relates to any obligations of the Applicants whereby the directors or officers are alleged under any law to be liable in their capacity as directors or officers for the payment or performance of such

obligations, until a compromise or arrangement in respect of the Applicants, if one is filed, is sanctioned by this Court or is refused by the creditors of the Applicants or this Court.

#### DIRECTORS' AND OFFICERS' INDEMNIFICATION AND CHARGE

- 20. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants shall indemnify their directors and officers against obligations and liabilities that they may incur as directors or officers of the Applicants after the commencement of the within proceedings, except to the extent that, with respect to any officer or director, the obligation or liability was incurred as a result of the director's or officer's gross negligence or wilful misconduct (the "D&O Indemnity").
- 21. THIS COURT ORDERS that the directors and officers of the Applicants shall be entitled to the benefit of and are hereby granted a charge (the "Directors' Charge") on the Property, which charge shall not exceed an aggregate amount of USD \$300,000, as security for the indemnity provided in paragraph 20 of this Order. The Directors' Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 39 and 41 herein.
- 22. THIS COURT ORDERS that, notwithstanding any language in any applicable insurance policy to the contrary, (a) no insurer shall be entitled to be subrogated to or claim the benefit of the Directors' Charge, and (b) the Applicants' directors and officers shall only be entitled to the benefit of the Directors' Charge to the extent that they do not have coverage under any directors' and officers' insurance policy, or to the extent that such coverage is insufficient to pay amounts indemnified in accordance with paragraph 20 of this Order.

#### APPOINTMENT OF MONITOR

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

- 24. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor, in addition to its prescribed rights and obligations under the CCAA, is hereby directed and empowered to:
- (a) monitor the Applicants' receipts and disbursements;
- (b) report to this Court at such times and intervals as the Monitor may deem appropriate with respect to matters relating to the Property, the Business, and such other matters as may be relevant to the proceedings herein;
- (c) assist the Applicants, to the extent required by the Applicants, in their dissemination, to the DIP Lender and its counsel of financial and other information as agreed to between the Applicants and the DIP Lender which may be used in these proceedings including reporting on a basis to be agreed with the DIP Lender;
- (d) advise the Applicants in their preparation of the Applicants' cash flow statements and reporting required by the DIP Lender, which information shall be reviewed with the Monitor and delivered to the DIP Lender and its counsel on a periodic basis, but not less than weekly, or as otherwise agreed to by the DIP Lender;
- (e) advise the Applicants in their development of the Plan and any amendments to the Plan;
- (f) assist the Applicants, to the extent required by the Applicants, with the holding and administering of creditors' or shareholders' meetings for voting on the Plan;
- (g) have full and complete access to the Property, including the premises, books, records, data, including data in electronic form, and other financial documents of the Applicants, to the extent that is necessary to adequately assess the Applicants' business and financial affairs or to perform its duties arising under this Order;
- (h) be at liberty to engage independent legal counsel or such other persons as the Monitor deems necessary or advisable respecting the exercise of its powers and performance of its obligations under this Order; and
- (i) perform such other duties as are required by this Order or by this Court from time to time.

- 25. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor shall not take possession of the Property and shall take no part whatsoever in the management or supervision of the management of the Business and shall not, by fulfilling its obligations hereunder, be deemed to have taken or maintained possession or control of the Business or Property, or any part thereof.
- 26. THIS COURT ORDERS that nothing herein contained shall require the Monitor to occupy or to take control, care, charge, possession or management (separately and/or collectively, "Possession") of any of the Property that might be environmentally contaminated, might be a pollutant or a contaminant, or might cause or contribute to a spill, discharge, release or deposit of a substance contrary to any federal, provincial or other law respecting the protection, conservation, enhancement, remediation or rehabilitation of the environment or relating to the disposal of waste or other contamination including, without limitation, the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, the Ontario Environmental Protection Act, the Ontario Water Resources Act, or the Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act and regulations thereunder (the "Environmental Legislation"), provided however that nothing herein shall exempt the Monitor from any duty to report or make disclosure imposed by applicable Environmental Legislation. The Monitor shall not, as a result of this Order or anything done in pursuance of the Monitor's duties and powers under this Order, be deemed to be in Possession of any of the Property within the meaning of any Environmental Legislation, unless it is actually in possession.
- 27. THIS COURT ORDERS that that the Monitor shall provide any creditor of the Applicants and the DIP Lender with information provided by the Applicants in response to reasonable requests for information made in writing by such creditor addressed to the Monitor. The Monitor shall not have any responsibility or liability with respect to the information disseminated by it pursuant to this paragraph. In the case of information that the Monitor has been advised by the Applicants is confidential, the Monitor shall not provide such information to creditors unless otherwise directed by this Court or on such terms as the Monitor and the Applicants may agree.
- 28. THIS COURT ORDERS that, in addition to the rights and protections afforded the Monitor under the CCAA or as an officer of this Court, the Monitor shall incur no liability or obligation as a result of its appointment or the carrying out of the provisions of this Order, save

and except for any gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part. Nothing in this Order shall derogate from the protections afforded the Monitor by the CCAA or any applicable legislation.

- 29. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor, counsel to the Monitor and counsel to the Applicants shall be paid their reasonable fees and disbursements, in each case at their standard rates and charges, by the Applicants as part of the costs of these proceedings. The Applicants are hereby authorized and directed to pay the accounts of the Monitor, counsel for the Monitor and counsel for the Applicants on a bi-weekly basis.
- 30. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor and its legal counsel shall pass their accounts from time to time, and for this purpose the accounts of the Monitor and its legal counsel are hereby referred to a judge of the Commercial List of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice.
- 31. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor, counsel to the Monitor, US counsel to the Monitor, and the Applicants' counsel shall be entitled to the benefit of and are hereby granted a charge (the "Administration Charge") on the Property, which charge shall not exceed an aggregate amount of USD \$500,000, as security for their professional fees and disbursements incurred at the standard rates and charges of the Monitor and such counsel, both before and after the making of this Order in respect of these proceedings. The Administration Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 38 and 40 hereof.

#### **DIP FINANCING**

- 32. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicant is hereby authorized and empowered to obtain and borrow under a credit facility from Royal Bank of Canada (the "DIP Lender") in order to finance the Applicants' working capital requirements and other general corporate purposes and capital expenditures, provided that borrowings under such credit facility shall not exceed the principal amount of USD \$600,000 unless permitted by further Order of this Court.
- 33. THIS COURT ORDERS THAT such credit facility shall be on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the term sheet between the Applicants and the DIP Lender (the "Commitment Letter"), filed.
- 34. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants are hereby authorized and empowered to execute and deliver such credit agreements, mortgages, charges, hypothecs and security

documents, guarantees and other definitive documents (collectively, the "Definitive Documents"), as are contemplated by the Commitment Letter or as may be reasonably required by the DIP Lender pursuant to the terms thereof, and the Applicants are hereby authorized and directed to pay and perform all of its indebtedness, interest, fees, liabilities and obligations to the DIP Lender under and pursuant to the Commitment Letter and the Definitive Documents as and when the same become due and are to be performed, notwithstanding any other provision of this Order.

- 35. THIS COURT ORDERS that the DIP Lender shall be entitled to the benefit of and is hereby granted a charge (the "DIP Lender's Charge") on the Property, which DIP Lender's Charge shall not secure an obligation that exists before this Order is made. The DIP Lender's Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 38 and 40 hereof.
- 36. THIS COURT ORDERS that, notwithstanding any other provision of this Order:
- (a) the DIP Lender may take such steps from time to time as it may deem necessary or appropriate to file, register, record or perfect the DIP Lender's Charge or any of the Definitive Documents;
- (b) upon the occurrence of an event of default under the Definitive Documents or the DIP Lender's Charge, the DIP Lender, upon two (2) days notice to the Applicant and the Monitor, may exercise any and all of its rights and remedies against the Applicants or the Property under or pursuant to the Commitment Letter, Definitive Documents and the DIP Lender's Charge, including without limitation, to cease making advances to the Applicants and set off and/or consolidate any amounts owing by the DIP Lender to the Applicants against the obligations of the Applicant to the DIP Lender under the Commitment Letter, the Definitive Documents or the DIP Lender's Charge, to make demand, accelerate payment and give other notices, or to apply to this Court for the appointment of a receiver, receiver and manager or interim receiver, or for a bankruptcy order against the Applicants and for the appointment of a trustee in bankruptcy of any of the Applicants; and

- (c) the foregoing rights and remedies of the DIP Lender shall be enforceable against any trustee in bankruptcy, interim receiver, receiver or receiver and manager of the Applicants or the Property.
- 37. THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES that the DIP Lender shall be treated as unaffected in any plan of arrangement or compromise filed by the Applicant under the CCAA, or any proposal filed by the Applicants under the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* of Canada (the "BIA"), with respect to any advances made under the Definitive Documents.

#### VALIDITY AND PRIORITY OF CHARGES CREATED BY THIS ORDER

38. THIS COURT ORDERS that the priorities of the Directors' Charge, the Administration Charge and the DIP Lender's Charge, as among them, shall be as follows:

First – Administration Charge (to the maximum amount of USD \$500,000);

Second – DIP Lender's Charge (to a maximum principal amount of USD \$600,000; and

Third – Directors' Charge (to the maximum amount of USD \$300,000).

- 39. THIS COURT ORDERS that the filing, registration or perfection of the Directors' Charge, the Administration Charge or the DIP Lender's Charge (collectively, the "Charges") shall not be required, and that the Charges shall be valid and enforceable for all purposes, including as against any right, title or interest filed, registered, recorded or perfected subsequent to the Charges coming into existence, notwithstanding any such failure to file, register, record or perfect.
- 40. THIS COURT ORDERS that each of the Charges shall constitute a charge on the Property and such Charges shall rank in priority to all other security interests, trusts, liens, charges and encumbrances, claims of secured creditors, statutory or otherwise (collectively, "Encumbrances") in favour of any Person, notwithstanding the order of perfection or attachment.
- 41. THIS COURT ORDERS that except as otherwise expressly provided for herein, or as may be approved by this Court, the Applicants shall not grant any Encumbrances over any Property that rank in priority to, or *pari passu* with, any of the Directors' Charge, the

Administration Charge or the DIP Lender's Charge, unless the Applicants also obtain prior written consent of the Monitor, the DIP Lender and the beneficiaries of the Directors' Charge and the Administration Charge, or further Order of this Court.

- 42. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Charges shall not be rendered invalid or unenforceable and the rights and remedies of the chargees entitled to the benefit of the Charges (collectively, the "Chargees") and/or the DIP Lender thereunder shall not otherwise be limited or impaired in any way by (a) the pendency of these proceedings and the declarations of insolvency made herein; (b) any application(s) for bankruptcy order(s) issued pursuant to the BIA, or any bankruptcy order made pursuant to such applications; (c) the filing of any assignments for the general benefit of creditors made pursuant to the BIA; (d) the provisions of any federal or provincial statutes; or (e) any negative covenants, prohibitions or other similar provisions with respect to borrowings, incurring debt or the creation of Encumbrances, contained in any existing loan documents, lease, sublease, offer to lease or other agreement (collectively, an "Agreement") which binds the Applicants, and notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in any Agreement:
- (a) neither the creation of the Charges nor the execution, delivery, perfection, registration or performance of the Commitment Letter or the Definitive Documents shall create or be deemed to constitute a breach by the Applicants of any Agreement to which it is a party;
- (b) none of the Chargees shall have any liability to any Person whatsoever as a result of any breach of any Agreement caused by or resulting from the Applicants entering into the Commitment Letter, the creation of the Charges, or the execution, delivery or performance of the Definitive Documents; and
- (c) the payments made by the Applicants pursuant to this Order, the Commitment Letter or the Definitive Documents, and the granting of the Charges, do not and will not constitute preferences, fraudulent conveyances, transfers at undervalue, oppressive conduct, or other challengeable or voidable transactions under any applicable law.
- 43. THIS COURT ORDERS that any Charge created by this Order over leases of real property in Canada shall only be a Charge in the Applicant's interest in such real property leases.

#### SALE AND INVESTMENT SOLICITATION PROCESS

- 44. THIS COURT ORDERS that the sale and investment solicitation process appended hereto as **Schedule "A"** (the "**SISP**") (subject to any amendments thereto that may be made in accordance with the terms thereof and with this Order) be and is hereby approved and the Applicants and the Monitor are hereby authorized and directed to carry out the SISP in accordance with its terms and the terms of this Order.
- 45. THIS COURT ORDERS that Applicants and the Monitor are hereby further authorized and directed to take such steps as each considers necessary or desirable in carrying our each of the respective obligations under the SISP, subject to the prior approval of this Court being obtained before the completion of any transition(s) under the SISP.
- 46. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants and the Monitor and their respective affiliates, partners, directors, officers, employees, advisors, agents and representatives shall have no liability with respect to any and all losses, claims, damages or liabilities of any nature or kind to any person in connection with or as a result of performing their duties under the SISP, except to the extent of such losses, claims, damages or liabilities arising or resulting form the gross negligence of wilful misconduct of the Applicants or the Monitor, as applicable, as determined by the Court.
- 47. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants and Monitor may apply to this Cout for advice and directions with respect to the SISP at any time.

#### **PIPEDA**

48. THIS COURT ORDERS that, pursuant to clause 7(3)(c) of the Canada *Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act*, the Applicants and the Monitor may disclose personal information of identifiable individuals to prospective purchasers or bidders for the Property and to their advisors, but only to the extent desirable or required to carry out the SISP and to attempt to complete a transaction or transactions pursuant to the SISP (each, a "Transaction"). Each prospective purchaser, bidder or investor to whom such personal information is disclosed shall maintain and protect the privacy of such information and limit the use of such information to its evaluation of the Transaction, and if it does not complete a Transaction, shall return all such information to the Applicants, or in the alternative destroy all

such information. The purchaser, bidder or investor in any Transactions shall be entitled to continue to use the personal information provided to it, and related to the Property involved in the Transaction, in a manner which is in all material respects identical to the prior use of such information by the Applicants, and shall return all other personal information to the Applicants, or ensure that all other personal information is destroyed.

#### SERVICE AND NOTICE

- 49. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor shall (i) without delay, publish in the National Post (National Edition) a notice containing the information prescribed under the CCAA, (ii) within five days after the Initial Filing Date, (A) make this Order publicly available in the manner prescribed under the CCAA, (B) send, in the prescribed manner, a notice to every known creditor who has a claim against the Applicants of more than \$1,000, and (C) prepare a list showing the names and addresses of those creditors and the estimated amounts of those claims, and make it publicly available in the prescribed manner, all in accordance with Section 23(1)(a) of the CCAA and the regulations made thereunder.
- 50. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Guide Concerning Commercial List E-Service (the "Guide") is approved and adopted by reference herein and, in this proceeding, the service of documents made in accordance with the Guide (which can be found on the Commercial List website at https://www.ontariocourts.ca/scj/practice/regional-practice-directions/eservice-commercial/) shall be valid and effective service. Subject to Rule 17.05 of the *Rules of Civil Procedure* (Ontario) and paragraph 7 of the Guide, this Order shall constitute an order for substituted service pursuant to Rule 16.04. Subject to Rule 3.01(d) and paragraph 13 of the Guide, service of documents in accordance with the Guide will be effective on transmission. This Court further orders that a Case Website shall be established in accordance with the Guide with the following URL www.insolvencies.deloitte.ca/en-ca/SimEx.
- 51. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor shall create, maintain and update as necessary a list of all Persons appearing in person or by counsel in these proceedings (the "Service List"). The Monitor shall post the Service List, as may be updated from time to time, on the Case Website, provided that the Monitor shall have no liability in respect of the accuracy of or the timeliness of making any changes to the Service List.

- 52. THIS COURT ORDERS that if the service or distribution of documents in accordance with the Protocol is not practicable, the Applicants and the Monitor are at liberty to serve or distribute this Order, any other materials and orders in these proceedings, any notices or other correspondence, by forwarding true copies thereof by prepaid ordinary mail, courier, personal delivery or facsimile transmission to the Applicants' creditors or other interested parties at their respective addresses as last shown on the records of the Applicants and that any such service or distribution by courier, personal delivery or facsimile transmission shall be deemed to be received on the next business day following the date of forwarding thereof, or if sent by ordinary mail, on the third business day after mailing.
- 53. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants, the Monitor and their respective counsel are at liberty to serve or distribute this Order, any other materials and Orders as may be reasonably required in these proceedings, including any notices, or other correspondence, by forwarding true copies thereof by electronic message to the Applicants' creditors or other interested parties and their advisors. For greater certainty, any such distribution or service shall be deemed to be in satisfaction of a legal or juridical obligation and notice requirements within the meaning of clause 3(c) of the Electronic Commerce Protection Regulations, Reg. 81000-2-175 (SOR/DORS).

#### **GENERAL**

- 54. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants or the Monitor may from time to time apply to this Court to amend, vary or supplement this Order or for advice and directions in the discharge of their powers and duties hereunder.
- 55. THIS COURT ORDERS that nothing in this Order shall prevent the Monitor from acting as an interim receiver, a receiver, a receiver and manager, or a trustee in bankruptcy of the Applicants, the Business or the Property.
- 56. THIS COURT HEREBY REQUESTS the aid and recognition of any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body having jurisdiction in Canada or in the United States, to give effect to this Order and to assist the Applicant, the Monitor and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order. All courts, tribunals, regulatory and administrative bodies are hereby respectfully requested to make such orders and to provide such assistance to the

Applicant and to the Monitor, as an officer of this Court, as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order, to grant representative status to the Monitor in any foreign proceeding, or to assist the Applicant and the Monitor and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order.

- 57. THIS COURT ORDERS that each of the Applicants and the Monitor be at liberty and is hereby authorized and empowered to apply to any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body, wherever located, for the recognition of this Order and for assistance in carrying out the terms of this Order, and that the Monitor is authorized and empowered to act as a representative in respect of the within proceedings for the purpose of having these proceedings recognized in any jurisdiction outside Canada, including acting as a foreign representative of the Applicants to apply to the United States Bankruptcy Court for relief pursuant to Chapter 15 of the United States Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101-1530, as amended.
- 58. THIS COURT ORDERS that any interested party (including the Applicant and the Monitor) may apply to this Court to vary or amend this Order at the Comeback Hearing, or at any other time, on not less than seven (7) days' notice to any other party or parties likely to be affected by the order sought or upon such other notice, if any, as this Court may order; provided that the Chargees shall be entitled to rely on this Order as granted and on the Charges and priorities set forth in paragraphs 38 and 40 hereof, and subject to the limitations in paragraph 44, with respect to any fees, expenses and disbursements (including amounts loaned to the Applicant pursuant to the Commitment Letter) incurred as applicable, until the date this Order may be amended, varied or stayed.
- 59. THIS COURT ORDERS that this Order and all of its provisions are effective as of 12:01 a.m. Eastern Standard Time on the date of this Order without any requirement for issuance and entry.

## SCHEDULE "A" SISP TERMS AND CONDITOINS

[see attached]

#### **Sale and Investment Solicitation Process**

#### SimEx Inc., Iwerks Entertainment Inc. and SimEx-Iwerks Myrtle Beach LLC

#### Introduction

- 1. On January 19, 2024, SimEx Inc., Iwerks Entertainment Inc., and SimEx-Iwerks Myrtle Beach LLC (together, the "Applicants") obtained an initial order (that may be amended or amended and restated from time to time, the "Initial Order") under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* (the "CCAA" and the "CCAA Proceedings") from the Ontario Superior Court of Justice (Commercial List) (the "CCAA Court"). The Initial Order, among other things:
  - a. Provides for a stay of all proceedings against the Applicants assets, properties and undertaking and their respective directors and officers; and
  - b. Appoints Deloitte Restructuring Inc. as the monitor of the Applicants (in such capacity, the "Monitor").
- 2. Pursuant to the Initial Order, the Monitor is authorized to conduct a sale and investment solicitation process (the "SISP"), as described herein, with the assistance of the Applicants. The SISP is intended to solicit interest in an acquisition or refinancing of the business, or a sale of the assets and/or the business of the Applicants by way of merger, reorganization, recapitalization, primary equity issuance, or other similar transaction. The Monitor intends to provide all qualified interested parties with an opportunity to participate in the SISP.

#### **Opportunity**

- 3. The SISP is intended to solicit interest in and opportunities for a sale of, or investment in, all or part of the Applicants' assets and business operations (the "Opportunity"). The Opportunity may include one or more of a restructuring, recapitalization or other form or reorganization of the business and affairs of the Applicants as a going concern, or a sale of all, substantially all or one or more components of the Applicants' assets (the "Property") and business operations (the "Business") as a going concern or otherwise, or some combination thereof (each, a "Transaction").
- 4. This document (the "SISP Procedure") describes the SISP, including the manner in which individuals, corporations, limited and unlimited liability companies, general and limited partnerships, associations, trusts, unincorporated organizations, joint ventures, governmental organizations or other entities (each, a "Person") may gain access to or continue to have access to due diligence materials concerning the Applicants, the Property and the Business, how bids involving the Applicants, the Property or the Business will be submitted to and dealt with by the Monitor and how Court approval will be obtained in respect of a Transaction.
- 5. The SISP contemplates a one-stage process that involves the submission by interested parties of binding offers by the Bid Deadline (as defined below).

- 6. Except to the extent otherwise set forth in a definitive sale or investment agreement with a successful bidder, any Transaction will be on an "as is, where is" basis and without surviving representations or warranties of any kind, nature, or description by the Monitor, the Applicants, or any of their respective agents, advisors or estates, and, in the event of a sale, all of the right, title and interest of the Applicants in and to the Property to be acquired will be sold free and clear of all pledges, liens, security interests, encumbrances, claims, charges, options, and interests therein and thereon pursuant to Court orders, to the extent that the Court deems it appropriate to grant such relief and except as otherwise provided in such Court orders.
- 7. In the SISP, (i) "Business Day" means any day (other than Saturday or Sunday) that banks are open for business in Toronto, Ontario. If any deadline date referred to in the SISP falls on a day that is not a Business Day, then such date shall be extended until the next Business Day; and (ii) the words "include", "includes" and "including" shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase, "without limitation".

#### **Timeline**

8. The following table sets out the key milestones under the SISP:

Milestone	Timeline	Targeted Deadline	
Commencement date	Immediately following the	January 29, 2024	
	approval of the SISP Process		
Preparation of SISP materials	10.1	January 29, 2024	
(i.e., Teaser, Investment	10 days		
Memorandum, Buyer list,	(in advance, immediately		
Notices for trade publication,	after Initial Order)		
NDA, populate EDR)			
Bid Deadline	45 days	March 14, 2024	
Auction Date (if applicable)	1 day	March 21, 2024	
Finalize Transaction agreement	7 days	March 29, 2024	
Sale Approval Motion (as		April 19, 2024 (outside	
defined below) in CCAA Court		date)	
Closing of the Transaction		<b>May 3, 2024 (outside</b>	
		date)	

9. The dates set out in the SISP may be extended by either: (i) further order of the Court; or (ii) the Monitor, with the consent of Royal Bank of Canada.

