

CANADA  
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC  
DISTRICT OF MONTREAL

SUPERIOR COURT  
COMMERCIAL DIVISION

(Sitting as a court designated pursuant to the  
*Companies' Creditors' Arrangement Act*, R.S.C.  
1985, c. C-36)

N°: 500-11-047563-149

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPROMISE OR  
ARRANGEMENT OF:

GRADEK ENERGY INC.

and

GRADEK ENERGY CANADA INC.

Petitioners

and

R H S T DEVELOPMENT INC.

and

THOMAS GRADEK

Mis en cause

and

SAMSON BÉLAIR/DELOITTE & TOUCHE INC.

Monitor

MOTION FOR A NINTH ORDER EXTENDING THE STAY PERIOD  
(Sections 9 and 11 of the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*  
(R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36)

TO THE HONOURABLE JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT, SITTING IN COMMERCIAL  
DIVISION, IN AND FOR THE JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF MONTRÉAL, THE PETITIONERS  
RESPECTFULLY SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING:

I. INTRODUCTION

1. On October 15, 2014, the Honourable Jean-Yves Lalonde issued an order, as amended and restated from time to time, (the "**Initial Order**") pursuant to the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* (the "**CCAA**") in respect of Gradek Energy Inc. and Gradek Energy Canada Inc. ("**GEI**" and "**GEC**", and, collectively, "**Gradek Energy**"), as appears from the Court record;

2. Pursuant to the Initial Order, Samson Bélair/Deloitte & Touche Inc. (the “**Monitor**”) was appointed monitor of Gradek Energy and a stay of proceedings (the “**Stay of Proceedings**”) was issued from the date of the Initial Order until November 13, 2014, and was extended on November 11, 2014 to December 19, 2014, on December 17, 2014 to January 16, 2015, on January 16, 2015 to January 27, 2015, on January 27, 2015 to March 19, 2015, on March 19, 2015 to April 2, 2015, on April 2, 2015 to April 17, 2015, on April 17, 2015 to May 14, 2015 and on May 14, 2015 to July 10, 2015 (the “**Stay Period**”);
3. In addition to protecting Gradek Energy, the Stay of Proceedings also extends to the Mis en cause R H S T Development Inc. and Thomas Gradek, who are not debtors in these proceedings but who, as holders of the intellectual property rights of the Re-usable Hydrocarbon Sorbent (“**RHS**”) technology, form an integral part of this restructuring effort (collectively with Gradek Energy, the “**Gradek Parties**”);
4. On February 4, 2015, the Honourable Jean-Yves Lalonde issued a Claims Procedure Order soliciting the filing of claims against Gradek Energy, the Mis en cause and their officers and directors before 5 p.m. on March 16, 2015 (the “**Bar Date**”);
5. The Gradek Parties respectfully request that this Honourable Court extend the Stay Period until August 21, 2015 for the reasons set forth below;

## II. EXTENSION OF THE STAY OF PROCEEDINGS

6. Since the issuance of the Initial Order, Gradek Energy has acted, and continues to act, in good faith and with due diligence;
7. Gradek Energy has made and continues to make significant efforts to stabilize its business and address the concerns of all stakeholders in accordance with its proposed course of action, which provides for:
  - (a) the completion of the development of the RHS technology so that it can be brought to the market;
  - (b) the identification and attraction of new investors; and
  - (c) the submission of a plan of arrangement acceptable to its creditors;
8. Having secured both an agreement with its main secured creditor, Dundee Corporation, in respect of its capital structure (the “**Dundee Settlement**”), and having more recently concluded a letter of interest (“**LOI**”) with a major environmental solution provider operating, *inter alia*, in the oil industry (the “**ESP**”), in an effort to bring the RHS technology to market, Gradek Energy launched an investment and financing solicitation process on June 8, 2015, with the assistance of the Monitor (the “**Solicitation Process**”), with the objective of presenting a plan of arrangement to its creditors in the best interest of all its stakeholders;
9. Gradek Energy had good reasons to believe that the investment and/or financing solicitation process would fare better than the spring 2013 and spring 2014 attempts made prior to the commencement of these CCAA proceedings, considering:
  - (a) the presence of a new management team;