#### Solicitation of Interest: Notice of the SISP

- 10. As soon as reasonably practicable:
  - a. the Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants, will prepare a list of potential bidders, including (i) parties that have approached the Applicants or the Monitor indicating an interest in the Opportunity, and (ii) local and international strategic and financial parties who the Applicants, in consultation with the Monitor, believe may be interested in a

- Transaction pursuant to the SISP, in each case whether or not such party has submitted a letter of intent or similar document (collectively, "Known Potential Bidders");
- b. the Monitor will arrange for a notice of the SISP (and such other relevant information which the Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants, considers appropriate) (the "Notice") to be published in Insolvency Insider, the Monitor's website, and any other newspaper or journal or industry website as the Applicants, in consultation with the Monitor, consider appropriate, if any; and
- c. the Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants, will prepare: (i) a process summary (the "Teaser Letter") describing the Opportunity, outlining the process under the SISP and inviting recipients of the Teaser Letter to express their interest pursuant to the SISP; and (ii) a non-disclosure agreement in form and substance satisfactory to the Applicants and the Monitor and their respective counsel (an "NDA").
- 11. The Monitor will send the Teaser Letter and NDA to each Known Potential Bidder and to any other Person who requests a copy of the Teaser Letter and NDA or who is identified to the Applicants or the Monitor as a potential bidder as soon as reasonably practicable after such request or identification, as applicable.

#### **Potential Bidders and Due Diligence Materials**

- 12. Any party who wishes to participate in the SISP (a "Potential Bidder"), must provide to the Monitor an NDA executed by it, and which shall inure to the benefit of any purchaser of the Business or Property, or any portion thereof, and a letter setting forth the identity of the Potential Bidder, the contact information for such Potential Bidder and full disclosure of the direct and indirect principals of the Potential Bidder.
- 13. The Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants, shall in their reasonable business judgment and subject to competitive and other business considerations, afford each Potential Bidder who has signed and delivered an NDA to the Monitor and provided information as to their financial ability, in the Monitor's sole discretion, to close a transaction, such access to due diligence material and information relating to the Property and Business as the Applicants or the Monitor deem appropriate. Due diligence shall include access to an electronic data room ("EDR") containing information about the Applicants, the Property and the Business, and may also include management presentations, on-site inspections, and other matters which a Potential Bidder may reasonably request and as to which the Applicants, in their reasonable business judgment and after consulting with the Monitor, may agree. The Monitor will designate a representative to coordinate all reasonable requests for additional information and due diligence access from Potential Bidders and the manner in which such requests must be communicated. Neither the Applicants nor the Monitor will be obligated to furnish any information relating to the Property or Business to any person other than to Potential Bidders. Furthermore, and for the avoidance of doubt, selected due diligence materials may be withheld from certain Potential Bidders if the Applicants, in consultation with and with the approval of the Monitor, determine such information to represent proprietary or sensitive competitive information. Neither the Applicants nor the Monitor is responsible for, and will bear no liability

- with respect to, any information obtained by any party in connection with the Sale of the Property and the Business.
- 14. Potential Bidders must rely solely on their own independent review, investigation and/or inspection of all information and of the Property and Business in connection with their participation in the SISP and any transaction they enter into with the Applicants.

#### **Formal Binding Offers**

- 15. Potential Bidders that wish to make a formal offer to purchase or make an investment in the Applicants or their Property or Business (a "Bidder") shall submit a binding offer (a "Bid") that complies with all of the following requirements to the Monitor and Applicants' counsel at the addresses specified in Schedule "1" hereto (including by e-mail), so as to be received by them not later than 5:00 PM (EST) on March 14, 2024 or as may be modified in the Bid process letter that may be circulated by the Monitor to Potential Bidders, with the approval of the Applicants (the "Bid Deadline"):
  - a. the Bid must be either a binding offer to:
    - i. acquire all, substantially all or a portion of the Property (a "Sale Proposal"); and/or
    - ii. make an investment in, restructure, reorganize or refinance the Business or the Applicants (an "Investment Proposal"); or
  - b. carry out any combination of a Sale Proposal and an Investment Proposal;
  - c. the Bid (either individually or in combination with other bids that make up one bid) is an offer to purchase or make an investment in some or all of the Applicants or their Property or Business and is consistent with any necessary terms and conditions established by the Applicants and the Monitor and communicated to Bidders;
  - d. the Bid includes a letter stating that the Bidder's offer is irrevocable until the selection of the Successful Bidder (as defined below), provided that if such Bidder is selected as the Successful Bidder, its offer shall remain irrevocable until the closing of the transaction with the Successful Bidder;
  - e. the Bid includes duly authorized and executed Transaction agreements, including the purchase price, investment amount (the "**Purchase Price**"), together with all exhibits and schedules thereto:
  - f. the Bid is accompanied by a deposit (the "**Deposit**") in the form of a wire transfer (to a trust account specified by the Monitor), in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the Purchase Price, investment amount or other consideration to be paid in respect of the Bid, to be held and dealt with in accordance with this SISP;

- g. the Bid includes written evidence of a firm, irrevocable commitment for financing or other evidence of ability to consummate the proposed transaction, that will allow the Applicants and the Monitor to make a determination as to the Bidder's financial and other capabilities to consummate the proposed transaction;
- h. the Bid is not conditioned on (i) the outcome of unperformed due diligence by the Bidder, or (ii) obtaining financing, but may be conditioned upon the Applicants receiving the required approvals or amendments relating to the licenses required to operate the business, if necessary;
- i. the Bid fully discloses the identity of each entity that will be entering into the transaction or the financing, or that is otherwise participating or benefiting from such bid;
- j. for a Sale Proposal, the Bid includes:
  - i. the purchase price in U.S. dollars and a description of any non-cash consideration, including details of any liabilities to be assumed by the Bidder and key assumptions supporting the valuation;
  - ii. a description of the Property that is expected to be subject to the transaction and any of the Property expected to be excluded;
  - iii. a specific indication of the financial capability of the Bidder and the expected structure and financing of the transaction;
  - iv. a description of the conditions and approvals required to complete the closing of the transaction;
  - v. a description of those liabilities and obligations (including operating liabilities)
    which the Bidder intends to assume and which such liabilities and obligations
    it does not intend to assume; and
  - vi. any other terms or conditions of the Sale Proposal that the Bidder believes are material to the transaction.
- k. for an Investment Proposal, the Bid includes:
  - i. a description of how the Bidder proposes to structure the proposed investment, restructuring, recapitalization, refinancing or reorganization, and a description of any non-cash consideration;
  - ii. the aggregate amount of the equity and/or debt investment to be made in the Business or the Applicants in U.S. dollars.
  - iii. the underlying assumptions regarding the pro forma capital structure;

- iv. a specific indication of the sources of capital for the Bidder and the structure and financing of the transaction;
- v. a description of the conditions and approvals required to complete the closing of the transaction;
- vi. a description of those liabilities and obligations (including operating liabilities) which the Bidder intends to assume and which such liabilities and obligations it does not intend to assume; and
- vii. any other terms or conditions of the Investment Proposal.
- 1. the Bid includes acknowledgements and representations of the Bidder that the Bidder:
  - i. is completing the Transaction on an "as is, where is" basis;
  - ii. has had an opportunity to conduct any and all due diligence regarding the Property, the Business and the Applicants prior to making its Bid;
  - iii. has relied solely upon its own independent review, investigation and/or inspection of any documents and/or the Property in making its Bid; and
  - iv. did not rely upon any written or oral statements, representations, warranties, or guarantees whatsoever, whether express, implied, statutory or otherwise, regarding the Business, the Property, or the Applicants or the completeness of any information provided in connection therewith, except as expressly stated in the definitive transaction agreement(s) signed by the Applicants;
- m. the Bid is received by the Bid Deadline; and
- n. the Bid contemplates closing the Transaction set out therein immediately following the granting of the Sale Approval Order.
- 17. Following the Bid Deadline, the Monitor will assess the Bids received. The Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants and Royal Bank of Canada and will designate the most competitive bids that comply with the foregoing requirements to be "Qualified Bids". No Bids received shall be deemed not to be Qualified Bids without the approval of the Monitor. Only Bidders whose bids have been designated as Qualified Bids are eligible to become the Successful Bidder(s).
- 18. The Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants and Royal Bank of Canada, may waive strict compliance with any one or more of the requirements specified above and deem such non-compliant Bids to be a Qualified Bid. The Monitor and the Applicants will be under no obligation to negotiate identical terms with, or extend identical terms to, each Bidder.

- 19. The Monitor shall notify each Bidder in writing as to whether its Bid constituted a Qualified Bid within two (2) business days of the Bid Deadline, or at such later time as the Monitor deems appropriate.
- 20. The Monitor may, in consultation with the Applicants, aggregate separate Bids from unaffiliated Bidders to create one Qualified Bid.

#### **Evaluation of Competing Bids**

21. A Qualified Bid will be evaluated based upon several factors including, without limitation: (i) the Purchase Price and the net value provided by such bid, (ii) the identity, circumstances and ability of the Bidder to successfully complete such Transaction(s), (iii) the proposed Transaction documents, (iv) factors affecting the speed, certainty and value of the Transaction, (v) the assets included or excluded from the bid, (vi) any related restructuring costs,(vii) the likelihood and timing of consummating such Transaction, each as determined by the Applicants and the Monitor and (viii) any other factor deemed relevant by the Monitor in consultation with the Applicants.

#### Auction

- 22. If the Monitor receives at least two Qualified Bids and determines, in consultation with the Applicants and Royal Bank of Canada that they are competitive, the Monitor will conduct and administer an Auction in accordance with the terms of this SISP (the "Auction"). Instructions to participate in the Auction, which will take place via video conferencing, or in person, as determined by the Monitor, and will be provided to Qualified Parties (as defined below) not less than 24 hours prior to the Auction.
- 23. Only parties that provided a Qualified Bid by the Bid Deadline, as confirmed by the Monitor, (collectively, the "Qualified Parties"), shall be eligible to participate in the Auction. No later than 5:00 p.m. (EST) on the day prior to the Auction, each Qualified Party must inform the Monitor whether it intends to participate in the Auction. The Monitor will promptly thereafter inform in writing each Qualified Party who has expressed its intent to participate in the Auction of the identity of all other Qualified Parties that have indicated their intent to participate in the Auction.

#### **Auction Procedure**

- 24. The Auction shall be governed by the following procedures:
  - a. **Participation at the Auction.** Only the Applicants, the Qualified Parties, the Monitor and each of their respective advisors will be entitled to attend the Auction, and only the Qualified Parties will be entitled to make any subsequent Overbids (as defined below) at the Auction. The Monitor shall provide all Qualified Bidders with the details of the lead bid by 5:00 PM (EST) by no later than five (5) days after the Bid Deadline. Each Qualified Bidder must inform the Monitor whether it intends to participate in the Auction no later than 5:00 PM (EST) on the Business Day prior to the Auction;

- b. **No Collusion.** Each Qualified Party participating at the Auction shall be required to confirm on the record at the Auction that: (i) it has not engaged in any collusion with respect to the Auction and the bid process; and (ii) its bid is a good-faith *bona fide* offer and it intends to consummate the proposed transaction if selected as the Successful Bid;
- c. **Minimum Overbid.** The Auction shall begin with the Qualified Bid that represents the highest or otherwise best Qualified Bid as determined by the Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants (the "**Initial Bid**"), and any bid made at the Auction by a Qualified Party subsequent to the Monitors announcement of the Initial Bid (each, an "**Overbid**"), must proceed in minimum additional cash increments of USD \$50,000;
- d. **Bidding Disclosure.** The Auction shall be conducted such that all bids will be made and received in one group video-conference or otherwise, on an open basis, and all Qualified Parties will be entitled to be present for all bidding with the understanding that the true identity of each Qualified Party will be fully disclosed to all other Qualified Parties and that all material terms of each subsequent bid will be fully disclosed to all other Qualified Parties throughout the entire Auction; provided, however, that the Monitor, in its discretion, may establish separate video conference rooms to permit interim discussions between the Monitor and individual Qualified Parties with the understanding that all formal bids will be delivered in one group video conference, on an open basis;
- e. **Bidding Conclusion.** The Auction shall continue in one or more rounds and will conclude after each participating Qualified Party has had the opportunity to submit one or more additional bids with full knowledge and written confirmation of the then-existing highest bid(s);
- f. **No Post-Auction Bids.** No bids will be considered for any purpose after the Auction has concluded; and
- g. **Auction Procedures.** The Monitor shall be at liberty to set additional procedural rules at the Auction as it sees fit.

#### Selection of Successful Bid

- 25. Before the conclusion of the Auction, the Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants, will:
  - a. review and evaluate each Qualified Bid, considering the factors set out in paragraph 16 and any other factor that the Applicants or the Monitor may reasonably deem relevant, provided that each Qualified Bid may be negotiated among the Monitor in consultation with the Applicants and the Qualified Bidder, and may be amended, modified or varied to improve such Qualified Bid as a result of such negotiations; and

- b. identify the highest or otherwise best bid received at the Auction (the "Successful Bid" and the Qualified Party making such bid, the "Successful Party").
- 26. The Successful Party shall complete and execute all agreements, contracts, instruments or other documents evidencing and containing the terms and conditions upon which the Successful Bid was made within one business day of the Successful Bid being selected as such, unless extended by the Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants, subject to the milestones set forth in paragraph 9.

#### **Sale Approval Motion Hearing**

27. At the hearing of the motion to approve any transaction with a Successful Party (the "Sale Approval Motion"), the Monitor or the Applicants shall seek, among other things, approval from the Court to consummate any Successful Bid. All the Qualified Bids other than the Successful Bid, if any, shall be deemed to be rejected by the Monitor and the Applicants on and as of the date of approval of the Successful Bid by the Court.

#### **Confidentiality and Access to Information**

- 28. All discussions regarding a Sale Proposal, Investment Proposal, or Bid should be directed through the Monitor. Under no circumstances should the management of the Applicants be contacted directly without the prior consent of the Monitor. Any such unauthorized contact or communication could result in exclusion of the interested party from the SISP process.
- 29. Participants and prospective participants in the SISP shall not be permitted to receive any information that is not made generally available to all participants relating to the number or identity of Potential Bidders, Bidders, Qualified Bids, the details of any Bids submitted or the details of any confidential discussions or correspondence between the Applicants, the Monitor and such other bidders or Potential Bidders in connection with the SISP, except to the extent the Applicants, with the approval of the Monitor and consent of the applicable participants, are seeking to combine separate bids from Qualified Bidders.

#### **Supervision of the SISP**

- 30. The Monitor shall oversee and conduct the SISP, in all respects, and, without limitation to that supervisory role, the Monitor will participate in the SISP in the manner set out in this SISP Procedure, the SISP Order, the Initial Order and any other orders of the Court, and is entitled to receive all information in relation to the SISP.
- 31. This SISP does not, and will not be interpreted to create any contractual or other legal relationship between the Applicants or the Monitor and any Potential Bidder, any Qualified Bidder or any other Person, other than as specifically set forth in a definitive agreement that may be entered into with the Applicants.
- 32. Without limiting the preceding paragraph, the Monitor shall not have any liability whatsoever to any person or party, including without limitation any Potential Bidder, Bidder, the Successful Bidder, the Applicants, the DIP Lender, or any other creditor or other stakeholder of the Applicants, for any act or omission related to the process contemplated by this SISP Procedure, except to the extent such act or omission is the result from gross

negligence or willful misconduct of the Monitor. By submitting a bid, each Bidder, or Successful Bidder shall be deemed to have agreed that it has no claim against the Monitor for any reason whatsoever, except to the extent that such claim is the result of gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Monitor.

- 33. Participants in the SISP are responsible for all costs, expenses and liabilities incurred by them in connection with the submission of any Bid, due diligence activities, and any further negotiations or other actions whether or not they lead to the consummation of a Transaction.
- 34. The Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants, shall have the right to modify the SISP Procedure (including, without limitation, pursuant to the Bid process letter) if, in their reasonable business judgment, such modification will enhance the process or better achieve the objectives of the SISP; provided that the Service List in these CCAA proceedings shall be advised of any substantive modification to the procedures set forth herein.

#### **Deposits**

35. All Deposits received pursuant to this SISP shall be held in trust by the Monitor. The Monitor shall hold Deposits paid by each of the Bidders in accordance with the terms outlined in this SISP. In the event that a Deposit is paid pursuant to this SISP and the Monitor elects not to proceed to negotiate and settle the terms and conditions of a definitive agreement with the Person that paid such Deposit, the Monitor shall return the Deposit to that Person. In the event that the Successful Bidder defaults in the payment or performance of any obligations owed to the Monitor or the Applicants pursuant to any Final Agreement, the Deposit paid by the Successful Bidder, as applicable, shall be forfeited as liquidated damages and not as a penalty.

#### Schedule "1"

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## AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL NEEDHAM (sworn January 24, 2024)

I, MICHAEL NEEDHAM, of the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, MAKE
OATH AND SAY AS FOLLOWS:

I am the President and sole director of each of SimEx Inc. ("SimEx"), Iwerks
Entertainment, Inc. ("Iwerks") and SimEx-Iwerks Myrtle Beach, LLC ("SIMB"; and
together with SimEx and Iwerks, the "Applicants"). I founded each of the companies and
have been intimately involved with their business and operations since inception and, as
such, I have knowledge of the matters hereinafter deposed to. Where I have obtained
information from others, I have stated the source of my information and, in all such cases,
believe such information to be true.

#### I. OVERVIEW

- 2. As part of these proceedings, I previously swore an affidavit dated January 17, 2024 (the "January 17 Affidavit") in connection with the Applicants' application to the Ontario Superior Court of Justice (Commercial List) (the "Court") for an initial order (the "Initial Order") under the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act (Canada) (the "CCAA"). This affidavit is intended to be read with the January 17 Affidavit. Capitalized terms used herein but not otherwise defined herein have the meanings given to them in the January 17 Affidavit. Attached hereto and marked as Exhibit "A" is the January 17 Affidavit without exhibits. Attached hereto and marked as Exhibit "B" is a copy of the Initial Order.
- 3. I swear this affidavit in support of, among other things, the Applicants' motion scheduled to be heard by the Court on January 29, 2024 (the "Comeback Hearing") for, among other things:
  - (a) an order amending and restating the Initial Order (the "ARIO") to provide for certain additional relief, including:
    - (i) extending the stay of proceedings set out in paragraph 13 of the Initial Order (the "Initial Stay Period") to May 3, 2024 (the "Extended Stay Period");
    - (ii) confirming access to the maximum availability under the DIP Term Sheet (as defined in the Initial Order); and
    - (iii) confirming the maximum value of the Administration Charge, DIP Lender's Charge and D&O Charge (each, as defined in the Initial Order);

- (iv) approving a sale and investment solicitation process (the "SISP") in connection with the marketing and sale, refinancing or other investment in respect of all or party of the assets, property and undertaking (collectively, the "Property") of the Applicants; and
- (b) such other relief as the Applicants may request and the Court may permit.

#### II. UPDATE ON ACTIVITIES OF THE APPLICANTS

- 4. I believe that, to date in these CCAA proceedings, the Applicants have acted in good faith and with due diligence. Among other things, since the Initial Order was issued by the Court, the Applicants have:
  - (a) worked with the Monitor to complete, file and issue all information and documentation required under the CCAA;
  - (b) held a virtual "town hall" meeting with the Applicants' employees;
  - (c) worked with the Monitor to respond to inquiries from stakeholders regarding the CCAA proceedings;
  - (d) had discussions with key unsecrued stakeholders regarding the CCAA proceedings;
  - (e) met the conditions precedent to obtain an advance under the DIP Term Sheet but owing to accounts collected, as of the date hereof, does not anticipated requiring to request an advance under the DIP Term Sheet until after the Comeback Hearing;

- (f) worked with the Monitor, as designated foreign representative of the Applicants, to initiate proceedings to recognize these CCAA proceedings under Chapter 15 of the United States *Bankruptcy Code*;
- (g) worked with the Monitor and counsel to prepare the information, documentation and other materials necessary to create a virtual dataroom and facilitate the immediate commencement of the active stage of the SISP, following approval of the same; and
- (h) prepared materials in support of the relief sought in the ARIO.
- 5. Additionally, the Applicants have continued to operate their business enterprise, subject to the terms of the Initial Order and in accordance with the limitations of the Cash Flow Forecast (as defined in the Initial Order).

#### III. EXTENSTION OF STAY OF PROCEEDINGS

- 6. The Applicants are seeking an extension to the stay of proceedings until the end of the Extended Stay Period namely: (up to and including May 3, 2024).
- 7. The extension being sought is necessary and appropriate in the circumstances and will allow the Applicants to, among other things:
  - (a) continue to stabilize business operations;
  - (b) in consultation with the Monitor, consider, address and implement appropriate restructuring steps to streamline the Applicants business operations and cash flow; and

- (c) fully implement the SISP, should this Court approve the same, in order to effect a restructuring of the Applicants' business enterprise by way of a sale, refinancing or other investment in respect to the Property.
- 8. Without the requested stay extension, the Applicants will have no further access to funding under the DIP Term Sheet and be forced to cease operating, to the detriment of all stakeholders.

### IV. CONFIRMATION OF MAXIMUM AVAILABILITY UNDER DIP TERM SHEET AND EXTENDED LIMITS OF COURT-ORDERED CHARGES

#### Availability under the DIP Term Sheet

- 9. In the Initial Order, the Court approved the maximum available borrowings under the DIP Term Sheet in the principal amount of USD \$600,000 but limited the availability to USD\$200,000 during the Initial Stay Period.
- 10. To date, the Applicants have not been required to borrow anything under the DIP Term Sheet. Owing to successful collection of accounts receivable, the Applicants do not anticipate requiring any funding under the DIP Term Sheet until after the Comeback Hearing.
- 11. Nothing has changed since the Initial Order that would reduce or increase the need for the maximum available borrowings under the DIP Term Sheet of USD \$600,000, as reflected in the cash flow forecast appended to the January 17 Affidavit, a copy of which is attached hereto and marked as **Exhibit "C"**.

#### Confirmation of Extended Court-Ordered Charges

12. In the Initial Order, the Court approved the following charges (the "Charges") and limitations during the Initial Stay Period:

Charge	Full Value of Charge (USD)	Limitation on Charge during Initial Stay Period (USD)
Administration Charge	\$500,000	\$200,000
DIP Lender's Charge	\$600,000	\$390,000
D&O Charge	\$400,000	\$230,000

- 13. To date, the Applicants have not incurred liabilities to the beneficiaries of the Charges in excess of the prescribed limits during the initial Stay Period, nor that are incongruous with the Cash Flow Forecast.
- 14. Nothing has changed since that Initial Order that would warrant a reduction or increase to the full value of the Charges approved in the Initial Order and projected to be required over the course of the Extended Stay Period.

#### V. APPROVAL OF THE SISP

- 15. As stated in the January 17 Affidavit, the Applicants developed the SISP in consultation with the Monitor and its senior secured creditor, Royal Bank of Canada.
- 16. Attached hereto and marked as **Exhibit "D"** are the proposed SISP procedures and milestones. A summary of the key provisions of the SISP is a follows:
  - immediate preparatory steps following the issuance of the Initial Order, including identification of potentially interested investors and potentially interested purchasers, which is in progress as of the date hereof;

- (b) an active, public launch of the process immediately following the issuance of the ARIO;
- (c) solicitation of interest on an "as is, where is" basis;
- (d) a forty-five (45) day period for marketing and due diligence;
- (e) a target offer/bid deadline of March 14, 2024;
- (f) a potential auction where appropriate;
- (g) negotiation of a final successful offer; and
- (h) Court approval of the successful offer, recommended by the Monitor, and closing thereafter.
- 17. The following is a summary of the anticipated material milestones, projected timelines and targeted deadlines of the SISP:

Milestone	Timeline	Targeted Deadline	
Commencement date	Immediately following the	January 29, 2024	
	approval of the SISP Process		
Preparation of SISP	10 days	January 29, 2024	
materials (i.e., Teaser,			
Investment Memorandum,			
Buyer list, Notices for trade			
publication, NDA, populate			
EDR)			
Bid Deadline	45 days	March 14, 2024	
Auction Date (if applicable)	1 day 7 days	March 21, 2024	
Finalize Transaction		March 29, 2024	
agreement			
Sale Approval Motion (as		April 19, 2024 (outside	
defined below) in CCAA		date)	
Court		·	
Closing of the Transaction		May 3, 2024 (outside	
		date)	

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the SISP contemplates that the above deadlines may be extended, where the Monitor believes the same to be appropriate.

18. The SISP has been developed with the Proposed Monitor and has the support of all key stakeholders. I understand from counsel that the terms of the SISP are consistent with prevailing insolvency practices and will provide a transparent process to maximize value for the stakeholders. The Applicants believe that, in the circumstances, the SISP is appropriate and reasonable.

#### VI. CONCLUSION

19. Since the Initial Order was issued, the Applicants have acted and continue to act in good faith and with due diligence. I swear this affidavit in support of the Applicants' motion for an Amended and Restated Order.

SWORN before me at the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January 2024 in accordance with O. Reg. 431/20 Administering Oath or Declaration Remotely

Commissioner for Taking Affidavits

Michael J. Needham.

MICHAEL NEEDHAM

## **TAB A**

This is Exhibit "A" referred to in the Affidavit of Michael Needham sworn before me this 24th day of January, 2024.

A Commissioner, etc.

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## AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL NEEDHAM (sworn January 12, 2024)

I, MICHAEL NEEDHAM, of the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, MAKE
OATH AND SAY AS FOLLOWS:

#### I. OVERVIEW

- I am the President and a director of each of SimEx Inc. ("SimEx"), Iwerks Entertainment, Inc. ("Iwerks") and SimEx-Iwerks Myrtle Beach, LLC ("SIMB"; and together with SimEx and Iwerks, the "Applicants"). I founded each of the companies and have been intimately involved with their business and operations since inception and, as such, I have knowledge of the matters hereinafter deposed to. Where I have obtained information from others, I have stated the source of my information and, in all such cases, believe such information to be true.
- 2. I swear this affidavit in support of, among other things, an application by the Applicants for protection from their creditors pursuant to the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*, R.S.C., 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the "**CCAA**").

- 3. More specifically, the Applicants are seeking an initial order (the "**Initial Order**") for, *inter alia*:
  - (a) a declaration that the Applicants are companies to which the CCAA applies;
  - (b) an initial stay of proceedings through to January 29, 2024 (the "Stay Period");
  - (c) approval of the appointment of Deloitte Restructuring Inc. as monitor of the Applicants in the within proceedings (in such capacity, the "**Proposed Monitor**");
  - approval of an administration charge of USD \$500,000 (the "Administration
     Charge"), as detailed herein including prescribed limitations during the initial
     Stay Period;
  - approval of an interim loan facility (the "DIP Loan") on terms of the interim loan agreement (the "Dip Term Sheet") between the Applicants, as borrowers, and Royal Bank of Canada ("RBC"), as interim lender (the "DIP Lender"); and, an DIP financing charge in the amount of USD \$600,000 (the "DIP Lender's Charge"), all as detailed herein including prescribed limitations during the initial Stay Period;
  - (f) approval of a charge in favour of the current directors and officers of the Applicants in the amount USD \$300,000 (the "**D&O Charge**"), as detailed herein including prescribed limitations during the initial Stay Period; and
  - approval of a sale and investment solicitation process in respect of business and assets of the Applicants (a "SISP"), as detailed herein including prescribed limitations during the initial Stay Period.

- 4. If the Initial Order is granted, the Applicants intend to return to Court on January 29, 2024 (the "Comeback Hearing") to request an amended and restated initial order (the "ARIO") that would:
  - (a) extend the Stay Period to allow the Applicants to fully implement the SISP and return to Court for approval of transaction(s) and/or the filing of any resultant plan.
- 5. For the reasons set out herein, I do verily believe that the Applicants are insolvent and are companies to which the CCAA applies.

#### II. URGENT NEED FOR RELIEF

- 6. The Applicants operate a unique business enterprise in the specialized "4D" motion rides and cinematic attractions space producing and licensing 4D movies, designing and installing 4D theatres and operating a themed attraction. The Applicants are not in the business of "retail movies" (e.g., Hollywood releases at multiplex theatres) but, instead, operating in the "theatre attractions" space (e.g., customized 4D movies and theatres for particular attractions such as museums, aquariums, libraries, government facilities, and themed attractions). These "theatre attractions" or "motion rides" rely heavily, if not exclusively, on tourism.
- 7. In past years, the Applicants have suffered losses primarily due to the COVID-19 pandemic ("COVID"), which crippled the industry during lockdowns and resulted in a slower-than-expected return to pre-COVID business levels. More problematic, however, was that immediately prior to COVID, the Applicants had invested significant time and effort in various projects that have been delayed or terminated coming out of COVID. Accordingly.

investments immediately prior to and early in COVID did not ripen into anticipated revenue streams. These projects are either "on hold" or amount to costs "thrown away".

- 8. Presently, the Applicants are experiencing a liquidity crisis and, without the protections afforded by the CCAA and access to interim financing will be unable to satisfy payroll, rent, licensing and royalty fees and other go-forward obligations.
- 9. The Applicants have consulted with their senior secured lender, RBC, and the Proposed Monitor and determined that the best path towards an optimal outcome for all stakeholders will be achieved by entering creditor protection afforded by a stay of proceedings under the CCAA and accessing interim funding through RBC to stabilize the business and pursue a Court-supervised SISP.

#### III. OVERVIEW OF THE APPLICANTS

#### A. Background

- 10. As stated, the Applicants operate in the "4D" movie and theatre industry. This industry features custom formatted movies, typically for immersive screen viewing, and customized theatres which feature extra-sensory experiences (e.g., from embedded speakers to "rumble seats" to wind, water or other environmental elements). The aim of a "4D" movie and theatre is to make the audience feel like they are "in" the film.
- 11. SimEx was one of the founding members of this industry when I formed the company with Moses Znaimer in 1984. The company's first project was the "Tour the Universe" Ride at the CN Tower.

- 12. In 2002, SimEx acquired California-based Iwerks Entertainment, Inc., centralising management in Canada and maintaining Iwerks as a wholly-owned operating subsidiary of SimEx in the US, based in Los Angeles and Baltimore.
- 13. In 2016, the Applicants incorporated SIMB, as a special purpose, wholly-owned operating subsidiary of Iwerks in South Carolina (discussed below).
- 14. The Applicants' products are featured in theatres and motion rides at tourist attractions in Canada and the US, as well as other places in the world. The Applicants have produced 4D films and have an active catalogue of more than 125 films available for license. The Applicants design and build theatre attraction facilities under contract. The Applicants also manage and operate theatre attraction facilities.

#### **B.** Corporate Structure

15. A copy of the Applicants' management organizational chart is attached hereto as **Exhibit**"A".

#### i. SimEx

- 16. SimEx is the parent company and directs all activities of the business enterprise. I am the president and sole director of SimEx.
- 17. SimEx is incorporated under the laws of the Province of Ontario. A corporation profile report for SimEx is attached hereto as **Exhibit "B"**.
- 18. SimEx is the production, design and manufacturing arm of the business enterprise. SimEx carries out three following primary functions:

- (a) 4D Film Production SimEx produces 4D film content for theatre attractions, by utilizing existing works under license which SimEx edits and formats for immersive experiences;
- (b) Attraction Design, Manufacturing & Support SimEx designs all elements of its theatre attractions, each of which is tailored to suit the particular customer's demands and limitations. SimEx then fabricates and installs all elements of the attractions and provides replacement service and support. SimEx provides attraction, design, manufacturing and support to customers around the world; however, the majority of these attractions are in North America and China; and
- (c) *Graphic Design* SimEx provides tailored graphic design, production and support services for theatre attractions it has helped to design and build, for theatre attractions using its licensed films or, more rarely, for attraction operators simply requesting custom graphic design services.
- 19. All of SimEx's services are marketed and sold directly, but also through Iwerks. In the latter case, the ultimate customer is a third-party and Iwerks acquires products and services from SimEx, who invoices and collects from Iwerks.

#### ii. Iwerks

- 20. Iwerks is a wholly-owned subsidiary of SimEx. I am the President and sole director of Iwerks.
- 21. Iwerks is incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware. A corporate search for Iwerks is attached hereto as **Exhibit "C"**.

- 22. Iwerks is the sales and service arm of the business enterprise. Iwerks carries out three primary functions:
  - (a) Attraction Co-Ventures Iwerks partners with a theatre attraction owner/operator and provides all of the required equipment and the owner/operator provides and funds all other requirements (e.g., premises leases, insurance, employees). Attraction co-ventures typically proceed under a revenue sharing agreement with the owner/operator, but some are fixed fee agreements, paid over time;
  - (b) *Licensing 4D Films* Iwerks licenses 4D films to various attraction owner/operators in exchange for royalty revenues; and
  - (c) *Customer Services* Iwerks provides service and repairs, and tech services to coventure partners and licensees.
- 23. Iwerks relies on SimEx for all its attraction equipment and 4D films, which SimEx invoices for and Iwerks, in turn, charges to its customers. Iwerks is wholly reliant on SimEx to continue its business.

#### iii. SIMB

- 24. SIMB is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Iwerks. I am the President and sole director of SIMB.
- 25. SIMB is incorporated under the laws of the State of South Carolina. A corporate search for SIMB is attached hereto as **Exhibit "D"**.

- 26. SIMB was incorporated for a single purpose. Iwerks had an opportunity to develop and operate a top-tier theatre attraction *without* a co-venture partner. Accordingly, SIMB was created to pursue this opportunity.
- 27. SIMB operates a licensed attraction in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina known as "The Simpsons in 4D". The attraction comprises a theatre and convenience store/gift shop created to provide visitors with a 4D immersive movie and physical attraction experience based on "The Simpsons" cartoon series.
- 28. Like Iwerks, SIMB relies on SimEx for all its attraction design services, equipment and film content, for which SimEx invoices. SIMB is wholly reliant on SimEx to continue its business.

#### iv. Other Subsidiaries

29. In addition to Iwerks and SIMB, SimEx also has four (4) other subsidiaries – namely: 6618391 Canada Inc., 6618359 Canada Inc., Cinema 4D Inc. and SimEx Santa's Late Inc. However, these subsidiaries were incorporated for specific film production projects which were completed or aborted. These subsidiaries are inactive. These subsidiaries (the "Non-Applicant Subsidiaries") are not Applicants in these proceedings.

#### C. Places of Business and Facilities

30. The Applicants operate out of five leased facilities located in Canada and the US.

#### i. Corporate Office

31. Head office functions are largely conducted out of a 16,033 square-foot office space located at 210 King Street East Suite #600, Toronto, Ontario (the "Corporate Office").

The Corporate Office functions primarily as a workspace for the Company's accounting and executive functions, including myself, the Chief Financial Officer and other members of the finance and management team. The graphic design team is also based in the Corporate Office. Prior to COVID, the Corporate Office also housed engineering, project management, architecture and sales teams. These teams have evolved to split time between the Production Facility (*as defined below*) and work-from-home. The Corporate Office is leased from Allied Properties by SimEx under a lease agreement dated October 14, 2017. SimEx pays rent for the Corporate Office of CAD \$68,671 per month, plus HST, and the lease term ends on March 31, 2028.

32. SimEx is currently one month in arrears under the Corporate Office lease.

#### ii. Production Facility

- 33. The design and production of attraction hardware and installations is conducted out of a warehouse located at 2299 Drew Rd, Mississauga, ON L5S 1A3 (the "**Production Facility**"). The Production Facility is a 28,512 square-foot warehouse and production facility with some office spaces. The Production Facility is leased from Desjardins Financial by SimEx under a lease agreement, most recently amended on July 16, 2020. SimEx pays rent for the Production Facility of CAD \$28,536 per month, plus HST, and the lease term ends on June 30, 2024.
- 34. SimEx is currently one month in arrears (CAD \$28,536 + HST) under the Production Facility lease.

#### iii. Distribution and Technical Services Office

- 35. The acquisition of film rights, the distribution and licensing of 4D films and attraction services is conducted by Iwerks out of an office located at 25030 Avenue Tibbitts, Suite F, Santa Clarita, California (the "**Distribution Office**"). The Distribution Office is a 4,320 square-foot office. The Distribution Office is leased from Rediger Investment Corporation by Iwerks under a lease agreement dated April 1, 2022. Iwerks pays rent for the Distribution Office of USD \$5,780 per month, plus applicable taxes. The lease term ends on February 28, 2025.
- 36. Iwerks is currently one month in arrears (USD \$5,780 + applicable taxes) under the Distribution Office lease.

#### iv. Attraction Co-Venture Office

- 37. The attraction co-venture division is conducted by Iwerks out of an office located at 600 Red Brook Boulevard, Suite 440, Owings Mills (Baltimore), Maryland (the "ACV Office"). The ACV Office is a 3,353 square-foot office. The ACV Office is leased from 600 Red Brook, LLC by Iwerks under a lease agreement dated June 2, 2021. Iwerks pays rent for the ACV Office of USD \$6,147 per month, plus applicable taxes. The lease term ends on July 31, 2026.
- 38. Iwerks is currently one month in arrears (USD \$6,147 + applicable taxes) under the ACV Office lease.

#### v. Attraction Site

39. The Simpson 4D experience is operated by SIMB from a rented property located at 1199

Celebrity Circle, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina (the "Attraction Site"). The Attraction Site

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is an 8,800 square foot facility featuring an attraction site comprising a movie theatre and convenience store/gift shop. The Attraction Site is leased from Broadway at the Beach, Inc. (Burroughs & Chapin) by SIMB under a lease agreement dated May 12, 2017. SIMB pays rent for the Attraction Site of USD \$35,456 per month, plus applicable taxes. The lease term ends on June 28, 2028.

40. SIMB is currently two months in arrears (USD \$70,912) under the Attraction Site lease.

# D. Employees

- 41. The Applicants currently employs seventy-six (76) individuals.
  - (a) forty-seven employees work for SimEx, all are full-time;
  - (b) sixteen employees work for Iwerks, all are full-time;
  - (c) thirteen employees work for SIMB, including five full-time and eight part-time employees.
- 42. Employees are paid biweekly in arrears. The Applicants are current on all payments to employees except for expense reports that may not yet have been submitted. However, as stated above, without access to the interim DIP funding sought in these proceedings, the Applicants will be unable to fund payroll for the week of January 22, 2024.
- 43. None of the employees are unionized or otherwise subject to a collective bargaining agreement in connection with their employment with any Applicant.
- 44. The Applicants do not sponsor, administer or otherwise have any registered or unregistered pension plans for any Canadian or American employees. SimEx offers Canadian employees an RRSP contribution program. Iwerks offers a 401k plan administration to its American employees (extended to one salaried employee of SIMB). All payments under such plans are current.

- 45. The Company provides a standard group benefit plan to its employees that covers extended heath care, dental care, life insurance, and accidental death and dismemberment insurance.
- 46. Additionally, the Applicants have several contactors and agents operating around the world. Agents are paid on a commission basis for sales.
- 47. The Applicants were forced to drastically reduce their staff during COVID. Once reopening began, the Applicants began to rehire, but at a very conservative rate. The Applicants are presently operating at a minimal staffing levels and do not believe there is any more room for staff reductions, without imperiling the business and the prospect of a successful SISP.

#### E. Customers

48. The Applicants have a diverse set of customers which license and operate theatre attractions, in some cases for their own facilities and in other cases as service providers to third-parties. Although we have longstanding relationships with various customers, in the majority of cases, each film/project is the subject of a stand alone agreement for one or more of the services the Applicants provide. Equally, payment and license terms are on a case-by-case basis. In the case of most of Iwerks' co-ventures, the co-venture partner is obligated to license the Applicants' films for the duration of the co-venture agreement.

# F. Key Suppliers

- 49. The Applicants have longstanding relationships with different film studios as suppliers of intellectual property. These dealings can be categorized broadly as follows:
  - (a) Licensing of Existing Films The Applicants will license from studio's existing films (often back catalogue titles) and edit such films to suit a 4D theatre attraction.

This includes both enhancing thematic elements of such films and shortening them for the purposes of a theatre attraction "ride". In turn, the Applicants sublicense such films to end-users and pay royalties to the subject studio; and

- (b) Original Licensed Content Although not as common as the licensing of existing films, the Applicants will from time to time create original content.
- 50. The Applicants key studio partners included Warner Brothers and Disney, each of whom are owed royalties.

# G. Cash Management & Accounting

- 51. All finance and accounting functions of the business enterprise are directed by SimEx and, specifically, SimEx's CFO.
- 52. In the ordinary course of business, the Applicants maintain accounts for SimEx through RBC in Canada, including a CAD Account, USD Account and distinct foreign exchange account for other currencies. In the US, independent accounts are maintained for Iwerks and SIMB through Wells Fargo.
- 53. All accounts are administered by SimEx's finance department, headed by the CFO in Toronto, Ontario, including:
  - (a) collection of accounts receivable from third parties;
  - (b) administration of intercompany receivables ("Intercompany Receivables");
  - (c) disbursements to fund payroll and benefits, capital expenditures, maintenance costs, payments to inventory vendors and other service providers; and

- (d) intercompany cash transfers and accounts amongst various Applicant entities ("Intercompany Transfers").
- Intercompany Receivables are amounts due and owing between the Applicants. Nearly all Intercompany Receivables are due to SimEx by Iwerks (with indirect receivables due from SIMB to Iwerks and, in turn, to SimEx). SimEx is not only the parent company and seat of control for the business enterprise but also the supplier of all products and services provided by its subsidiaries. SimEx has funded all the attraction equipment design, manufacturing and installation for Iwerks' co-ventures and for the SIMB attraction, and the overwhelming proportion of films licensed by Iwerks. The costs of these supplies are recorded as intercompany accounts receivable/payable on the Applicants' respective accounting records. SimEx also receives regular management fees, accounting fees and graphic design fees from its subsidiaries.
- 55. Intercompany Transfers are payments made by one Applicant to another. Intercompany Transfers are made on an "as needed" basis to ensure that each Applicant has sufficient working capital and liquidity to meet its needs. Intercompany Transfers are only recorded in the Applicants' financial statements and are not recorded via promissory notes or other debt instruments.
- The Applicants utilize five operating bank accounts. SimEx banks with the RBC in Canada.

  Iwerks and SIMB bank with Wells Fargo in the US (collectively, the "Bank Accounts").

  An overview of the Bank Accounts is as follows:

- (a) RBC Canadian dollar account owned by SimEx (the "RBC CAD Account"). The RBC CAD Account receives CAD payments to SimEx, whether from Iwerks or a third-party, as well as to fund payroll, vendor payments, production costs and taxes;
- (b) RBC American dollar account owned by SimEx (the "RBC USD Account"). The RBC USD Account receives USD payments to SimEx, whether from Iwerks or a third-party, as well as to fund payroll, vendor payments and taxes;
- (c) RBC foreign exchange account owned by SimEx (the "RBC Forex Account").

  The RBC Forex Account is used to receive foreign currency payments (i.e., non-CAD or non-USD) and converts the same into USD or CAD as required by SimEx;
- (d) Wells Fargo USD account owned by Iwerks (the "Iwerks Account"). The Iwerks Account is used to collect customer payments to Iwerks, as well as to fund payroll, vendor payments and taxes; and
- (e) Wells Fargo USD account owned by SIMB (the "SIMB Account"). The SIMB Account is used to fund SIMB payroll, vendor payments and taxes.
- 57. The Applicants propose to continue its existing cash management practices and use the Bank Accounts in the ordinary course during these proceedings, subject to the cash flow forecasts discussed herein and the oversight of the Proposed Monitor.

# IV. FINANCIAL CIRCUMSTANCES AND CASH FLOW FORECAST

58. The Applicants' fiscal year end is December 31<sup>st</sup>. Attached hereto as **Exhibit "E"** are the Applicants' consolidated audited financial statements for the fiscal years ended 2021 and

- 2022, (collectively, the "**Financial Statements**"). In each year during such period, the Applicants have recorded annual losses of approximately USD \$3,000,000.
- 59. Financial statement for fiscal year 2023 are not complete. Attached hereto as **Exhibit "F"** is the most recently completely internal consolidated monthly statement for October 2023, which includes a year-to-date annual loss of approximately USD \$2,600,000.
- 60. The Applicants have insufficient funds to pay their obligations as they come due.

#### A. Assets

- As at October 31, 2023, the Applicants, on a consolidated basis, had total assets of approximately USD \$26,500,000, consisting of approximately USD \$4,500,000 of current assets (accounts receivable, prepaid expenses and deposits, inventories, and HST refunds recoverable) and approximately USD \$26,500,000 of non-current assets (advanced royalties, property and equipment, attraction programs, product design and development, and intangible assets). Attached hereto as **Exhibit "G"** is a copy of the Applicants consolidated balance sheet as at October 31, 2023.
- 62. The following shows a breakdown of the Applicants' assets as at October 31, 2023:

	Oct 31, 2023
	(unaudited)
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ASSETS	
Current	
Receivables	2,814,740
Inventories	903,427
Work in progress	71,800
Prepaids	446,347
Current portion of advanced royalties	300,000
Total current assets	4,536,314
Long-term assets	
Advanced royalties	31,348
Property and equipment	12,627,994
Attraction programs	2,694,532
Product design and development	478,421
Goodwill	6,180,950
Total assets	26,549,559

# B. Liabilities

- As at October 31, 2023 the Applicants, on a consolidated basis, had liabilities totalling approximately USD \$29,600,000 consisting of approximately USD \$18,700,000 of current liabilities (bank indebtedness, accounts payable, lease liabilities, and current loan payables) and approximately USD \$10,800,000 of non-current liabilities (lease liabilities and long-term loan payables).
- 64. The following shows a breakdown of the Applicants' liabilities as of October 31, 2023:

LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	
Current	
Bank indebtedness	5,593,038
Payables and accruals	6,912,578
Income taxes payable	282,960
Deferred revenue	1,290,196
Current portion of bank term loans	1,391,245
Current portion of BCAP/HASCAP term loans	1,817,387
Current portion of BDC term loan	1,400,000
Total current liabilities	18,687,404
Long-term liabilities	
Bank term loans	3,562,299
BCAP/HASCAP term loans	2,236,671
BDC term loan	-
Other long-term liabilities	5,096,146
Total liabilities	29,582,520

# C. Cash Flow Forecast

65. The Applicants, with the assistance of the Proposed Monitor, have prepared a projected, extended cash flow forecast (the "Cash Flow Forecast") for the period ending May 3, 2024 that is premised on, among other things, the assumption that the Applicants will be granted CCAA protection and access to immediate DIP funding. I believe that the Cash Flow Forecast is a reasonable forecast of the Applicants' cash flow for the next 15-week period. A copy of the Cash Flow Forecast is attached hereto as Exhibit "H".

# V. THE APPLICANTS' CREDITORS

# A. Secured Creditors

- As of January 12, 2024, the Applicants' have aggregate secured debt obligations of approximately USD \$16,100,000 summarized as follows:
  - (a) approximately CAD \$6,757,555 due to RBC;
  - (b) approximately USD \$9,633,782 due to RBC; and
  - (c) approximately USD \$1,400,000 due to BDC Capital (as defined below)

# i. RBC

- 67. RBC is the Applicants' senior secured creditor, holding a senior secured interest against each of the Applicants' assets, property and undertakings in Ontario, as well as in the US.
- 68. SimEx has banked with RBC for many years, amending its debt and security documents from time to time. Most recently SimEx, as borrower, executed an amended and restated loan agreement (the "RBC Loan Agreement") with RBC dated March 31, 2023. A copy of the RBC Loan Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit "I".

- 69. Pursuant to the RBC Loan Agreement, the previous lending agreement was amended and restated and RBC agreed to provide four (4) credit facilities to SimEx:
  - (a) a revolving demand facility in the maximum amount of USD \$6,000,000 by way of (i) CAD loans at an interest rate of RBC prime + 2.00%; (ii) USD loans at an interest rate of RBC US Base Rate + 2.00%; (iii) letters of credit in CAD and USD with fees on a transaction-by-transaction basis; and, (iv) letter of guarantee in CAD of USD with fees on a transaction-by-transaction basis;
  - (b) a revolved facility in the maximum amount of USD \$5,500,000, available by way of series of loans, at an interest rate or RBC US Base Rate + 1.00%;
  - (c) a multi-draw term loan in the maximum amount of CAD \$6,250,000, accessible by

    (i) RBC prime rate based loans at RBC prime + 2.00% and (ii) fixed term rate loans

    (with rates determined at time of conversion); and
  - (d) a non-revolving term loan in the amount of CAD \$3,125,000, at any interest rate of 9.01%.

The facilities above are in addition to any leases or foreign exchange forward contracts outstanding with RBC, at any time. As well, the third and fourth facilities listed above were made possible with the support of the Export Development Canada ("EDC") Business Credit Availability Program. I understand under this program EDC has guaranteed payment of these facilities (the "EDC-Backed Facilities"), subject to certain conditions. I also understand from discussion with our counsel, the Proposed Monitor and the bank, that RBC has consulted with EDC as concerns this filing and it is supportive. Each of the

Applicants (as well as the Non-Applicant Subsidiaries) were existing guarantors of SimEx's obligations to RBC and executed the RBC Loan Agreement confirming the continued validity and effectiveness of their respective guarantees.

- 70. The RBC Loan Agreement is governed by and is to be construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Province of Ontario.
- 71. As security for the obligations under the RBC Loan Agreement, the Applicants reaffirmed all existing first-ranking security granted to RBC, including, among other things:
  - (a) Iwerks' guarantee of all of SimEx's obligations to RBC dated June 29, 2018;
  - (b) Iwerks' specific guarantee of June 29, 2018, of the financing advanced under the EDC-Backed Facilities up to USD \$12,000,000 (I understand this was required under the applicable EDC program);
  - (c) SIMB's guarantee of all of SimEx's obligations to RBC, dated June 29, 2018;
  - (d) Iwerks' specific guarantee of June 29, 2018, of the financing advanced under the EDC-Backed Facilities up to USD \$12,000,000 (I understand this was required under the applicable EDC program);
  - the Applicants' previously executed general security agreements in favour of RBC,
     granting to RBC a first-ranking charge on all of their present and after-acquired property;
  - (f) the existing assignment of insurance dated June 29, 2018, from SIMB in favour of RBC; and

(g) the existing securities pledge dated February 14, 2007, pursuant to which SimEx pledged all of the shares in its subsidiaries to RBC (collectively, the "RBC Security").

Copies of each document comprising the RBC Security are attached hereto as **Exhibit "J"**. There are additional security documents relating to the Non-Applicant Subsidiaries but they same have been excluded here as such parties are not Applicants, not operating and have no assets.

- As at January 12, 2024, the Applicants are jointly and severally indebted to RBC under the RBC Loan Agreement, secured by the RBC Security, in the approximate amounts of CAD \$6,757,555 and USD \$9,633,782.
- In addition to the foregoing, on July 20, 2021, SimEx entered into a credit facility agreement with RBC in connection with the Business Development Bank of Canada's Highly Affected Credit Availability Program (the "HASCAP Credit Agreement"), pursuant to which SimEx borrowed CAD \$1,000,000 at an annual interest rate of 4.0%, with monthly payments of principal and interest commencing thirteen months after drawdown and repayable in full on July 31, 2026. A copy of the HASCAP Credit Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit "K".
- 74. The obligations of SimEx under the HASCAP Loan Agreement are secured by the RBC Security.
- 75. The RBC Security is registered against SimEx and Iwerks in Ontario, under the *Personal Property Security Act* ("**PPSA**") and against SimEx and SIMB in the US, under the *Uniform Commercial Code* ("**UCC**").

As discussed below, RBC has a first-ranking security interest in respect of each of the Applicants, by reason of its registrations and intercreditor agreement with Applicants' other secured lender, BDC Capital Canada, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Business Development Bank of Canada ("BDC Capital").

# **RBC Demand**

- 77. As of January 8, 2024 there is CAD \$6,758,710.52 and USD \$9,767,838.15 outstanding under the RBC Loan, plus costs continuing to accrue.
- 78. On January 12, 2024, RBC formally noted the Applicants in default and issued demand for repayment and notices of intention to forces security under Section 244 of the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act. Copies of RBC's demand and notices are collectively attached and marked as **Exhibit "L"**.
- 79. Notwithstanding the forgoing, RBC has been supporting the Applicants. Since January 2, 2024, the Applicants have been in default of their payment obligations on the RBC Loan. And, as discussed herein, RBC is prepared to provide interim financing to facilitate the Applicants CCAA Proceedings.

# ii. BDC CAPITAL

80. On June 15, 2018, SimEx, as borrower, entered into a commitment letter with BDC Capital as lender, which was further amended by letter agreement dated June 27, 2018 (collectively, the "BDC Loan"). Pursuant to the BDC Loan, BDC Capital agreed to advance USD \$2,500,000 in two tranches, at either (a) a floating interest rate of BDC Capital's USD floating base rate + 7.50% or (b) a fixed rate following the final advance, at the borrower's request, with interest rates to be determined at the time. The maturity date

was June 1, 2022. The purpose of the loan was to fund SimEx's construction of "The Simpson" 4D theatre attraction Myrtle Beach, SC, operated by SIMB, which was sold to SimEx's subsidiaries and recorded as intercompany receivables. Attached hereto as **Exhibit "M"** is a copy of the BDC Loan.

- 81. As security for the obligations under the BDC Loan, *inter alia*:
  - (a) Iwerks executed a guarantee of all of SimEx's obligations to BDC Capital dated June 29, 2018;
  - (b) SIMB executed a guarantee of all of SimEx's obligations to BDC Capital dated June 29, 2018
  - (c) the Applicants each granted BDC Capital a charge on all of their present and afteracquired property, via general security agreements executed June 29, 2018; and
  - (d) an assignment of certain life insurance held by the Applicants in respect of my life; (collectively, the "BDC Capital Security"). Copies of each document comprising the BDC Capital Security (other than the assignment of life insurance, which I cannot locate at this time and was perhaps cancelled when I reached a certain age) is collectively attached hereto as Exhibit "N".
- 82. As at January 12, 2024, the Applicants are jointly and severally indebted to BDC Capital under the BDC Loan, secured by the BDC Capital Security, in the approximate amount of USD \$1,410,000. As discuss below, BDC Capital has subordinated its security in favour of RBC.

# iii. Equipment Financiers

- 83. In addition to the foregoing, the Applicants were also party to two secured equipment financings as follows:
  - (a) SimEx had financed the acquisition of certain office equipment (e.g., printers, 3D printers, digital presses, etc.) with Wells Fargo Equipment Finance Company, which financing was registered under the PPSA in respect of the subject equipment however, SimEx previously returned this equipment and is not longer making payments to Wells Fargo Equipment Finance Company and, as such, this registration is of no effect and should be deleted; and
  - (b) SimEx had financed the acquisition of certain photocopier equipment with RCAP Leasing Inc., which was registered under the PPSA in respect of the subject equipment however, SimEx previously returned this equipment and is no longer making payments to RCAP Leasing Inc. and, as such, this registration is of no effect and should be deleted;
- 84. SimEx is a party to an office equipment lease with De Lage Landen Financial Services

  Canada; however, to the best of my knowledge, they do not have any security interest.
- 85. As of the date of this affidavit, the Applicants are current on it equipment finance obligations.

# B. No Other PPSA and UCC registrations; RBC ranks First

86. Aside from RBC and BDC Capital, there are no other parties with registered general security interests against any of the Applicants under the Ontario PPSA or the UCC.

Copies of the PPSA and UCC search reports in respect of each of the Applicants are collectively attached and marked as **Exhibit "O"** 

87. On June 29, 2018, the Applicants, Non-Applicant Subsidiaries, RBC and BDC Capital executed an intercreditor agreement pursuant to which BDC Capital agreed to subordinate its security against the Applicants in favour of RBC, save and except for BDC Capital's interest in a corporate life insurance policy held by the Applicants, insuring my life. Attached hereto as **Exhibit "P"** is a copy of the intercreditor agreement.

# C. Crown Obligations and Priority Claimants

- 88. SimEx is current on HST payments through to January 12, 2024.
- 89. Going forward, HST remittances will be paid as reflected in the projected cash flow.
- 90. The Applicants are also current on all source deductions and they are funded to the Applicants' payroll providers as part of the normal payroll cycle. However, if the Applicants cannot access immediate DIP funding, they will be unable to meet payroll obligations during the week of January 24, 2024.
- 91. The Applicants are current on all US source and tax obligations.

# **D.** Unsecured Creditors

92. The Applicants have unpaid trade and other unsecured debt accrued in the normal course of business. As of January 12, 2024, the Applicants' accounts payable and accrued unsecured liabilities in excess of USD \$7,000,000.

# VI. CCAA PROCEEDINGS AND RELIEF SOUGHT

# A. Need for CCAA Proceedings and Eligibility

- 93. As indicated in the Cash Flow Forecast, without interim financing, the Applicants will be unable to operate in the ordinary course and payroll obligations will not be met, to the detriment of their stakeholders.
- 94. In consultation with their advisors and RBC, the Applicants have determined that the CCAA process is the most beneficial plan of action to maximize value for the Applicants' stakeholders.
- 95. The Applicants have, on a consolidated basis, liabilities in excess of \$5,000,000.

# B. Appointment of Monitor

- 96. The Applicants seek the appointment of Deloitte Restructuring Inc. ("**Deloitte**") as monitor of the Applicants in these CCAA proceedings. Deloitte has reviewed, and assisted in the preparation of, the Cash Flow Forecast and has provided guidance and assistance in the commencement of these CCAA proceedings.
- 97. As a result, Deloitte has developed critical knowledge about the Applicants, their business operations, financial challenges, strategic initiatives and restructuring efforts to date.
- 98. Deloitte has consented to act as the monitor, subject to Court approval. Attached as **Exhibit "Q"** hereto is a copy of Deloitte's consent to act as monitor.
- 99. Deloitte, in its capacity as Proposed Monitor, will be filing a report with the Court to provide additional information to support the relief sought.

# Anticipated Chapter 15 Proceedings in USA

100. As detailed above, the Applicants operate an integrated business enterprise in Canada and the US, with centralised management in Canada and operating US subsidiaries. The

proposed SISP (detailed below) contemplates the marketing of investment and acquisition opportunities for the entirety of the business enterprise.

- 101. I understand from counsel that this will require recognition of these proceedings in the US, so as to efficiently facilitate the SISP. I also understand from counsel that such recognition must be sought under Chapter 15 of the United States *Bankruptcy Code* by a "foreign representative" of the Applicants.
- The Applicants intend to request the Proposal Monitor seek standing in the US as such foreign representative for the purposes of obtaining such recognition, provided that in such capacity, the Proposed Monitor shall consult with the Applicants and their counsel in all respects.

# C. Administration Charge

- The Applicants seek a super-priority charge over the Applicants' Property (as defined in the Initial Order) in favour of the monitor, counsel to the monitor and counsel to the Applicants (the "**Professionals Group**"), to secure payment of their professional fees and disbursements, whether incurred before or after the date of the Initial Order. The proposed Administration Charge being sought is for a maximum amount of USD \$500,000
- 104. It is contemplated that the Professionals Group will have extensive involvement during the CCAA proceedings. The Professionals Group have contributed and will continue to contribute to the Applicants' restructuring efforts and will ensure that there is no unnecessary duplication of roles among them.
- 105. I also understand from counsel that the initial amount secured by the Administration

  Charge is limited by law to that amount required during the initial 10-day Stay Period. As
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set out in the Cash Flow Forecast, the Applicants will require \$390,000 to fund professional fees during the initial Stay Period. Accordingly, although the Applicants are seeking approval of the full Administration Charge, the requested form of Initial Order will limit the Administration Charge to \$390,000 until the Comeback Hearing

- 106. I believe the quantum of the Administration Charge sought, both in respect of the initial 10-day Stay Period and for the expected duration of these proceedings, is reasonably necessary to secure the professional fees of the Professionals Group.
- 107. The Administration Charge will rank in priority ahead of all other claims.

# D. DIP Loan and DIP Lender's Charge

- As detailed above, the Cash Flow Forecast demonstrates that the Companies will require an immediate injection of funds to enable them to carry-on business during the restructuring process and fund working capital and the costs of these proceedings. Without immediate access to interim funding, the Applicants will be unable to meet payroll and satisfy imminent working capital needs.
- 109. RBC has agreed to provide debtor-in-possession financing to the Applicants substantially in accordance with the DIP Term Sheet, conditional on the Court approving the DIP Term Sheet and granting the DIP Lender's Charge. A copy of the proposed DIP Term Sheet is attached hereto and marked as **Exhibit "R"**. A summary of the salient provisions of the DIP Term Sheet is a follows:
  - (a) a maximum principal amount of USD \$600,000 shall be made available under the DIP Term Sheet;

- (b) funding advanced under the DIP Term Sheet shall bear interest at a rate of RBC Prime + 2%;
- (c) advances under the DIP Term Sheet shall be made in response to written requests issued by the Applicants, provided that such request must (i) supported by the Proposed Monitor and (ii) in accordance with the Cash Flow Forecast (and any revised forecast);
- (d) any funding request representing any major deviation from the established cash flow forecast or as a result of an extraordinary event shall require the consent of RBC;
- (e) the DIP Terms Sheet is conditional on the Court approving and authorizing the same and granting a super-priority DIP Lender's Charge against the assets, property and undertakings of the Applicant to secure all obligations of the Applicants under the DIP Term Sheet, which shall rank subordinate only the Administration Charge (as defined below), but in priority to all other claims and encumbrances.; and
- (f) the DIP Term Sheet shall mature and be fully repayable upon, *inter alia*, default, in the event the stay of proceedings under the CCAA is lifted without the DIP Lender's consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld; or, the proceedings under the CCAA are terminated.
- 110. In addition to the forgoing, the availability of funding under the DIP Term Sheet is conditional on (a) the commencement of the SISP immediately following the issuance of

the Initial Order and (b) satisfaction of the milestones set out in the SISP, which are detailed in Part VI, Section G below.

- I understand from counsel that such terms are consistent with prevailing practices in insolvency proceedings. The Applicants believe that the terms of the DIP Term Sheet are reasonable, necessary and appropriate in the circumstances, and should be approved. In the absence of the DIP funding, the Applicant will not be able to conduct the SISP and will be forced to shut down the business and commence a liquidation of its assets, resulting in the loss of value and jobs detrimental to all of the Applicants creditors and stakeholders.
- I also understand from counsel that the Applicants' initial access to funding under the DIP

  Term Sheet is limited by law to that amount required during the initial 10-day Stay Period.

  As set out in the Cash Flow Forecast, the Applicants will require USD \$600,000 in DIP

  funding during this initial Stay Period. Accordingly, although the Applicants are seeking

  approval of the full amount of the proposed borrowings under the DIP Term Sheet and DIP

  Lender's Charge, the requested form Initial Order will limit access to interim funding to

  \$200,000 until the Comeback Hearing.
- 113. The DIP Lender's Charge will rank in priority ahead of all other claims, but behind the Administration Charge.

# E. Directors' and Officers' Charge

To ensure the ongoing stability of the Applicants during this CCAA proceeding, they require the continued participation of their officers and directors. The officers and directors have skills, knowledge and expertise, as well as established relationships with various stakeholders that will contribute to a successful path forward.

- 115. The Applicants' have a director's insurance policy which I understand provides coverage for certain claims and liabilities that may arise. However, the policy contains exclusions and exceptions to such coverage. The Applicants' ordinary course operations give rise to potential director or officer liability, including payroll and sales tax. To address legitimate concerns with respect to their potential exposure, the directors and officers have requested reasonable protection against personal liability that might arise during the post-filing period.
- Accordingly, to ensure the continued participation of their officers and directors, the Applicants are seeking a super-priority D&O Charge over all of the assets, property to and undertakings in the maximum amount of USD \$300,000, to secure the Applicants' obligation to indemnify the directors against certain claims. The quantum of the proposed D&O Charge was developed in consultation with the Proposed Monitor and is based on three weeks of Canadian payroll costs and two weeks of American payroll costs, plus outstanding vacation pay. I understand from counsel that this consistent with prevailing insolvency practice. In the circumstances, I believe is the approval of the D&O Charge, and the quantum of the same, is necessary and appropriate.
- I understand from counsel that the Applicants initial amount secured by a D&O Charge is limited by law to that amount required during the initial 10-day Stay Period. In consultation with the Proposed Monitor, the Applicants have determined that such amount is approximately \$230,000 which covers payroll during such time. Accordingly, although the Applicants are seeking approval of the full D&O Charge, the requested form of Initial Order will limit the D&O Charge to \$490,000 until the Comeback Hearing.

118. The D&O Charge will rank in priority ahead of all other claims, but behind the Administration Charge and the DIP Lender's Charge.

# F. SISP

- In consultation with counsel, RBC and the Proposed Monitor, the Applicants have determined that, given the severely underfunded nature of Applicants, in order to maximum its change of successful SISP, the same must begin immediately following the granting of the Initial Order.
- 120. For this reason, the Applicant is seeking approval of the SISP in the Initial Order. However, activities during the first 10 days of the SISP, corresponding with the initial Stay Period under the CCAA, will be limited to preparation of all necessary diligence materials and identification of potentially interested parties, in order to be in a position to launch the SISP immediately following the Comeback Hearing, assuming the Stay Period is extended to permit the same.
- 121. A hereto and marked as **Exhibit "S"** are the proposed SISP procedures and milestones. A summary of the key provisions of the SISP is a follows:
  - (a) immediate preparatory steps following the issuance of the Initial Order, including identification of potentially interested investors and potentially interested purchasers;
  - (b) an active, public launch of the process immediately following the issuance of the ARIO:
  - (c) solicitation of interest on an "as is, where is" basis;
  - (d) a forty-five (45) day period for marketing and due diligence;
  - (e) a target offer/bid deadline of March 14, 2024;
  - (f) a potential auction where there appropriate;

- (g) negotiation of a final successful offer; and
- (h) Court approval of the successful offer, recommended by the Monitor, and closing;
- 122. The following is a summary of the anticipated material milestones, projected timelines and targeted deadlines of the SISP:

Milestone	Timeline	Targeted Deadline
Commencement date	Immediately following the	January 19, 2024
	approval of the SISP Process	
Preparation of SISP	10 days	January 29, 2024
materials (i.e., Teaser,		
Investment Memorandum,		
Buyer list, Notices for		
trade publication, NDA,		
populate EDR)		
Bid Deadline	45 days	March 14, 2024
Auction Date (if	1 day	March 21, 2024
applicable)		
Finalize Transaction	7 days	March 29, 2024
agreement		
Sale Approval Motion (as		April 19, 2024 (outside
defined below) in CCAA		date)
Court		
Closing of the Transaction		May 3, 2024 (outside
		date)

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the SISP contemplates that the above deadlines may be extended, where the Monitor believes the same to be appropriate.

123. The SISP has been developed with the Proposed Monitor and has the support of all key stakeholders. I understand from counsel that the terms of the SISP are consistent with prevailing insolvency practices and will provide a transparent process to maximize value of the stakeholders. The Applicants believe that, in the circumstances, the SISP is appropriate and reasonable.

# **G.** Stay of Proceedings

124. Given the challenges faced by the Applicants described herein, the Applicants require a stay of proceedings to maintain the status quo and to give the Applicants the breathing space they require to develop a restructuring plan in consultation with their advisors and the Monitor.

# H. Relief to be Sought at Comeback Hearing

- 125. If the Initial Order is granted, then the Applicants propose to return to this Court for a comeback hearing on January 29, 2024.
- At the Comeback Hearing, the Applicants intend to seek the Court's approval of an Amended and Restated Initial Order. For the benefit of this Court and the Applicants' stakeholders, this section highlights that, at the Comeback Hearing, the Applicants shall only seek an extension to the Stay Period for a sufficient length of time to allow the Applicants to implement the SISP and return to Court for approval of transaction(s) or the filing of any resultant plan.
- 127. The Applicants may seek additional relief if determined to be necessary or advisable.

# VII. CONCLUSION

- 128. The Applicants, with the assistance of their legal advisors, and in consultation with RBC and the Proposed Monitor, have determined that the proposed CCAA proceedings represent the best available strategy to maximize value for the Applicants' stakeholders.
- 129. I swear this affidavit in support of an Application under the CCAA for an Initial Order in the form contained at Tab 1-A of the Application Record, and for no other or improper purpose.

SWORN before me at the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, this 17th day of January, 2024 in accordance with O. Reg. 431/20 Administering Oath or Declaration Remotely

Commissioner for Taking Affidavits

Shahrzad Hamraz

Michael J. Needham.

MICHAEL NEEDHAM

# **TAB B**

This is Exhibit "B" referred to in the Affidavit of Michael Needham sworn before me this 24th day of January, 2024.

A Commissioner, etc.



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# ONTARIO SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE COMMERCIAL LIST

THE HONOURABLE MADAM	)	FRIDAY, THE 19TH
	)	
JUSTICE CONWAY	)	DAY OF JANUARY, 2024

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

AND IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE OR ARRANGEMENT OF SIMEX INC., IWERKS ENTERTAINMENT, INC. SIMEX-IWERKS MYRTLE BEACH, LLC (the "Applicants")

# **INITIAL ORDER**

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

ON READING the affidavit of Michael Needham sworn January 17, 2024, and the Exhibits thereto, the pre-filing report dated January 18, 2024, of the proposed monitor Deloitte Restructuring Inc. ("Deloitte"), and on being advised that the secured creditors who are likely to be affected by the charges created herein were given notice, and on hearing the submissions of counsel for the Applicants, counsel for Deloitte, counsel for Royal Bank of Canada, counsel for BDC Capital Inc. and the other parties listed on the participant information form and no one appearing for any other party although duly served as appears from the affidavit of service of Amanda Adamo sworn January 17, 2024, and on reading the consent of Deloitte to act as the Monitor,

#### **SERVICE**

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

# **APPLICATION**

2. THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES that the Applicants are each a company to which the CCAA applies.

#### PLAN OF ARRANGEMENT

3. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants shall have the authority to file and may, subject to further order of this Court, file with this Court a plan of compromise or arrangement (hereinafter referred to as the "Plan").

# POSSESSION OF PROPERTY AND OPERATIONS

- 4. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants shall remain in possession and control of its current and future assets, undertakings and properties of every nature and kind whatsoever, and wherever situate including all proceeds thereof (the "Property"). Subject to further Order of this Court, the Applicants shall continue to carry on business in a manner consistent with the preservation of its business (the "Business") and Property. The Applicants are authorized and empowered to continue to retain and employ the employees, consultants, agents, experts, accountants, counsel and such other persons (collectively "Assistants") currently retained or employed by it, with liberty to retain such further Assistants as it deems reasonably necessary or desirable in the ordinary course of business or for the carrying out of the terms of this Order.
- 5. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants shall be entitled but not required to pay the following expenses whether incurred prior to or after this Order:
  - (a) all outstanding and future wages, salaries, employee and pension benefits, vacation pay and expenses payable on or after the date of this Order, in each case incurred in the ordinary course of business and consistent with existing compensation policies and arrangements; and

- (b) the fees and disbursements of any Assistants retained or employed by the Applicants in respect of these proceedings, at their standard rates and charges.
- 6. THIS COURT ORDERS that, except as otherwise provided to the contrary herein, the Applicants shall be entitled but not required to pay all reasonable expenses incurred by the Applicants in carrying on the Business in the ordinary course after this Order, and in carrying out the provisions of this Order, which expenses shall include, without limitation:
  - (a) all expenses and capital expenditures reasonably necessary for the preservation of the Property or the Business including, without limitation, payments on account of insurance (including directors and officers insurance), maintenance and security services; and
  - (b) payment for goods or services actually supplied to the Applicants following the date of this Order.
- 7. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants shall remit, in accordance with legal requirements, or pay:
  - (a) any statutory deemed trust amounts in favour of the Crown in right of Canada or of any Province thereof or any other taxation authority which are required to be deducted from employees' wages, including, without limitation, amounts in respect of (i) employment insurance, (ii) Canada Pension Plan, (iii) Quebec Pension Plan, and (iv) income taxes;
  - (b) all goods and services or other applicable sales taxes (collectively, "Sales Taxes") required to be remitted by the Applicants in connection with the sale of goods and services by the Applicants, but only where such Sales Taxes are accrued or collected after the date of this Order, or where such Sales Taxes were accrued or collected prior to the date of this Order but not required to be remitted until on or after the date of this Order, and
  - (c) any amount payable to the Crown in right of Canada or of any Province thereof or any political subdivision thereof or any other taxation authority in respect of municipal realty, municipal business or other taxes, assessments or levies of any

nature or kind which are entitled at law to be paid in priority to claims of secured creditors and which are attributable to or in respect of the carrying on of the Business by the Applicants.

- 8. THIS COURT ORDERS that until a real property lease is disclaimed in accordance with the CCAA, the Applicants shall pay all amounts constituting rent or payable as rent under real property leases (including, for greater certainty, common area maintenance charges, utilities and realty taxes and any other amounts payable to the landlord under the lease) but for greater certainty excluding accelerated rent or penalties, fees or other charges arising as a result of the insolvency of the Applicants or the making of this Order or as otherwise may be negotiated between the Applicant and the landlord from time to time ("Rent"), for the period commencing from and including the date of this Order, twice-monthly in equal payments on the first and fifteenth day of each month, in advance (but not in arrears). On the date of the first of such payments, any Rent relating to the period commencing from and including the date of this Order shall also be paid.
- 9. THIS COURT ORDERS that, except as specifically permitted herein, the Applicants are hereby directed, until further Order of this Court: (a) to make no payments of principal, interest thereon or otherwise on account of amounts owing by an Applicant to any of its creditors as of this date; (b) to grant no security interests, trust, liens, charges or encumbrances upon or in respect of any of its Property; and (c) to not grant credit or incur liabilities except in the ordinary course of the Business.

# RESTRUCTURING

- 10. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants shall, subject to such requirements as are imposed by the CCAA and such covenants as may be contained in the Definitive Documents (as hereinafter defined), have the right to:
  - (a) permanently or temporarily cease, downsize or shut down any of its business or operations;
  - (b) terminate the employment of such of its employees or temporarily lay off such of its employees as it deems appropriate; and

(c) pursue all avenues of refinancing of its Business or Property, in whole or part, subject to prior approval of this Court being obtained before any material refinancing,

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

- 11. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants shall provide each of the relevant landlords with notice of the Applicants' intention to remove any fixtures from any leased premises at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the intended removal. The relevant landlord shall be entitled to have a representative present in the leased premises to observe such removal and, if the landlord disputes the Applicants' entitlement to remove any such fixture under the provisions of the lease, such fixture shall remain on the premises and shall be dealt with as agreed between any applicable secured creditors, such landlord and the Applicants, or by further Order of this Court upon application by the Applicants on at least two (2) days notice to such landlord and any such secured creditors. If the Applicants disclaim the lease governing such leased premises in accordance with Section 32 of the CCAA, the Applicants shall not be required to pay Rent under such lease pending resolution of any such dispute (other than Rent payable for the notice period provided for in Section 32(5) of the CCAA), and the disclaimer of the lease shall be without prejudice to the Applicants' claim to the fixtures in dispute.
- 12. THIS COURT ORDERS that if a notice of disclaimer is delivered pursuant to Section 32 of the CCAA, then (a) during the notice period prior to the effective time of the disclaimer, the landlord may show the affected leased premises to prospective tenants during normal business hours, on giving the Applicants and the Monitor 24 hours' prior written notice, and (b) at the effective time of the disclaimer, the relevant landlord shall be entitled to take possession of any such leased premises without waiver of or prejudice to any claims or rights such landlord may have against the Applicants in respect of such lease or leased premises, provided that nothing herein shall relieve such landlord of its obligation to mitigate any damages claimed in connection therewith.

# NO PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE APPLICANTS OR THE PROPERTY

13. THIS COURT ORDERS that until and including January 29, 2024, or such later date as this Court may order (the "Stay Period"), no proceeding or enforcement process in any court or

tribunal (each, a "Proceeding") shall be commenced or continued against or in respect of the Applicants or the Monitor, or affecting the Business or the Property, except with the written consent of the Applicants and the Monitor, or with leave of this Court, and any and all Proceedings currently under way against or in respect of the Applicants or affecting the Business or the Property are hereby stayed and suspended pending further Order of this Court.

#### NO EXERCISE OF RIGHTS OR REMEDIES

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

#### NO INTERFERENCE WITH RIGHTS

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

# **CONTINUATION OF SERVICES**

16. THIS COURT ORDERS that during the Stay Period, all Persons having oral or written agreements with the Applicant or statutory or regulatory mandates for the supply of goods and/or services, including without limitation all computer software, communication and other data services, centralized banking services, payroll services, insurance, transportation services, utility or other services to the Business or the Applicants, are hereby restrained until further Order of this Court from discontinuing, altering, interfering with or terminating the supply of such goods

or services as may be required by the Applicants, and that the Applicants shall be entitled to the continued use of its current premises, telephone numbers, facsimile numbers, internet addresses and domain names, provided in each case that the normal prices or charges for all such goods or services received after the date of this Order are paid by the Applicants in accordance with normal payment practices of the Applicants or such other practices as may be agreed upon by the supplier or service provider and each of the Applicants and the Monitor, or as may be ordered by this Court.

# NON-DEROGATION OF RIGHTS

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

#### PROCEEDINGS AGAINST DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

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

# DIRECTORS' AND OFFICERS' INDEMNIFICATION AND CHARGE

19. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants shall indemnify their directors and officers against obligations and liabilities that they may incur as directors or officers of the Applicants after the commencement of the within proceedings, except to the extent that, with respect to any officer or director, the obligation or liability was incurred as a result of the director's or officer's gross negligence or wilful misconduct (the "D&O Indemnity").

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- 20. THIS COURT ORDERS that the directors and officers of the Applicants shall be entitled to the benefit of and are hereby granted a charge (the "Directors' Charge") on the Property, which charge shall not exceed an aggregate amount of USD \$300,000, as security for the indemnity provided in paragraph 20 of this Order, subject to the limited effect of the Director's Charge during the initial 10-days of these proceedings, prescribed by paragraph 44 hereof. The Directors' Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 38 and 40 herein.
- 21. THIS COURT ORDERS that, notwithstanding any language in any applicable insurance policy to the contrary, (a) no insurer shall be entitled to be subrogated to or claim the benefit of the Directors' Charge, and (b) the Applicants' directors and officers shall only be entitled to the benefit of the Directors' Charge to the extent that they do not have coverage under any directors' and officers' insurance policy, or to the extent that such coverage is insufficient to pay amounts indemnified in accordance with paragraph 20 of this Order.

# APPOINTMENT OF MONITOR

- 22. THIS COURT ORDERS that Deloitte Restructuring Inc. is hereby appointed pursuant to the CCAA as the Monitor, an officer of this Court, to monitor the business and financial affairs of the Applicants with the powers and obligations set out in the CCAA or set forth herein and that the Applicants and their shareholders, officers, directors, and Assistants shall advise the Monitor of all material steps taken by the Applicants pursuant to this Order, and shall co-operate fully with the Monitor in the exercise of its powers and discharge of its obligations and provide the Monitor with the assistance that is necessary to enable the Monitor to adequately carry out the Monitor's functions.
- 23. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor, in addition to its prescribed rights and obligations under the CCAA, is hereby directed and empowered to:
  - (a) monitor the Applicants' receipts and disbursements;
  - (b) report to this Court at such times and intervals as the Monitor may deem appropriate with respect to matters relating to the Property, the Business, and such other matters as may be relevant to the proceedings herein;

- (c) assist the Applicants, to the extent required by the Applicants, in their dissemination, to the DIP Lender and its counsel of financial and other information as agreed to between the Applicants and the DIP Lender which may be used in these proceedings including reporting on a basis to be agreed with the DIP Lender;
- (d) advise the Applicants in their preparation of the Applicants' cash flow statements and reporting required by the DIP Lender, which information shall be reviewed with the Monitor and delivered to the DIP Lender and its counsel on a periodic basis, but not less than weekly, or as otherwise agreed to by the DIP Lender;
- (e) advise the Applicants in their development of the Plan and any amendments to the Plan;
- (f) assist the Applicants, to the extent required by the Applicants, with the holding and administering of creditors' or shareholders' meetings for voting on the Plan;
- (g) have full and complete access to the Property, including the premises, books, records, data, including data in electronic form, and other financial documents of the Applicants, to the extent that is necessary to adequately assess the Applicants' business and financial affairs or to perform its duties arising under this Order;
- (h) be at liberty to engage independent legal counsel or such other persons as the Monitor deems necessary or advisable respecting the exercise of its powers and performance of its obligations under this Order; and
- (i) perform such other duties as are required by this Order or by this Court from time to time.
- 24. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor shall not take possession of the Property and shall take no part whatsoever in the management or supervision of the management of the Business and shall not, by fulfilling its obligations hereunder, be deemed to have taken or maintained possession or control of the Business or Property, or any part thereof.
- 25. THIS COURT ORDERS that nothing herein contained shall require the Monitor to occupy or to take control, care, charge, possession or management (separately and/or

collectively, "Possession") of any of the Property that might be environmentally contaminated, might be a pollutant or a contaminant, or might cause or contribute to a spill, discharge, release or deposit of a substance contrary to any federal, provincial or other law respecting the protection, conservation, enhancement, remediation or rehabilitation of the environment or relating to the disposal of waste or other contamination including, without limitation, the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act*, the Ontario *Environmental Protection Act*, the *Ontario Water Resources Act*, or the Ontario *Occupational Health and Safety Act* and regulations thereunder (the "Environmental Legislation"), provided however that nothing herein shall exempt the Monitor from any duty to report or make disclosure imposed by applicable Environmental Legislation. The Monitor shall not, as a result of this Order or anything done in pursuance of the Monitor's duties and powers under this Order, be deemed to be in Possession of any of the Property within the meaning of any Environmental Legislation, unless it is actually in possession.

- 26. THIS COURT ORDERS that that the Monitor shall provide any creditor of the Applicants and the DIP Lender with information provided by the Applicants in response to reasonable requests for information made in writing by such creditor addressed to the Monitor. The Monitor shall not have any responsibility or liability with respect to the information disseminated by it pursuant to this paragraph. In the case of information that the Monitor has been advised by the Applicants is confidential, the Monitor shall not provide such information to creditors unless otherwise directed by this Court or on such terms as the Monitor and the Applicants may agree.
- 27. THIS COURT ORDERS that, in addition to the rights and protections afforded the Monitor under the CCAA or as an officer of this Court, the Monitor shall incur no liability or obligation as a result of its appointment or the carrying out of the provisions of this Order, save and except for any gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part. Nothing in this Order shall derogate from the protections afforded the Monitor by the CCAA or any applicable legislation.
- 28. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor, counsel to the Monitor and counsel to the Applicants shall be paid their reasonable fees and disbursements, in each case at their standard rates and charges, by the Applicants as part of the costs of these proceedings. The Applicants are

hereby authorized and directed to pay the accounts of the Monitor, counsel for the Monitor and counsel for the Applicants on a bi-weekly basis.

- 29. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor and its legal counsel shall pass their accounts from time to time, and for this purpose the accounts of the Monitor and its legal counsel are hereby referred to a judge of the Commercial List of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice.
- 30. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor, counsel to the Monitor, US counsel to the Monitor, and the Applicants' counsel shall be entitled to the benefit of and are hereby granted a charge (the "Administration Charge") on the Property, which charge shall not exceed an aggregate amount of USD \$500,000, as security for their professional fees and disbursements incurred at the standard rates and charges of the Monitor and such counsel, both before and after the making of this Order in respect of these proceedings, subject to the limited effect of the Administration Charge during the initial 10-day Stay Period prescribed by paragraph 43 hereof. The Administration Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 37 and 39 hereof.

#### **DIP FINANCING**

- 31. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicant is hereby authorized and empowered to obtain and borrow under a credit facility from Royal Bank of Canada (the "DIP Lender") in order to finance the Applicants' working capital requirements and other general corporate purposes and capital expenditures, provided that borrowings under such credit facility shall not exceed the principal amount of USD \$600,000 unless permitted by further Order of this Court.
- 32. THIS COURT ORDERS THAT such credit facility shall be on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the term sheet between the Applicants and the DIP Lender (the "Commitment Letter"), filed.
- 33. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants are hereby authorized and empowered to execute and deliver such credit agreements, mortgages, charges, hypothecs and security documents, guarantees and other definitive documents (collectively, the "Definitive Documents"), as are contemplated by the Commitment Letter or as may be reasonably required by the DIP Lender pursuant to the terms thereof, and the Applicants are hereby authorized and directed to pay and perform all of its indebtedness, interest, fees, liabilities and obligations to the DIP Lender under and pursuant to the Commitment Letter and the Definitive Documents as and

when the same become due and are to be performed, notwithstanding any other provision of this Order.

- 34. THIS COURT ORDERS that the DIP Lender shall be entitled to the benefit of and is hereby granted a charge (the "DIP Lender's Charge") on the Property, subject to the limited effect of the DIP Lender's Charge during the initial 10-day Stay Period, as prescribed by paragraph 44 hereof, which DIP Lender's Charge shall not secure an obligation that exists before this Order is made. The DIP Lender's Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 37 and 39 hereof.
- 35. THIS COURT ORDERS that, notwithstanding any other provision of this Order:
  - (a) the DIP Lender may take such steps from time to time as it may deem necessary or appropriate to file, register, record or perfect the DIP Lender's Charge or any of the Definitive Documents;
  - (b) upon the occurrence of an event of default under the Definitive Documents or the DIP Lender's Charge, the DIP Lender, upon two (2) days notice to the Applicant and the Monitor, may exercise any and all of its rights and remedies against the Applicants or the Property under or pursuant to the Commitment Letter, Definitive Documents and the DIP Lender's Charge, including without limitation, to cease making advances to the Applicants and set off and/or consolidate any amounts owing by the DIP Lender to the Applicants against the obligations of the Applicant to the DIP Lender under the Commitment Letter, the Definitive Documents or the DIP Lender's Charge, to make demand, accelerate payment and give other notices, or to apply to this Court for the appointment of a receiver, receiver and manager or interim receiver, or for a bankruptcy order against the Applicants and for the appointment of a trustee in bankruptcy of any of the Applicants; and
  - (c) the foregoing rights and remedies of the DIP Lender shall be enforceable against any trustee in bankruptcy, interim receiver, receiver or receiver and manager of the Applicants or the Property.
- 36. THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES that the DIP Lender shall be treated as unaffected in any plan of arrangement or compromise filed by the Applicant under the CCAA, or

any proposal filed by the Applicants under the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* of Canada (the "BIA"), with respect to any advances made under the Definitive Documents.

#### VALIDITY AND PRIORITY OF CHARGES CREATED BY THIS ORDER

37. THIS COURT ORDERS that the priorities of the Directors' Charge, the Administration Charge and the DIP Lender's Charge, as among them, shall be as follows:

First – Administration Charge (to the maximum amount of USD \$500,000);

Second – DIP Lender's Charge (to a maximum principal amount of USD \$600,000; and

Third – Directors' Charge (to the maximum amount of USD \$300,000),

in each case subject to such limitations during the initial 10-day Stay Period prescribed by paragraph 43 hereof.

- 38. THIS COURT ORDERS that the filing, registration or perfection of the Directors' Charge, the Administration Charge or the DIP Lender's Charge (collectively, the "Charges") shall not be required, and that the Charges shall be valid and enforceable for all purposes, including as against any right, title or interest filed, registered, recorded or perfected subsequent to the Charges coming into existence, notwithstanding any such failure to file, register, record or perfect.
- 39. THIS COURT ORDERS that each of the Charges shall constitute a charge on the Property and such Charges shall rank in priority to all other security interests, trusts, liens, charges and encumbrances, claims of secured creditors, statutory or otherwise (collectively, "Encumbrances") in favour of any Person, notwithstanding the order of perfection or attachment.
- 40. THIS COURT ORDERS that except as otherwise expressly provided for herein, or as may be approved by this Court, the Applicants shall not grant any Encumbrances over any Property that rank in priority to, or *pari passu* with, any of the Directors' Charge, the Administration Charge or the DIP Lender's Charge, unless the Applicants also obtains prior written consent of the Monitor, the DIP Lender and the beneficiaries of the Directors' Charge and the Administration Charge, or further Order of this Court.

- 41. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Directors' Charge, the Administration Charge, the Commitment Letter, the Definitive Documents and the DIP Lender's Charge shall not be rendered invalid or unenforceable and the rights and remedies of the chargees entitled to the benefit of the Charges (collectively, the "Chargees") and/or the DIP Lender thereunder shall not otherwise be limited or impaired in any way by (a) the pendency of these proceedings and the declarations of insolvency made herein; (b) any application(s) for bankruptcy order(s) issued pursuant to BIA, or any bankruptcy order made pursuant to such applications; (c) the filing of any assignments for the general benefit of creditors made pursuant to the BIA; (d) the provisions of any federal or provincial statutes; or (e) any negative covenants, prohibitions or other similar provisions with respect to borrowings, incurring debt or the creation of Encumbrances, contained in any existing loan documents, lease, sublease, offer to lease or other agreement (collectively, an "Agreement") which binds the Applicants, and notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in any Agreement:
  - (a) neither the creation of the Charges nor the execution, delivery, perfection, registration or performance of the Commitment Letter or the Definitive Documents shall create or be deemed to constitute a breach by the Applicants of any Agreement to which it is a party;
  - (b) none of the Chargees shall have any liability to any Person whatsoever as a result of any breach of any Agreement caused by or resulting from the Applicants entering into the Commitment Letter, the creation of the Charges, or the execution, delivery or performance of the Definitive Documents; and
  - (c) the payments made by the Applicants pursuant to this Order, the Commitment Letter or the Definitive Documents, and the granting of the Charges, do not and will not constitute preferences, fraudulent conveyances, transfers at undervalue, oppressive conduct, or other challengeable or voidable transactions under any applicable law.
- 42. THIS COURT ORDERS that any Charge created by this Order over leases of real property in Canada shall only be a Charge in the Applicant's interest in such real property leases.

## LIMITATIONS ON DIP BORROWINGS & CHARGES DURING INTIAL STAY PERIOD

- 43. THIS COURT ORDERS that notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, during the period from and after the effectiveness of this Order and the Comeback Hearing (as defined below) (the "Interim Period"), the Applicants' ability to access funding under the Commitment Letter and the scope of the Charges is limited as follows:
  - (a) during the Interim Period, advances under the Commitment Letter shall be limited to the principal amount of USD \$200,000 in the aggregate, which is the amount necessary to sustain operations in this Interim Period and to satisfy obligations for payroll and source deductions;
  - (b) during the Interim Period, amounts secured by the Administration Charge shall be limited to USD \$390,000 in the aggregate, which is the amount required to fund the professional costs during the Interim Period;
  - (c) during the Interim Period, amounts secured by the DIP Lender's Charge shall be limited to USD \$200,000 in the aggregate, the amount necessary to sustain operations in this Interim Period and to satisfy obligations for payroll and source deductions; and
  - (d) during the Interim Period, amounts secured by the D&O Charge shall be limited to USD \$230,000 in the aggregate, which is the amount required secure the potential D&O liability during the Interim Period,

and provided that in the event the Stay Period is not extended at the Comeback Hearing the permitted borrowings under the Commitment Letter and scope of the Charges shall be permanently restricted and limited as set out in this paragraph 43, pending further order of the Court.

#### **COMEBACK HEARING**

44. THIS COURT ORDERS that the comeback motion required in this CCAA proceeding shall be heard at 11:00am (Toronto time) on January 29, 2024 (the "Comeback Hearing").

#### **SERVICE AND NOTICE**

45. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor shall (i) without delay, publish in the National Post (National Edition) a notice containing the information prescribed under the CCAA, (ii)

within five days after the date of this Order, (A) make this Order publicly available in the manner prescribed under the CCAA, (B) send, in the prescribed manner, a notice to every known creditor who has a claim against the Applicants of more than \$1,000, and (C) prepare a list showing the names and addresses of those creditors and the estimated amounts of those claims, and make it publicly available in the prescribed manner, all in accordance with Section 23(1)(a) of the CCAA and the regulations made thereunder.

- 46. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Guide Concerning Commercial List E-Service (the "Guide") is approved and adopted by reference herein and, in this proceeding, the service of documents made in accordance with the Guide (which can be found on the Commercial List website at https://www.ontariocourts.ca/scj/practice/regional-practice-directions/eservice-commercial/) shall be valid and effective service. Subject to Rule 17.05 of the *Rules of Civil Procedure* (Ontario) and paragraph 7 of the Guide, this Order shall constitute an order for substituted service pursuant to Rule 16.04. Subject to Rule 3.01(d) and paragraph 13 of the Guide, service of documents in accordance with the Guide will be effective on transmission. This Court further orders that a Case Website shall be established in accordance with the Guide with the following URL www.insolvencies.deloitte.ca/en-ca/SimEx..
- 47. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor shall create, maintain and update as necessary a list of all Persons appearing in person or by counsel in these proceedings (the "Service List"). The Monitor shall post the Service List, as may be updated from time to time, on the Case Website, provided that the Monitor shall have no liability in respect of the accuracy of or the timeliness of making any changes to the Service List.
- 48. THIS COURT ORDERS that if the service or distribution of documents in accordance with the Protocol is not practicable, the Applicants and the Monitor are at liberty to serve or distribute this Order, any other materials and orders in these proceedings, any notices or other correspondence, by forwarding true copies thereof by prepaid ordinary mail, courier, personal delivery or facsimile transmission to the Applicants' creditors or other interested parties at their respective addresses as last shown on the records of the Applicants and that any such service or distribution by courier, personal delivery or facsimile transmission shall be deemed to be received on the next business day following the date of forwarding thereof, or if sent by ordinary mail, on the third business day after mailing.

49. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants, the Monitor and their respective counsel are at liberty to serve or distribute this Order, any other materials and Orders as may be reasonably required in these proceedings, including any notices, or other correspondence, by forwarding true copies thereof by electronic message to the Applicants' creditors or other interested parties and their advisors. For greater certainty, any such distribution or service shall be deemed to be in satisfaction of a legal or juridical obligation and notice requirements within the meaning of clause 3(c) of the Electronic Commerce Protection Regulations, Reg. 81000-2-175 (SOR/DORS).

#### **GENERAL**

- 50. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants or the Monitor may from time to time apply to this Court for advice and directions in the discharge of its powers and duties hereunder.
- 51. THIS COURT ORDERS that nothing in this Order shall prevent the Monitor from acting as an interim receiver, a receiver, a receiver and manager, or a trustee in bankruptcy of the Applicants, the Business or the Property.
- 52. THIS COURT HEREBY REQUESTS the aid and recognition of any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body having jurisdiction in Canada or in the United States, to give effect to this Order and to assist the Applicant, the Monitor and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order. All courts, tribunals, regulatory and administrative bodies are hereby respectfully requested to make such orders and to provide such assistance to the Applicant and to the Monitor, as an officer of this Court, as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order, to grant representative status to the Monitor in any foreign proceeding, or to assist the Applicant and the Monitor and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order.
- 53. THIS COURT ORDERS that each of the Applicants and the Monitor be at liberty and is hereby authorized and empowered to apply to any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body, wherever located, for the recognition of this Order and for assistance in carrying out the terms of this Order, and that the Monitor is authorized and empowered to act as a representative in respect of the within proceedings for the purpose of having these proceedings recognized in a jurisdiction outside Canada, including acting as a foreign representative of the Applicants to

apply to the United States Bankruptcy Court for relief pursuant to Chapter 15 of the United States Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101-1530, as amended.

- 54. THIS COURT ORDERS that any interested party (including the Applicant and the Monitor) may apply to this Court to vary or amend this Order at the Comeback Hearing, or at any other time, on not less than seven (7) days' notice to any other party or parties likely to be affected by the order sought or upon such other notice, if any, as this Court may order; provided that the Chargees shall be entitled to rely on this Order as granted and on the Charges and priorities set forth in paragraphs 38 and 40 hereof, and subject to the limitations in paragraph 44, with respect to any fees, expenses and disbursements (including amounts loaned to the Applicant pursuant to the Commitment Letter) incurred as applicable, until the date this Order may be amended, varied or stayed.
- 55. THIS COURT ORDERS that this Order and all of its provisions are effective as of 12:01 a.m. Eastern Standard Time on the date of this Order without any requirement for issuance and entry.

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

AND IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE OR ARRANGEMENT OF SIMEX INC., IWERKS ENTERTAINMENT, INC., SIMEX-IWERKS MYRTLE BEACH, LLC

Court File No.: CV-24-00713128-0000

## ONTARIO SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE [COMMERCIAL LIST]

**Proceedings commenced at Toronto** 

#### **Initial Order**

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## **TAB C**

This is Exhibit "C" referred to in the Affidavit of Michael Needham sworn before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2024.

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SimEx Inc.
Notes to Cash Flow Forecast
For the 15 Weeks Ended May 3, 2024

The cash flow forecast ("**CF**") for the period January 19, 2024 to May 3, 2024 (the "**Cash Flow Period**") was prepared by SimEx Inc. ("**SimEx**") with the assistance of the Monitor. The Monitor relied on SimEx's internal books and records, discussions with management and forecast realizations during the Cash Flow Period to assist in the preparation of the CF.

The Monitor has not audited or otherwise attempted to verify the accuracy or completeness of the financial information in the CF in a manner that would wholly or partially comply with Canadian Auditing Standards pursuant to the *Chartered Professional Accountants Canada Handbook* and, accordingly, the Monitor expresses no opinion or other form of assurance in respect of the financial information.

Some of the information referred to in the CF and these notes consists of financial forecasts and projections. An examination or review of the financial forecast and projections, as outlined in the *Chartered Professional Accountants Canada Handbook*, has not been performed.

Future oriented financial information referred to in the accompanying CF was prepared based on Management's estimates and assumptions. Readers are cautioned that since projections are based upon assumptions about future events and conditions that are not ascertainable, the actual results will vary from the projections, even if the assumptions materialize, and the variations could be material.

The information and assumptions contained in the CF and these notes is not intended to be relied upon by any prospective purchaser or investor in any transactions with SimEx.

The CF is presented in USD. Non-USD currencies are translated to USD at the following rates:

Currency	Conversion rate to USD
Canadian dollar	0.75

#### **RECEIPTS**

#### [1] Customer receipts - \$3,953,009

This amount is primarily made up of Attraction Co-Ventures ("ACV") and non-ACV film receipts. ACV receipts, totaling \$2.3M, represent receipts from contracts where SimEx provides 4D theatre experiences at institutions (e.g., aquariums, zoos), amusement or theme parks and destinations. Revenue is generated from the rental of attraction equipment and are categorized into revenue-sharing and fixed lease contracts. Customers provide revenue reports monthly to SimEx to calculate the amounts due to SimEx and receipt of these amounts is expected 20-30 days after month-end. Fixed lease contracts are generally paid quarterly. ACV receipts from the week ended January 19, 2024 to February 9, 2024, are forecasted to delay by two weeks due to the additional collection efforts required after the announcement of the CCAA filing. ACV receipts are forecasted based on contractual terms between SimEx and the customers. Receipts of non-ACV film revenue, totaling \$1.4M, are estimated based on prior year's actual and released in the subsequent month.

#### [2] HST refunds - \$39,898

This amount represents the total HST refunds SimEx is forecasting to be received during the CF Period. HST refunds for week ended February 9, 2024 and March 8, 2024 represent December 2023 and January 2024 HST refund amounts, respectively. These amounts are estimated from actual HST returns filed with CRA. The HST refund for week ended April 12, 2024 represents the receipt of the

February 2024 HST refund, which amount is estimated from eligible receipts and disbursements in the CF.

#### **DISBURSEMENTS**

#### [3] Employee costs - \$2,078,725

The forecast amount represents primarily payroll, benefits, and contractor costs. The forecast amount is estimated from recent monthly actuals.

#### [4] Selling, general, and administrative costs - \$544,182

This forecast amount represents general office expenses, totaling \$226,000, and insurance expenses, totaling \$318,182. Of the total insurance expenses, \$42,294 represents overdue insurance expense related to Nature Trek at Wildlife Conservation Society, Bronx Zoo. Out of the remaining insurance expenses, monthly and quarterly payments to EDC for insurance coverage on certain receivables, totaling \$89,165, and annual general corporate insurance, totaling \$186,724.

#### [5] Rent costs - \$367,123

The forecast amount represents the continued leases of SimEx's offices at King Street, Drew Road, Santa Clarita, Baltimore, and Myrtle Beach. The CFF contemplates SimEx will disclaim the King Street lease in January 2024 and downsize to a smaller office in March 2024.

#### [6] Vendor payments- \$329,498

The forecast amount represents termination fees and material and service costs for ACV and service revenue. The Martian termination fee is payable to Disney on March 31, 2024, and the termination will go into effect on the same date. Material and service costs are 8% and 43% of the forecasted ACV and service receipts. The gross margins are based on historical figures.

#### [7] Contingency costs - \$160,000

The forecast amount represents approximately 5% of total operating expenditures.

#### [8] Professional fees - \$983,333

Of this total, \$483,333 represents Monitor's fees, \$275,000 represents Monitor's Canadian legal counsel, \$100,000 represents Monitor's US legal counsel, and \$125,000 represents Company's legal counsel.

#### [9] Debt service - \$nil

The cash flow forecasts deferral of debt service in the period.

SimEx!Iwerks									
15-Week Cash Flow Forecast									
For the period January 19, 2024 to May 3, 2024									
(in USD)	Forecast								
Week#	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Month	January	January	February	February	February	February	March	March	March
Week Ending	19-Jan-24	26-Jan-24	2-Feb-24	9-Feb-24	16-Feb-24	23-Feb-24	1-Mar-24	8-Mar-24	15-Mar-24
Year	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024
Operating Receipts									
Customer receipts	132,810	127,810	136,910	250,783	454,845	417,033	266,945	234,522	94,522
HST refunds	-	-	-	18,094	-	-	-	6,325	-
Total Operating Receipts	132,810	127,810	136,910	268,877	454,845	417,033	266,945	240,847	94,522
Operating Disbursements									
Employee costs	(70,000)	(150,000)	(154,523)	(155,005)	(85,000)	(159,030)	(100,000)	(171,293)	(90,005)
Selling, general and administrative costs	(42,294)	-	(111,530)	(11,445)	(22,000)	(25,000)	(17,000)	(2,000)	(22,000)
Rent costs	-	-	(129,610)	-	-	-	(83,051)	-	-
Vendor payments	(5,000)	-	(72,860)	(6,765)	(34,668)	(29,828)	(19,252)	(13,530)	(3,790)
Contingency costs	(10,000)	(10,000)	(10,000)	(10,000)	(10,000)	(10,000)	(10,000)	(10,000)	(10,000)
Total Operating Disbursements	(127,294)	(160,000)	(478,522)	(183,215)	(151,668)	(223,858)	(229,303)	(196,823)	(125,795)
Operating Cash Flow	5,516	(32,190)	(341,613)	85,662	303,177	193,175	37,642	44,024	(31,273)
Restructuring Costs									
Professional fees	-	-	(150,000)	-	-	(208,333)	-	-	(208,333)
Total Restructuring Costs	-	-	(150,000)	-	-	(208,333)	-	-	(208,333)
Net Operating Cash Flow before Debt Service	5,516	(32,190)	(491,613)	85,662	303,177	(15,158)	37,642	44,024	(239,606)
Debt Service									
Debt service	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Cash Flow	5,516	(32,190)	(491,613)	85,662	303,177	(15,158)	37,642	44,024	(239,606)
Operating Line									
Opening	5,940,000	5,934,484	5,966,675	6,458,287	6,372,625	6,069,448	6,084,607	6,046,965	6,002,940
Net cash flow	5,516	(32,190)	(491,613)	85,662	303,177	(15,158)	37,642	44,024	(239,606)
Closing	5,934,484	5,966,675	6,458,287	6,372,625	6,069,448	6,084,607	6,046,965	6,002,940	6,242,546
Operating line limit	6,000,000	6,000,000	6,000,000	6,000,000	6,000,000	6,000,000	6,000,000	6,000,000	6,000,000
Excess/(Deficiency)	65,516	33,325	(458,287)	(372,625)	(69,448)	(84,607)	(46,965)	(2,940)	(242,546)

SimEx!Iwerks									
15-Week Cash Flow Forecast									
For the period January 19, 2024 to May 3, 2024									
(in USD)	Forecast								
Week#	9	10	11	12	13	14	15		Assumptions
Month	March	March	April	April	April	April	May	Total	Reference
Week Ending	22-Mar-24	29-Mar-24	5-Apr-24	12-Apr-24	19-Apr-24	26-Apr-24	3-May-24		Reference
Year	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024		
Operating Receipts									
Customer receipts	265,772	310,232	232,968	252,968	212,968	345,218	176,804	3,913,111	[1]
HST refunds	-	-	-	15,479	-	-	-	39,898	[2]
Total Operating Receipts	265,772	310,232	232,968	268,447	212,968	345,218	176,804	3,953,009	
Operating Disbursements									
Employee costs	(150,000)	(79,030)	(198,750)	(72,543)	(170,005)	(72,250)	(201,293)	(2,078,725)	[3]
Selling, general and administrative costs	(7,000)	(17,000)	(2,000)	(178,168)	(7,000)	(17,000)	(62,746)	(544,182)	[4]
Rent costs	-	-	(77,231)	-	-	-	(77,231)	(367,123)	[5]
Vendor payments	(11,378)	(23,803)	(68,650)	(9,530)	(4,510)	(17,095)	(8,841)	(329,498)	[6]
Contingency costs	(10,000)	(10,000)	(10,000)	(10,000)	(10,000)	(10,000)	(10,000)	(160,000)	[7]
Total Operating Disbursements	(178,378)	(129,833)	(356,631)	(270,240)	(191,515)	(116,345)	(360,110)	(3,479,529)	
Operating Cash Flow	87,395	180,399	(123,663)	(1,793)	21,453	228,874	(183,306)	473,480	
Restructuring Costs									
Professional fees	-	-	(208,333)	-	-	-	(208,333)	(983,333)	[8]
Total Restructuring Costs	ı	-	(208,333)	-	-	-	(208,333)	(983,333)	
Net Operating Cash Flow before Debt Service	87,395	180,399	(331,996)	(1,793)	21,453	228,874	(391,639)	(509,854)	
Debt Service									
Debt service	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	[9]
Net Cash Flow	87,395	180,399	(331,996)	(1,793)	21,453	228,874	(391,639)	(509,854)	
Operating Line									
Opening	6,242,546	6,155,152	5,974,753	6,306,749	6,308,542	6,287,088	6,058,214	5,940,000	
Net cash flow	87,395	180,399	(331,996)	(1,793)	21,453	228,874	(391,639)	(509,854)	
Closing	6,155,152	5,974,753	6,306,749	6,308,542	6,287,088	6,058,214	6,449,854	6,449,854	
Operating line limit	6,000,000	6,000,000	6,000,000	6,000,000	6,000,000	6,000,000	6,000,000	6,000,000	
Excess/(Deficiency)	(155,152)	25,247	(306,749)	(308,542)	(287,088)	(58,214)	(449,854)	(449,854)	



January 18, 2024

Deloitte Restructuring Inc. ("DRI") 200 – 8 Adelaide Street West Toronto ON M5H 0A9

Attention: Jorden Sleeth and Richard Williams

Re: Proceedings under the Companies Creditors Arrangement Act ("CCAA") for SimEx Inc., Iwerks Entertainment Inc., and Simex-Iwerks Myrtle Beach LLC (the "Applicants") – Responsibilities / Obligations and Disclosure with Respect to Cash-Flow Projections

In connection with the application by the Applicants for the commencement of proceedings under the CCAA, the management of the Applicants ("Management") has prepared the attached cash-flow statement and the assumptions on which the cash-flow statement is based.

#### The Applicants confirm that:

- 1. The cash-flow statement and the underlying assumptions are the responsibility of the Applicants;
- 2. All material information relevant to the cash-flow statement and to the underlying assumptions have been made available to DRI in its capacity as Proposed Monitor; and
- 3. Management has taken all actions that it considers necessary to ensure:
  - a. That the individual assumptions underlying the cash-flow statement are appropriate in the circumstances;
  - That the assumptions underlying the cash-flow statement, taken as a whole, are appropriate in the circumstances; and
  - c. That all relevant assumptions have been properly presented in the cash-flow statement or in the notes accompanying the cash-flow statement.
- 4. Management understands and agrees that the determination of what constitutes a material adverse change in the projected cash flow or financial circumstances, for the purposes of our monitor the on-going activities of the Applicants, is ultimately at your sole discretion, notwithstanding that Management may disagree with such determination.
- 5. Management understands its duties and obligations under the CCAA and that a breach of these duties and obligations could make Management liable to fines and imprisonment in certain circumstances.
- The cash-flow statement and assumptions have been reviewed and approved by the Applicants' board of directors or management has been duly authorized by the Applicants' board of directors to prepare and approve the cash-flow assumptions.

Yours truly

Name: Milan Ghosh

Title: Chief Financial Officer

## TAB D

This is Exhibit "D" referred to in the Affidavit of Michael Needham sworn before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2024.

A Commissioner, etc.

#### **Sale and Investment Solicitation Process**

#### SimEx Inc., Iwerks Entertainment Inc. and SimEx-Iwerks Myrtle Beach LLC

#### Introduction

- 1. On January 19, 2024, SimEx Inc., Iwerks Entertainment Inc., and SimEx-Iwerks Myrtle Beach LLC (together, the "Applicants") obtained an initial order (that may be amended or amended and restated from time to time, the "Initial Order") under the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act (the "CCAA" and the "CCAA Proceedings") from the Ontario Superior Court of Justice (Commercial List) (the "CCAA Court"). The Initial Order, among other things:
  - a. Provides for a stay of all proceedings against the Applicants assets, properties and undertaking and their respective directors and officers; and
  - b. Appoints Deloitte Restructuring Inc. as the monitor of the Applicants (in such capacity, the "Monitor").
- 2. Pursuant to the Initial Order, the Monitor is authorized to conduct a sale and investment solicitation process (the "SISP"), as described herein, with the assistance of the Applicants. The SISP is intended to solicit interest in an acquisition or refinancing of the business, or a sale of the assets and/or the business of the Applicants by way of merger, reorganization, recapitalization, primary equity issuance, or other similar transaction. The Monitor intends to provide all qualified interested parties with an opportunity to participate in the SISP.

#### **Opportunity**

- 3. The SISP is intended to solicit interest in and opportunities for a sale of, or investment in, all or part of the Applicants' assets and business operations (the "Opportunity"). The Opportunity may include one or more of a restructuring, recapitalization or other form or reorganization of the business and affairs of the Applicants as a going concern, or a sale of all, substantially all or one or more components of the Applicants' assets (the "Property") and business operations (the "Business") as a going concern or otherwise, or some combination thereof (each, a "Transaction").
- 4. This document (the "SISP Procedure") describes the SISP, including the manner in which individuals, corporations, limited and unlimited liability companies, general and limited partnerships, associations, trusts, unincorporated organizations, joint ventures, governmental organizations or other entities (each, a "Person") may gain access to or continue to have access to due diligence materials concerning the Applicants, the Property and the Business, how bids involving the Applicants, the Property or the Business will be submitted to and dealt with by the Monitor and how Court approval will be obtained in respect of a Transaction.
- 5. The SISP contemplates a one-stage process that involves the submission by interested parties of binding offers by the Bid Deadline (as defined below).

- 6. Except to the extent otherwise set forth in a definitive sale or investment agreement with a successful bidder, any Transaction will be on an "as is, where is" basis and without surviving representations or warranties of any kind, nature, or description by the Monitor, the Applicants, or any of their respective agents, advisors or estates, and, in the event of a sale, all of the right, title and interest of the Applicants in and to the Property to be acquired will be sold free and clear of all pledges, liens, security interests, encumbrances, claims, charges, options, and interests therein and thereon pursuant to Court orders, to the extent that the Court deems it appropriate to grant such relief and except as otherwise provided in such Court orders.
- 7. In the SISP, (i) "Business Day" means any day (other than Saturday or Sunday) that banks are open for business in Toronto, Ontario. If any deadline date referred to in the SISP falls on a day that is not a Business Day, then such date shall be extended until the next Business Day; and (ii) the words "include", "includes" and "including" shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase, "without limitation".

#### **Timeline**

8. The following table sets out the key milestones under the SISP:

Milestone	Timeline	Targeted Deadline
Commencement date	Immediately following the	January 29, 2024
	approval of the SISP Process	
Preparation of SISP materials	10.1	January 29, 2024
(i.e., Teaser, Investment	10 days	
Memorandum, Buyer list,	(in advance, immediately	
Notices for trade publication,	after Initial Order)	
NDA, populate EDR)		
Bid Deadline	45 days	March 14, 2024
Auction Date (if applicable)	1 day	March 21, 2024
Finalize Transaction agreement	7 days	March 29, 2024
Sale Approval Motion (as		April 19, 2024 (outside
defined below) in CCAA Court		date)
Closing of the Transaction		<b>May 3, 2024 (outside</b>
		date)

9. The dates set out in the SISP may be extended by either: (i) further order of the Court; or (ii) the Monitor, with the consent of Royal Bank of Canada.

#### Solicitation of Interest: Notice of the SISP

- 10. As soon as reasonably practicable:
  - a. the Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants, will prepare a list of potential bidders, including (i) parties that have approached the Applicants or the Monitor indicating an interest in the Opportunity, and (ii) local and international strategic and financial parties who the Applicants, in consultation with the Monitor, believe may be interested in a

- Transaction pursuant to the SISP, in each case whether or not such party has submitted a letter of intent or similar document (collectively, "Known Potential Bidders");
- b. the Monitor will arrange for a notice of the SISP (and such other relevant information which the Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants, considers appropriate) (the "Notice") to be published in Insolvency Insider, the Monitor's website, and any other newspaper or journal or industry website as the Applicants, in consultation with the Monitor, consider appropriate, if any; and
- c. the Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants, will prepare: (i) a process summary (the "Teaser Letter") describing the Opportunity, outlining the process under the SISP and inviting recipients of the Teaser Letter to express their interest pursuant to the SISP; and (ii) a non-disclosure agreement in form and substance satisfactory to the Applicants and the Monitor and their respective counsel (an "NDA").
- 11. The Monitor will send the Teaser Letter and NDA to each Known Potential Bidder and to any other Person who requests a copy of the Teaser Letter and NDA or who is identified to the Applicants or the Monitor as a potential bidder as soon as reasonably practicable after such request or identification, as applicable.

#### **Potential Bidders and Due Diligence Materials**

- 12. Any party who wishes to participate in the SISP (a "Potential Bidder"), must provide to the Monitor an NDA executed by it, and which shall inure to the benefit of any purchaser of the Business or Property, or any portion thereof, and a letter setting forth the identity of the Potential Bidder, the contact information for such Potential Bidder and full disclosure of the direct and indirect principals of the Potential Bidder.
- 13. The Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants, shall in their reasonable business judgment and subject to competitive and other business considerations, afford each Potential Bidder who has signed and delivered an NDA to the Monitor and provided information as to their financial ability, in the Monitor's sole discretion, to close a transaction, such access to due diligence material and information relating to the Property and Business as the Applicants or the Monitor deem appropriate. Due diligence shall include access to an electronic data room ("EDR") containing information about the Applicants, the Property and the Business, and may also include management presentations, on-site inspections, and other matters which a Potential Bidder may reasonably request and as to which the Applicants, in their reasonable business judgment and after consulting with the Monitor, may agree. The Monitor will designate a representative to coordinate all reasonable requests for additional information and due diligence access from Potential Bidders and the manner in which such requests must be communicated. Neither the Applicants nor the Monitor will be obligated to furnish any information relating to the Property or Business to any person other than to Potential Bidders. Furthermore, and for the avoidance of doubt, selected due diligence materials may be withheld from certain Potential Bidders if the Applicants, in consultation with and with the approval of the Monitor, determine such information to represent proprietary or sensitive competitive information. Neither the Applicants nor the Monitor is responsible for, and will bear no liability

- with respect to, any information obtained by any party in connection with the Sale of the Property and the Business.
- 14. Potential Bidders must rely solely on their own independent review, investigation and/or inspection of all information and of the Property and Business in connection with their participation in the SISP and any transaction they enter into with the Applicants.

#### **Formal Binding Offers**

- 15. Potential Bidders that wish to make a formal offer to purchase or make an investment in the Applicants or their Property or Business (a "Bidder") shall submit a binding offer (a "Bid") that complies with all of the following requirements to the Monitor and Applicants' counsel at the addresses specified in Schedule "1" hereto (including by e-mail), so as to be received by them not later than 5:00 PM (EST) on March 14, 2024 or as may be modified in the Bid process letter that may be circulated by the Monitor to Potential Bidders, with the approval of the Applicants (the "Bid Deadline"):
  - a. the Bid must be either a binding offer to:
    - i. acquire all, substantially all or a portion of the Property (a "Sale Proposal"); and/or
    - ii. make an investment in, restructure, reorganize or refinance the Business or the Applicants (an "Investment Proposal"); or
  - b. carry out any combination of a Sale Proposal and an Investment Proposal;
  - c. the Bid (either individually or in combination with other bids that make up one bid) is an offer to purchase or make an investment in some or all of the Applicants or their Property or Business and is consistent with any necessary terms and conditions established by the Applicants and the Monitor and communicated to Bidders;
  - d. the Bid includes a letter stating that the Bidder's offer is irrevocable until the selection of the Successful Bidder (as defined below), provided that if such Bidder is selected as the Successful Bidder, its offer shall remain irrevocable until the closing of the transaction with the Successful Bidder:
  - e. the Bid includes duly authorized and executed Transaction agreements, including the purchase price, investment amount (the "**Purchase Price**"), together with all exhibits and schedules thereto:
  - f. the Bid is accompanied by a deposit (the "**Deposit**") in the form of a wire transfer (to a trust account specified by the Monitor), in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the Purchase Price, investment amount or other consideration to be paid in respect of the Bid, to be held and dealt with in accordance with this SISP;

- g. the Bid includes written evidence of a firm, irrevocable commitment for financing or other evidence of ability to consummate the proposed transaction, that will allow the Applicants and the Monitor to make a determination as to the Bidder's financial and other capabilities to consummate the proposed transaction;
- h. the Bid is not conditioned on (i) the outcome of unperformed due diligence by the Bidder, or (ii) obtaining financing, but may be conditioned upon the Applicants receiving the required approvals or amendments relating to the licenses required to operate the business, if necessary;
- i. the Bid fully discloses the identity of each entity that will be entering into the transaction or the financing, or that is otherwise participating or benefiting from such bid;
- j. for a Sale Proposal, the Bid includes:
  - i. the purchase price in U.S. dollars and a description of any non-cash consideration, including details of any liabilities to be assumed by the Bidder and key assumptions supporting the valuation;
  - ii. a description of the Property that is expected to be subject to the transaction and any of the Property expected to be excluded;
  - iii. a specific indication of the financial capability of the Bidder and the expected structure and financing of the transaction;
  - iv. a description of the conditions and approvals required to complete the closing of the transaction;
  - v. a description of those liabilities and obligations (including operating liabilities) which the Bidder intends to assume and which such liabilities and obligations it does not intend to assume; and
  - vi. any other terms or conditions of the Sale Proposal that the Bidder believes are material to the transaction.
- k. for an Investment Proposal, the Bid includes:
  - i. a description of how the Bidder proposes to structure the proposed investment, restructuring, recapitalization, refinancing or reorganization, and a description of any non-cash consideration;
  - ii. the aggregate amount of the equity and/or debt investment to be made in the Business or the Applicants in U.S. dollars.
  - iii. the underlying assumptions regarding the pro forma capital structure;

- iv. a specific indication of the sources of capital for the Bidder and the structure and financing of the transaction;
- v. a description of the conditions and approvals required to complete the closing of the transaction;
- vi. a description of those liabilities and obligations (including operating liabilities) which the Bidder intends to assume and which such liabilities and obligations it does not intend to assume; and
- vii. any other terms or conditions of the Investment Proposal.
- 1. the Bid includes acknowledgements and representations of the Bidder that the Bidder:
  - i. is completing the Transaction on an "as is, where is" basis;
  - ii. has had an opportunity to conduct any and all due diligence regarding the Property, the Business and the Applicants prior to making its Bid;
  - iii. has relied solely upon its own independent review, investigation and/or inspection of any documents and/or the Property in making its Bid; and
  - iv. did not rely upon any written or oral statements, representations, warranties, or guarantees whatsoever, whether express, implied, statutory or otherwise, regarding the Business, the Property, or the Applicants or the completeness of any information provided in connection therewith, except as expressly stated in the definitive transaction agreement(s) signed by the Applicants;
- m. the Bid is received by the Bid Deadline; and
- n. the Bid contemplates closing the Transaction set out therein immediately following the granting of the Sale Approval Order.
- 17. Following the Bid Deadline, the Monitor will assess the Bids received. The Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants and Royal Bank of Canada and will designate the most competitive bids that comply with the foregoing requirements to be "Qualified Bids". No Bids received shall be deemed not to be Qualified Bids without the approval of the Monitor. Only Bidders whose bids have been designated as Qualified Bids are eligible to become the Successful Bidder(s).
- 18. The Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants and Royal Bank of Canada, may waive strict compliance with any one or more of the requirements specified above and deem such non-compliant Bids to be a Qualified Bid. The Monitor and the Applicants will be under no obligation to negotiate identical terms with, or extend identical terms to, each Bidder.

- 19. The Monitor shall notify each Bidder in writing as to whether its Bid constituted a Qualified Bid within two (2) business days of the Bid Deadline, or at such later time as the Monitor deems appropriate.
- 20. The Monitor may, in consultation with the Applicants, aggregate separate Bids from unaffiliated Bidders to create one Qualified Bid.

#### **Evaluation of Competing Bids**

21. A Qualified Bid will be evaluated based upon several factors including, without limitation: (i) the Purchase Price and the net value provided by such bid, (ii) the identity, circumstances and ability of the Bidder to successfully complete such Transaction(s), (iii) the proposed Transaction documents, (iv) factors affecting the speed, certainty and value of the Transaction, (v) the assets included or excluded from the bid, (vi) any related restructuring costs,(vii) the likelihood and timing of consummating such Transaction, each as determined by the Applicants and the Monitor and (viii) any other factor deemed relevant by the Monitor in consultation with the Applicants.

#### Auction

- 22. If the Monitor receives at least two Qualified Bids and determines, in consultation with the Applicants and Royal Bank of Canada that they are competitive, the Monitor will conduct and administer an Auction in accordance with the terms of this SISP (the "Auction"). Instructions to participate in the Auction, which will take place via video conferencing, or in person, as determined by the Monitor, and will be provided to Qualified Parties (as defined below) not less than 24 hours prior to the Auction.
- 23. Only parties that provided a Qualified Bid by the Bid Deadline, as confirmed by the Monitor, (collectively, the "Qualified Parties"), shall be eligible to participate in the Auction. No later than 5:00 p.m. (EST) on the day prior to the Auction, each Qualified Party must inform the Monitor whether it intends to participate in the Auction. The Monitor will promptly thereafter inform in writing each Qualified Party who has expressed its intent to participate in the Auction of the identity of all other Qualified Parties that have indicated their intent to participate in the Auction.

#### **Auction Procedure**

- 24. The Auction shall be governed by the following procedures:
  - a. **Participation at the Auction.** Only the Applicants, the Qualified Parties, the Monitor and each of their respective advisors will be entitled to attend the Auction, and only the Qualified Parties will be entitled to make any subsequent Overbids (as defined below) at the Auction. The Monitor shall provide all Qualified Bidders with the details of the lead bid by 5:00 PM (EST) by no later than five (5) days after the Bid Deadline. Each Qualified Bidder must inform the Monitor whether it intends to participate in the Auction no later than 5:00 PM (EST) on the Business Day prior to the Auction;

- b. **No Collusion.** Each Qualified Party participating at the Auction shall be required to confirm on the record at the Auction that: (i) it has not engaged in any collusion with respect to the Auction and the bid process; and (ii) its bid is a good-faith *bona fide* offer and it intends to consummate the proposed transaction if selected as the Successful Bid;
- c. **Minimum Overbid.** The Auction shall begin with the Qualified Bid that represents the highest or otherwise best Qualified Bid as determined by the Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants (the "**Initial Bid**"), and any bid made at the Auction by a Qualified Party subsequent to the Monitors announcement of the Initial Bid (each, an "**Overbid**"), must proceed in minimum additional cash increments of USD \$50,000;
- d. **Bidding Disclosure.** The Auction shall be conducted such that all bids will be made and received in one group video-conference or otherwise, on an open basis, and all Qualified Parties will be entitled to be present for all bidding with the understanding that the true identity of each Qualified Party will be fully disclosed to all other Qualified Parties and that all material terms of each subsequent bid will be fully disclosed to all other Qualified Parties throughout the entire Auction; provided, however, that the Monitor, in its discretion, may establish separate video conference rooms to permit interim discussions between the Monitor and individual Qualified Parties with the understanding that all formal bids will be delivered in one group video conference, on an open basis;
- e. **Bidding Conclusion.** The Auction shall continue in one or more rounds and will conclude after each participating Qualified Party has had the opportunity to submit one or more additional bids with full knowledge and written confirmation of the then-existing highest bid(s);
- f. No Post-Auction Bids. No bids will be considered for any purpose after the Auction has concluded; and
- g. **Auction Procedures.** The Monitor shall be at liberty to set additional procedural rules at the Auction as it sees fit.

#### Selection of Successful Bid

- 25. Before the conclusion of the Auction, the Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants, will:
  - a. review and evaluate each Qualified Bid, considering the factors set out in paragraph 16 and any other factor that the Applicants or the Monitor may reasonably deem relevant, provided that each Qualified Bid may be negotiated among the Monitor in consultation with the Applicants and the Qualified Bidder, and may be amended, modified or varied to improve such Qualified Bid as a result of such negotiations; and

- b. identify the highest or otherwise best bid received at the Auction (the "Successful Bid" and the Qualified Party making such bid, the "Successful Party").
- 26. The Successful Party shall complete and execute all agreements, contracts, instruments or other documents evidencing and containing the terms and conditions upon which the Successful Bid was made within one business day of the Successful Bid being selected as such, unless extended by the Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants, subject to the milestones set forth in paragraph 9.

#### **Sale Approval Motion Hearing**

27. At the hearing of the motion to approve any transaction with a Successful Party (the "Sale Approval Motion"), the Monitor or the Applicants shall seek, among other things, approval from the Court to consummate any Successful Bid. All the Qualified Bids other than the Successful Bid, if any, shall be deemed to be rejected by the Monitor and the Applicants on and as of the date of approval of the Successful Bid by the Court.

#### **Confidentiality and Access to Information**

- 28. All discussions regarding a Sale Proposal, Investment Proposal, or Bid should be directed through the Monitor. Under no circumstances should the management of the Applicants be contacted directly without the prior consent of the Monitor. Any such unauthorized contact or communication could result in exclusion of the interested party from the SISP process.
- 29. Participants and prospective participants in the SISP shall not be permitted to receive any information that is not made generally available to all participants relating to the number or identity of Potential Bidders, Bidders, Qualified Bids, the details of any Bids submitted or the details of any confidential discussions or correspondence between the Applicants, the Monitor and such other bidders or Potential Bidders in connection with the SISP, except to the extent the Applicants, with the approval of the Monitor and consent of the applicable participants, are seeking to combine separate bids from Qualified Bidders.

#### **Supervision of the SISP**

- 30. The Monitor shall oversee and conduct the SISP, in all respects, and, without limitation to that supervisory role, the Monitor will participate in the SISP in the manner set out in this SISP Procedure, the SISP Order, the Initial Order and any other orders of the Court, and is entitled to receive all information in relation to the SISP.
- 31. This SISP does not, and will not be interpreted to create any contractual or other legal relationship between the Applicants or the Monitor and any Potential Bidder, any Qualified Bidder or any other Person, other than as specifically set forth in a definitive agreement that may be entered into with the Applicants.
- 32. Without limiting the preceding paragraph, the Monitor shall not have any liability whatsoever to any person or party, including without limitation any Potential Bidder, Bidder, the Successful Bidder, the Applicants, the DIP Lender, or any other creditor or other stakeholder of the Applicants, for any act or omission related to the process contemplated by this SISP Procedure, except to the extent such act or omission is the result from gross

negligence or willful misconduct of the Monitor. By submitting a bid, each Bidder, or Successful Bidder shall be deemed to have agreed that it has no claim against the Monitor for any reason whatsoever, except to the extent that such claim is the result of gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Monitor.

- 33. Participants in the SISP are responsible for all costs, expenses and liabilities incurred by them in connection with the submission of any Bid, due diligence activities, and any further negotiations or other actions whether or not they lead to the consummation of a Transaction.
- 34. The Monitor, in consultation with the Applicants, shall have the right to modify the SISP Procedure (including, without limitation, pursuant to the Bid process letter) if, in their reasonable business judgment, such modification will enhance the process or better achieve the objectives of the SISP; provided that the Service List in these CCAA proceedings shall be advised of any substantive modification to the procedures set forth herein.

#### **Deposits**

35. All Deposits received pursuant to this SISP shall be held in trust by the Monitor. The Monitor shall hold Deposits paid by each of the Bidders in accordance with the terms outlined in this SISP. In the event that a Deposit is paid pursuant to this SISP and the Monitor elects not to proceed to negotiate and settle the terms and conditions of a definitive agreement with the Person that paid such Deposit, the Monitor shall return the Deposit to that Person. In the event that the Successful Bidder defaults in the payment or performance of any obligations owed to the Monitor or the Applicants pursuant to any Final Agreement, the Deposit paid by the Successful Bidder, as applicable, shall be forfeited as liquidated damages and not as a penalty.

#### Schedule "1"

#### **Address of Monitor**

#### **To the Monitor**:

#### **Deloitte Restructuring Inc.**

8 Adelaide Street West, Suite 200 Toronto, ON, Canada, M5H 0A9

Attention: Jorden Sleeth and Richard Williams

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with a copy to:

#### **Borden Ladner Gervais LLP**

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Attention: Roger Jaipargas

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

AND IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE OR ARRANGEMENT OF SIMEX INC., IWERKS ENTERTAINMENT, INC. SIMEX-IWERKS MYRTLE BEACH, LLC

Court File No.: CV-24-00713128-0000

# ONTARIO SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE – (COMMERCIAL LIST)

Proceeding commenced at Toronto

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THE HONOURABLE —— <u>MADAM</u>	)	WEEKDAY, MONDAY, THE #29TH
JUSTICE —— <u>CONWAY</u>	)	DAY OF MONTH, 20YR JANUARY, 2024

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AND IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE OR ARRANGEMENT OF [APPLICANT'S NAME]SIMEX INC., IWERKS ENTERTAINMENT, INC., SIMEX-IWERKS MYRTLE BEACH, LLC (the "Applicant") "Applicants")

#### AMENDED AND RESTATED INITIAL ORDER

THIS <u>APPLICATION MOTION</u>, made by the <u>Applicant Applicants</u>, pursuant to the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the "CCAA") was heard this day at 330 University Avenue, Toronto, Ontario for an order amending and restating the Initial Order in these proceedings (the "Initial Order") originally issued on January 19, 2024 (the "Initial Filing Date") was heard this day by judicial videoconference via Zoom.

ON READING the affidavitaffidavits of [NAME]Michael Needham sworn [DATE]January 17, 2024 and January 24, 2024 and the Exhibits thereto, and on being advised that the secured creditors who are likely to be affected by the charges created herein were given notice the consent of Deloitte Restructuring Inc. to act as Monitor (in such capacity, the "Monitor"), the pre-filing report of Deloitte Restructuring Inc. in its capacity as the proposed Monitor dated January 18, 2024 and the first report of the Monitor dated January 2024, and on hearing the submissions of counsel for [NAMES], the Applicants, counsel for the Monitor, counsel for Royal Bank of Canada, counsel for BDC Capital Inc. and the other parties listed on

the participant information form and no one appearing for [NAME]<sup>1</sup>any other party although duly served as appears from the affidavit of service of [NAME] Amanda Adamo sworn [DATE] and on reading the consent of [MONITOR'S NAME] to act as the Monitor January 2024,

#### **AMDENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT**

1. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Initial Order shall be amended and restated with this Amended and Restated Order.

#### **SERVICE**

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

#### APPLICATION

2.3. THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES that the Applicant is Applicants are each a company to which the CCAA applies.

#### PLAN OF ARRANGEMENT

3.4. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicant Applicants shall have the authority to file and may, subject to further order of this Court, file with this Court a plan of compromise or arrangement (hereinafter referred to as the "Plan").

<sup>1</sup> Include names of secured creditors or other persons who must be served before certain relief in this model Order may be granted. See, for example, CCAA Sections 11.2(1), 11.3(1), 11.4(1), 11.51(1), 11.52(1), 32(1), 32(3), 33(2) and 36(2).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> If service is effected in a manner other than as authorized by the Ontario *Rules of Civil Procedure*, an order validating irregular service is required pursuant to Rule 16.08 of the *Rules of Civil Procedure* and may be granted in appropriate circumstances.

#### POSSESSION OF PROPERTY AND OPERATIONS

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

5. [THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicant shall be entitled to continue to utilize the central cash management system<sup>3</sup> currently in place as described in the Affidavit of [NAME] sworn [DATE] or replace it with another substantially similar central cash management system (the "Cash Management System") and that any present or future bank providing the Cash Management System shall not be under any obligation whatsoever to inquire into the propriety, validity or legality of any transfer, payment, collection or other action taken under the Cash Management System, or as to the use or application by the Applicant of funds transferred, paid, collected or otherwise dealt with in the Cash Management System, shall be entitled to provide the Cash Management System without any liability in respect thereof to any Person (as hereinafter defined) other than the Applicant, pursuant to the terms of the documentation applicable to the Cash Management System, and shall be, in its capacity as provider of the Cash Management System, an unaffected creditor under the Plan with regard to any claims or expenses it may suffer or incur in connection with the provision of the Cash Management System.]

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This provision should only be utilized where necessary, in view of the fact that central cash management systems often operate in a manner that consolidates the cash of applicant companies. Specific attention should be paid to cross border and inter company transfers of cash.

- 6. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicant THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants shall be entitled but not required to pay the following expenses whether incurred prior to or after this Order the Initial Filing Date:
- (a) all outstanding and future wages, salaries, employee and pension benefits, vacation pay and expenses payable on or after the date of this Order Initial Filing Date, in each case incurred in the ordinary course of business and consistent with existing compensation policies and arrangements; and
- (b) the fees and disbursements of any Assistants retained or employed by the Applicant Applicants in respect of these proceedings, at their standard rates and charges.
- 7. THIS COURT ORDERS that, except as otherwise provided to the contrary herein, the Applicants shall be entitled but not required to pay all reasonable expenses incurred by the Applicants in carrying on the Business in the ordinary course after this Orderthe Initial Filing Date, and in carrying out the provisions of this Order, which expenses shall include, without limitation:
- (a) all expenses and capital expenditures reasonably necessary for the preservation of the Property or the Business including, without limitation, payments on account of insurance (including directors and officers insurance), maintenance and security services; and
- (b) payment for goods or services actually supplied to the Applicant Applicant following the date of this Order Initial Filing Date.
- 8. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants shall remit, in accordance with legal requirements, or pay:
- (a) any statutory deemed trust amounts in favour of the Crown in right of Canada or of any Province thereof or any other taxation authority which are required to be deducted from employees' wages, including, without limitation, amounts in respect of (i) employment insurance, (ii) Canada Pension Plan, (iii) Quebec Pension Plan, and (iv) income taxes;
- (b) all goods and services or other applicable sales taxes (collectively, "Sales Taxes") required to be remitted by the ApplicantApplicants in connection with the sale of goods

and services by the ApplicantApplicants, but only where such Sales Taxes are accrued or collected after the date of this OrderInitial Filing Date, or where such Sales Taxes were accrued or collected prior to the date of this OrderInitial Filing Date but not required to be remitted until on or after the date of this OrderInitial Filing Date, and

- (c) any amount payable to the Crown in right of Canada or of any Province thereof or any political subdivision thereof or any other taxation authority in respect of municipal realty, municipal business or other taxes, assessments or levies of any nature or kind which are entitled at law to be paid in priority to claims of secured creditors and which are attributable to or in respect of the carrying on of the Business by the ApplicantApplicants.
- 9. THIS COURT ORDERS that until a real property lease is disclaimed [or resiliated]<sup>4</sup>-in accordance with the CCAA, the Applicants shall pay all amounts constituting rent or payable as rent under real property leases (including, for greater certainty, common area maintenance charges, utilities and realty taxes and any other amounts payable to the landlord under the lease) but for greater certainty excluding accelerated rent or penalties, fees or other charges arising as a result of the insolvency of the Applicants or the making of this Order or as otherwise may be negotiated between the Applicant and the landlord from time to time ("Rent"), for the period commencing from and including the date of this Order Initial Filing Date, twicemonthly in equal payments on the first and fifteenth day of each month, in advance (but not in arrears). On the date of the first of such payments, any Rent relating to the period commencing from and including the date of this Order Initial Filing Date shall also be paid.
- 10. THIS COURT ORDERS that, except as specifically permitted herein, the Applicant is Applicants are hereby directed, until further Order of this Court: (a) to make no payments of principal, interest thereon or otherwise on account of amounts owing by the Applicant to any of its creditors as of this date the Initial Filing Date; (b) to grant no security interests, trust, liens, charges or encumbrances upon or in respect of any of its Property; and (c) to not grant credit or incur liabilities except in the ordinary course of the Business.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The term "resiliate" should remain if there are leased premises in the Province of Quebec, but can otherwise be removed.

#### RESTRUCTURING

- 11. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicant Applicants shall, subject to such requirements as are imposed by the CCAA and such covenants as may be contained in the Definitive Documents (as hereinafter defined), have the right to:
- (a) permanently or temporarily cease, downsize or shut down any of its business or operations, [and to dispose of redundant or non-material assets not exceeding \$• in any one transaction or \$• in the aggregate]<sup>5</sup>;
- (b) [terminate the employment of such of its their employees or temporarily lay off such of its employees as it they deems appropriate]; and
- (c) pursue all avenues of refinancing of its Business or Property, in whole or part, subject to prior approval of this Court being obtained before any material refinancing,

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

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>-Section 36 of the amended CCAA does not seem to contemplate a pre-approved power to sell (see subsection 36(3)) and moreover requires notice (subsection 36(2)) and evidence (subsection 36(7)) that may not have occurred or be available at the initial CCAA hearing.

required to pay Rent under such lease pending resolution of any such dispute (other than Rent payable for the notice period provided for in Section 32(5) of the CCAA), and the disclaimer **[or resiliation]** of the lease shall be without prejudice to the Applicant's Applicants' claim to the fixtures in dispute.

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

### NO PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE APPLICANT OR THE PROPERTY

14. THIS COURT ORDERS that until and including [DATE MAX. 30 DAYS], May 3, 2024, or such later date as this Court may order (the "Stay Period"), no proceeding or enforcement process in any court or tribunal (each, a "Proceeding") shall be commenced or continued against or in respect of the Applicant or the Monitor, or affecting the Business or the Property, except with the written consent of the Applicant and the Monitor, or with leave of this Court, and any and all Proceedings currently under way against or in respect of the Applicant or affecting the Business or the Property are hereby stayed and suspended pending further Order of this Court.

#### NO EXERCISE OF RIGHTS OR REMEDIES

15. THIS COURT ORDERS that during the Stay Period, all rights and remedies of any individual, firm, corporation, governmental body or agency, or any other entities (all of the foregoing, collectively being "Persons" and each being a "Person") against or in respect of the <a href="https://documents.com/Applicants">Applicants</a> or the Monitor, or affecting the Business or the Property, are hereby stayed and suspended except with the written consent of the <a href="https://documents.com/Applicants">Applicants</a> and the Monitor, or

leave of this Court, provided that nothing in this Order shall (i) empower thean Applicant to carry on any business which the such Applicant is not lawfully entitled to carry on, (ii) affect such investigations, actions, suits or proceedings by a regulatory body as are permitted by Section 11.1 of the CCAA, (iii) prevent the filing of any registration to preserve or perfect a security interest, or (iv) prevent the registration of a claim for lien.

#### NO INTERFERENCE WITH RIGHTS

16. THIS COURT ORDERS that during the Stay Period, no Person shall discontinue, fail to honour, alter, interfere with, repudiate, terminate or cease to perform any right, renewal right, contract, agreement, <a href="lease">lease</a>, <a href="lease</a>, <a href="lea

#### CONTINUATION OF SERVICES

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

#### NON-DEROGATION OF RIGHTS

18. THIS COURT ORDERS that, notwithstanding anything else in this Order, no Person shall be prohibited from requiring immediate payment for goods, services, use of leaseleased or

Filing Date, nor shall any Person be under any obligation on or after the date of this Order to advance or re-advance any monies or otherwise extend any credit to the Applicant Applicants. Nothing in this Order shall derogate from the rights conferred and obligations imposed by the CCAA.

#### PROCEEDINGS AGAINST DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

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

#### DIRECTORS' AND OFFICERS' INDEMNIFICATION AND CHARGE

20. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants shall indemnify its their directors and officers against obligations and liabilities that they may incur as directors or officers of the Applicant Applicants after the commencement of the within proceedings, except to the extent that, with respect to any officer or director, the obligation or liability was incurred as a result of the director's or officer's gross negligence or wilful misconduct. (the "D&O Indemnity").

<sup>6</sup> This non-derogation provision has acquired more significance due to the recent amendments to the CCAA, since a number of actions or steps cannot be stayed, or the stay is subject to certain limits and restrictions. See, for example, CCAA Sections 11.01, 11.04, 11.06, 11.07, 11.08, 11.1(2) and 11.5(1).

<sup>7</sup> The broad indemnity language from Section 11.51 of the CCAA has been imported into this paragraph. The granting of the indemnity (whether or not secured by a Directors' Charge), and the scope of the indemnity, are discretionary matters that should be addressed with the Court.

- 21. THIS COURT ORDERS that the directors and officers of the Applicant Applicants shall be entitled to the benefit of and are hereby granted a charge (the "Directors' Charge") on the Property, which charge shall not exceed an aggregate amount of \$\\_\tau\_USD \\$300,000, as security for the indemnity provided in paragraph [20] of this Order. The Directors' Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs [38]39 and [40]41 herein.
- 22. THIS COURT ORDERS that, notwithstanding any language in any applicable insurance policy to the contrary, (a) no insurer shall be entitled to be subrogated to or claim the benefit of the Directors' Charge, and (b) the Applicant's Applicants' directors and officers shall only be entitled to the benefit of the Directors' Charge to the extent that they do not have coverage under any directors' and officers' insurance policy, or to the extent that such coverage is insufficient to pay amounts indemnified in accordance with paragraph {20} of this Order.

#### APPOINTMENT OF MONITOR

- 23. THIS COURT ORDERS that [MONITOR'S NAME] Deloitte Restructuring Inc. is hereby appointed pursuant to the CCAA as the Monitor, an officer of this Court, to monitor the business and financial affairs of the Applicant Applicants with the powers and obligations set out in the CCAA or set forth herein and that the Applicant and itstheir shareholders, officers, directors, and Assistants shall advise the Monitor of all material steps taken by the Applicant Applicants pursuant to this Order, and shall co-operate fully with the Monitor in the exercise of its powers and discharge of its obligations and provide the Monitor with the assistance that is necessary to enable the Monitor to adequately carry out the Monitor's functions.
- 24. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor, in addition to its prescribed rights and obligations under the CCAA, is hereby directed and empowered to:
- monitor the Applicant's Applicants' receipts and disbursements; (a)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Section 11.51(3) provides that the Court may not make this security/charging order if in the Court's opinion the Applicant could obtain adequate indemnification insurance for the director or officer at a reasonable cost.

- (b) report to this Court at such times and intervals as the Monitor may deem appropriate with respect to matters relating to the Property, the Business, and such other matters as may be relevant to the proceedings herein;
- (c) assist the ApplicantApplicants, to the extent required by the ApplicantApplicants, in <a href="itstheir">itstheir</a> dissemination, to the DIP Lender and its counsel on a [TIME INTERVAL] basis of financial and other information as agreed to between the ApplicantApplicants and the DIP Lender which may be used in these proceedings including reporting on a basis to be agreed with the DIP Lender;
- (d) advise the Applicant Applicants in its their preparation of the Applicant's Applicants' cash flow statements and reporting required by the DIP Lender, which information shall be reviewed with the Monitor and delivered to the DIP Lender and its counsel on a periodic basis, but not less than [TIME INTERVAL], weekly, or as otherwise agreed to by the DIP Lender;
- (e) advise the Applicants in its their development of the Plan and any amendments to the Plan;
- (f) assist the ApplicantApplicants, to the extent required by the ApplicantApplicants, with the holding and administering of creditors' or shareholders' meetings for voting on the Plan;
- (g) have full and complete access to the Property, including the premises, books, records, data, including data in electronic form, and other financial documents of the <u>ApplicantApplicants</u>, to the extent that is necessary to adequately assess the <u>Applicant's Applicants'</u> business and financial affairs or to perform its duties arising under this Order;
- (h) be at liberty to engage independent legal counsel or such other persons as the Monitor deems necessary or advisable respecting the exercise of its powers and performance of its obligations under this Order; and
- (i) perform such other duties as are required by this Order or by this Court from time to time.

- 25. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor shall not take possession of the Property and shall take no part whatsoever in the management or supervision of the management of the Business and shall not, by fulfilling its obligations hereunder, be deemed to have taken or maintained possession or control of the Business or Property, or any part thereof.
- 26. THIS COURT ORDERS that nothing herein contained shall require the Monitor to occupy or to take control, care, charge, possession or management (separately and/or collectively, "Possession") of any of the Property that might be environmentally contaminated, might be a pollutant or a contaminant, or might cause or contribute to a spill, discharge, release or deposit of a substance contrary to any federal, provincial or other law respecting the protection, conservation, enhancement, remediation or rehabilitation of the environment or relating to the disposal of waste or other contamination including, without limitation, the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, the Ontario Environmental Protection Act, the Ontario Water Resources Act, or the Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act and regulations thereunder (the "Environmental Legislation"), provided however that nothing herein shall exempt the Monitor from any duty to report or make disclosure imposed by applicable Environmental Legislation. The Monitor shall not, as a result of this Order or anything done in pursuance of the Monitor's duties and powers under this Order, be deemed to be in Possession of any of the Property within the meaning of any Environmental Legislation, unless it is actually in possession.
- 27. THIS COURT ORDERS that that the Monitor shall provide any creditor of the Applicants and the DIP Lender with information provided by the ApplicantApplicants in response to reasonable requests for information made in writing by such creditor addressed to the Monitor. The Monitor shall not have any responsibility or liability with respect to the information disseminated by it pursuant to this paragraph. In the case of information that the Monitor has been advised by the ApplicantApplicants is confidential, the Monitor shall not provide such information to creditors unless otherwise directed by this Court or on such terms as the Monitor and the ApplicantApplicants may agree.
- 28. THIS COURT ORDERS that, in addition to the rights and protections afforded the Monitor under the CCAA or as an officer of this Court, the Monitor shall incur no liability or obligation as a result of its appointment or the carrying out of the provisions of this Order, save

and except for any gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part. Nothing in this Order shall derogate from the protections afforded the Monitor by the CCAA or any applicable legislation.

- 29. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor, counsel to the Monitor and counsel to the Applicant shall be paid their reasonable fees and disbursements, in each case at their standard rates and charges, by the Applicant as part of the costs of these proceedings. The Applicant is Applicants are hereby authorized and directed to pay the accounts of the Monitor, counsel for the Monitor and counsel for the Applicant on a [TIME INTERVAL] basis and, in addition, the Applicant is hereby authorized to pay to the Monitor, counsel to the Monitor, and counsel to the Applicant, retainers in the amount[s] of \$• [, respectively,] to be held by them as security for payment of their respective fees and disbursements outstanding from time to time Applicants on a bi-weekly basis.
- 30. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor and its legal counsel shall pass their accounts from time to time, and for this purpose the accounts of the Monitor and its legal counsel are hereby referred to a judge of the Commercial List of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice.
- 31. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor, counsel to the Monitor, if any US counsel to the Monitor, and the Applicant's Applicants' counsel shall be entitled to the benefit of and are hereby granted a charge (the "Administration Charge") on the Property, which charge shall not exceed an aggregate amount of \$\\_\structure{3}USD \$500,000, as security for their professional fees and disbursements incurred at the standard rates and charges of the Monitor and such counsel, both before and after the making of this Order in respect of these proceedings. The Administration Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs \$\frac{1}{3}8\frac{1}{4}\$ and \$\frac{1}{4}0\frac{1}{4}\$ hereof.

#### **DIP FINANCING**

32. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicant is hereby authorized and empowered to obtain and borrow under a credit facility from [DIP LENDER'S NAME]Royal Bank of Canada (the "DIP Lender") in order to finance the Applicant's Applicants' working capital requirements and other general corporate purposes and capital expenditures, provided that borrowings under such credit facility shall not exceed \$\circ\$ the principal amount of USD \$600,000 unless permitted by further Order of this Court.

- 33. THIS COURT ORDERS THAT such credit facility shall be on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the commitment letter term sheet between the Applicant Applicant and the DIP Lender dated as of [DATE] (the ""Commitment Letter"); "), filed.
- 34. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicant is Applicants are hereby authorized and empowered to execute and deliver such credit agreements, mortgages, charges, hypothecs and security documents, guarantees and other definitive documents (collectively, the "-Definitive Documents"), as are contemplated by the Commitment Letter or as may be reasonably required by the DIP Lender pursuant to the terms thereof, and the Applicant is Applicants are hereby authorized and directed to pay and perform all of its indebtedness, interest, fees, liabilities and obligations to the DIP Lender under and pursuant to the Commitment Letter and the Definitive Documents as and when the same become due and are to be performed, notwithstanding any other provision of this Order.
- 35. THIS COURT ORDERS that the DIP Lender shall be entitled to the benefit of and is hereby granted a charge (the ""DIP Lender's Charge")" on the Property, which DIP Lender's Charge shall not secure an obligation that exists before this Order is made. The DIP Lender's Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs [38] and [40] hereof.
- 36. THIS COURT ORDERS that, notwithstanding any other provision of this Order:
- (a) the DIP Lender may take such steps from time to time as it may deem necessary or appropriate to file, register, record or perfect the DIP Lender's Charge or any of the Definitive Documents;
- (b) upon the occurrence of an event of default under the Definitive Documents or the DIP Lender's Charge, the DIP Lender, upon ◆two (2) days notice to the Applicant and the Monitor, may exercise any and all of its rights and remedies against the ApplicantApplicants or the Property under or pursuant to the Commitment Letter, Definitive Documents and the DIP Lender's Charge, including without limitation, to cease making advances to the ApplicantApplicants and set off and/or consolidate any amounts owing by the DIP Lender to the ApplicantApplicants against the obligations of the Applicant to the DIP Lender under the Commitment Letter, the Definitive Documents or the DIP Lender's Charge, to make demand, accelerate payment and give other notices,

or to apply to this Court for the appointment of a receiver, receiver and manager or interim receiver, or for a bankruptcy order against the <u>ApplicantApplicants</u> and for the appointment of a trustee in bankruptcy of <u>any of the ApplicantApplicants</u>; and

- (c) the foregoing rights and remedies of the DIP Lender shall be enforceable against any trustee in bankruptcy, interim receiver, receiver or receiver and manager of the <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/nc.2007/nc.
- 37. THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES that the DIP Lender shall be treated as unaffected in any plan of arrangement or compromise filed by the Applicant under the CCAA, or any proposal filed by the Applicant under the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act of Canada (the "BIA"), with respect to any advances made under the Definitive Documents.

#### VALIDITY AND PRIORITY OF CHARGES CREATED BY THIS ORDER

38. THIS COURT ORDERS that the priorities of the Directors' Charge, the Administration Charge and the DIP Lender's Charge, as among them, shall be as follows<sup>9</sup>:

First – Administration Charge (to the maximum amount of \$●);USD \$500,000);

Second – DIP Lender's Charge (to a maximum principal amount of USD \$600,000; and

Third – Directors' Charge (to the maximum amount of \$→). USD \$300,000).

39. THIS COURT ORDERS that the filing, registration or perfection of the Directors' Charge, the Administration Charge or the DIP Lender's Charge (collectively, the "Charges") shall not be required, and that the Charges shall be valid and enforceable for all purposes, including as against any right, title or interest filed, registered, recorded or perfected subsequent

<sup>9</sup> The ranking of these Charges is for illustration purposes only, and is not meant to be determinative. This ranking

(and the rankings, above), where appropriate.

may be subject to negotiation, and should be tailored to the circumstances of the case before the Court. Similarly, the quantum and caps applicable to the Charges should be considered in each case. Please also note that the CCAA now permits Charges in favour of critical suppliers and others, which should also be incorporated into this Order

to the Charges coming into existence, notwithstanding any such failure to file, register, record or perfect.

- 40. THIS COURT ORDERS that each of the Directors' Charge, the Administration Charge and the DIP Lender's Charge (all as constituted and defined herein) Charges shall constitute a charge on the Property and such Charges shall rank in priority to all other security interests, trusts, liens, charges and encumbrances, claims of secured creditors, statutory or otherwise (collectively, "Encumbrances") in favour of any Person, notwithstanding the order of perfection or attachment.
- 41. THIS COURT ORDERS that except as otherwise expressly provided for herein, or as may be approved by this Court, the <u>ApplicantApplicants</u> shall not grant any Encumbrances over any Property that rank in priority to, or *pari passu* with, any of the Directors' Charge, the Administration Charge or the DIP Lender's Charge, unless the <u>ApplicantApplicants</u> also obtains the obtain prior written consent of the Monitor, the DIP Lender and the beneficiaries of the Directors' Charge and the Administration Charge, or further Order of this Court.
- 42. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Directors' Charge, the Administration Charge, the Commitment Letter, the Definitive Documents and the DIP Lender's Charge Charges shall not be rendered invalid or unenforceable and the rights and remedies of the chargees entitled to the benefit of the Charges (collectively, the "Chargees") and/or the DIP Lender thereunder shall not otherwise be limited or impaired in any way by (a) the pendency of these proceedings and the declarations of insolvency made herein; (b) any application(s) for bankruptcy order(s) issued pursuant to the BIA, or any bankruptcy order made pursuant to such applications; (c) the filing of any assignments for the general benefit of creditors made pursuant to the BIA; (d) the provisions of any federal or provincial statutes; or (e) any negative covenants, prohibitions or other similar provisions with respect to borrowings, incurring debt or the creation of Encumbrances, contained in any existing loan documents, lease, sublease, offer to lease or other agreement (collectively, an "Agreement") which binds the ApplicantApplicants, and notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in any Agreement:
- (a) neither the creation of the Charges nor the execution, delivery, perfection, registration or performance of the Commitment Letter or the Definitive Documents shall create or be

- deemed to constitute a breach by the Applicant of any Agreement to which it is a party;
- (b) none of the Chargees shall have any liability to any Person whatsoever as a result of any breach of any Agreement caused by or resulting from the <a href="https://Applicants.org/Applicants">Applicants</a> entering into the Commitment Letter, the creation of the Charges, or the execution, delivery or performance of the Definitive Documents; and
- (c) the payments made by the Applicant pursuant to this Order, the Commitment Letter or the Definitive Documents, and the granting of the Charges, do not and will not constitute preferences, fraudulent conveyances, transfers at undervalue, oppressive conduct, or other challengeable or voidable transactions under any applicable law.
- 43. THIS COURT ORDERS that any Charge created by this Order over leases of real property in Canada shall only be a Charge in the Applicant's interest in such real property leases.

### SALE AND INVESTMENT SOLICITATION PROCESS

- 44. THIS COURT ORDERS that the sale and investment solicitation process appended hereto as **Schedule "A"** (the "**SISP**") (subject to any amendments thereto that may be made in accordance with the terms thereof and with this Order) be and is hereby approved and the Applicants and the Monitor are hereby authorized and directed to carry out the SISP in accordance with its terms and the terms of this Order.
- 45. THIS COURT ORDERS that Applicants and the Monitor are hereby further authorized and directed to take such steps as each considers necessary or desirable in carrying our each of the respective obligations under the SISP, subject to the prior approval of this Court being obtained before the completion of any transition(s) under the SISP.
- 46. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants and the Monitor and their respective affiliates, partners, directors, officers, employees, advisors, agents and representatives shall have no liability with respect to any and all losses, claims, damages or liabilities of any nature or kind to any person in connection with or as a result of performing their duties under the SISP, except

to the extent of such losses, claims, damages or liabilities arising or resulting form the gross negligence of wilful misconduct of the Applicants or the Monitor, as applicable, as determined by the Court.

47. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants and Monitor may apply to this Cout for advice and directions with respect to the SISP at any time.

### **PIPEDA**

48. THIS COURT ORDERS that, pursuant to clause 7(3)(c) of the Canada *Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act*, the Applicants and the Monitor may disclose personal information of identifiable individuals to prospective purchasers or bidders for the Property and to their advisors, but only to the extent desirable or required to carry out the SISP and to attempt to complete a transaction or transactions pursuant to the SISP (each, a "Transaction"). Each prospective purchaser, bidder or investor to whom such personal information is disclosed shall maintain and protect the privacy of such information and limit the use of such information to its evaluation of the Transaction, and if it does not complete a Transaction, shall return all such information to the Applicants, or in the alternative destroy all such information. The purchaser, bidder or investor in any Transactions shall be entitled to continue to use the personal information provided to it, and related to the Property involved in the Transaction, in a manner which is in all material respects identical to the prior use of such information by the Applicants, and shall return all other personal information to the Applicants, or ensure that all other personal information is destroyed.

#### **SERVICE AND NOTICE**

44.49. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor shall (i) without delay, publish in [newspapers specified by the Court]the National Post (National Edition) a notice containing the information prescribed under the CCAA, (ii) within five days after the date of this OrderInitial Filing Date, (A) make this Order publicly available in the manner prescribed under the CCAA, (B) send, in the prescribed manner, a notice to every known creditor who has a claim against the ApplicantApplicants of more than \$10001,000, and (C) prepare a list showing the names and addresses of those creditors and the estimated amounts of those claims, and make it publicly

available in the prescribed manner, all in accordance with Section 23(1)(a) of the CCAA and the regulations made thereunder.

THIS COURT ORDERS that the E-Service Protocol of the Guide Concerning Commercial List E-Service (the "Protocol "Guide") is approved and adopted by reference herein and, in this proceeding, the service of documents made in accordance with the Protocol Guide (which he found the Commercial List website can on at http://www.ontariocourts.ca/scj/practice/practice-directions/toronto/e-serviceprotocol/)https://www.ontariocourts.ca/scj/practice/regional-practice-directions/eservicecommercial/) shall be valid and effective service. -Subject to Rule 17.05 of the Rules of Civil Procedure (Ontario) and paragraph 7 of the Guide, this Order shall constitute an order for substituted service pursuant to Rule 16.04 of the Rules of Civil Procedure. Subject to Rule 3.01(d) and paragraph 13 of the Rules of Civil Procedure and paragraph 21 of the Protocol Guide, service of documents in accordance with the **Protocol**Guide will be effective on transmission. This Court further orders that a Case Website shall be established in accordance with the ProtocolGuide with the following URL 'www.insolvencies.deloitte.ca/en-ca/SimEx.

45.51. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Monitor shall create, maintain and update as necessary a list of all Persons appearing in person or by counsel in these proceedings (the "Service List"). The Monitor shall post the Service List, as may be updated from time to time, on the Case Website, provided that the Monitor shall have no liability in respect of the accuracy of or the timeliness of making any changes to the Service List.

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

53. THIS COURT ORDERS that the Applicants, the Monitor and their respective counsel are at liberty to serve or distribute this Order, any other materials and Orders as may be reasonably required in these proceedings, including any notices, or other correspondence, by forwarding true copies thereof by electronic message to the Applicants' creditors or other interested parties and their advisors. For greater certainty, any such distribution or service shall be deemed to be in satisfaction of a legal or juridical obligation and notice requirements within the meaning of clause 3(c) of the Electronic Commerce Protection Regulations, Reg. 81000-2-175 (SOR/DORS).

#### **GENERAL**

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

48.55. THIS COURT ORDERS that nothing in this Order shall prevent the Monitor from acting as an interim receiver, a receiver, a receiver and manager, or a trustee in bankruptcy of the <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/j.com/Applicants">Applicants</a>, the Business or the Property.

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

50.57. THIS COURT ORDERS that each of the Applicant Applicants and the Monitor be at liberty and is hereby authorized and empowered to apply to any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body, wherever located, for the recognition of this Order and for assistance in carrying out the terms of this Order, and that the Monitor is authorized and empowered to act as a representative in respect of the within proceedings for the purpose of having these proceedings

recognized in a jurisdiction outside Canada any jurisdiction outside Canada, including acting as a foreign representative of the Applicants to apply to the United States Bankruptcy Court for relief pursuant to Chapter 15 of the United States Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101-1530, as amended.

51.58. THIS COURT ORDERS that any interested party (including the Applicant and the Monitor) may apply to this Court to vary or amend this Order at the Comeback Hearing, or at any other time, on not less than seven (7) daysdays' notice to any other party or parties likely to be affected by the order sought or upon such other notice, if any, as this Court may order; provided that the Chargees shall be entitled to rely on this Order as granted and on the Charges and priorities set forth in paragraphs 38 and 40 hereof, and subject to the limitations in paragraph 44, with respect to any fees, expenses and disbursements (including amounts loaned to the Applicant pursuant to the Commitment Letter) incurred as applicable, until the date this Order may be amended, varied or stayed.

52.59. THIS COURT ORDERS that this Order and all of its provisions are effective as of 12:01 a.m. Eastern Standard/Daylight Time on the date of this Order: without any requirement for issuance and entry.

# SISP TERMS AND CONDITOINS

[see attached]

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