- (b) the existence of a new business model;
  - (c) the support of the Interim Lenders (as defined in the Initial Order which have agreed to convert debt owed into equity);
  - (d) the Dundee Settlement; and
  - (e) the conclusion of the LOI with the ESP;
10. In the context of the Solicitation Process, Gradek and the Monitor identified 82 potential investors, and managed to reach over 90% of them;
  11. Considering the current difficult market conditions, a substantial number of the potential investors reached declined to enter into discussions. Ultimately, only one non-disclosure agreement was entered into, but the ensuing discussions did not come to fruition;
  12. The principal comments heard from the potential investors during the Solicitation Process were that Gradek Energy is still too far away in time from turning a positive cash flow and that the asking price was too high;
  13. Gradek Energy has thus recently entered into serious discussions with a manufacturer of equipment operating within the industry (the "**Manufacturer**") with the objective of forming a partnership to reduce its capital cost, thereby reducing both the delay expected to turn a positive cash flow and the amount of capital that needs to be raised;
  14. Gradek Energy and the Manufacturer estimate that the process to reduce the capital cost would require a month or so;
  15. In parallel to the discussions undertaken with the Manufacturer, Gradek Energy and the Monitor intend to contact a certain number of auctioneers to provide for the contingency of a liquidation at the end of the Stay Period;
  16. This essentially leaves open three possible scenarios, namely that:
    - (a) A deal is entered into with the Manufacturer such that a further attempt at a capital raise can be made;
    - (b) An offer is received from one of the auctioneers to the satisfaction of the Interim Lenders;
    - (c) The Interim Lenders decide to take the assets for themselves;
  17. The Monitor has indicated that it is of the opinion that no dividend would be available to unsecured creditors in the context of bankruptcy and liquidation;
  18. The extension of the Stay Period is necessary in order to provide Gradek Energy with an adequate period of time to negotiate with the Manufacturer and solicit further capital, in order to have to have a plan of arrangement approved by its creditors and sanctioned by the Court. It is anticipated that the requested extension of the Stay Period to August 21, 2015 will afford Gradek Energy an adequate period of time to make material progress towards that objective;

19. Gradek Energy is of the view that no creditor will suffer any undue prejudice from the requested extension of the Stay Period and that the extension sought is appropriate in the present circumstances;
20. The Monitor has indicated that it agrees with Gradek Energy, on the basis of the cash flow forecast to be included in the Monitor's Tenth Report, and that it supports the conclusions of the present motion;
21. The Gradek Parties respectfully request that this Honourable Court extend the Stay Period to August 21, 2015;

**WHEREFORE, MAY THIS COURT:**

**GRANT** the present Motion;

**EXTEND** the Stay Period to August 21, 2015;

**DECLARE** that the notices given of the presentation of the present Motion are proper and sufficient;

**ORDER** the provisional execution of the Order to be rendered notwithstanding any appeal and without the necessity of furnishing any security.

**WITHOUT COSTS**, save and except in case of contestation.

MONTREAL, July 2, 2015

  
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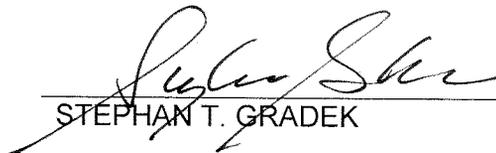
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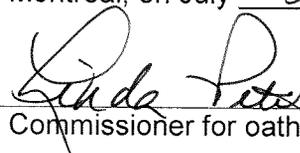
I, the undersigned, STEPHAN T. GRADEK, having a place of business at 162 Brunswick Blvd., Pointe-Claire, Québec, H9R 5P9, solemnly declare the following:

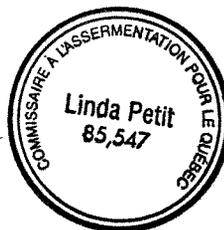
1. I am an authorized representative of Gradek Energy;
2. All the facts alleged in the *Motion for an Ninth Order Extending the Stay Period* under sections 9 and 11 of the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* are true.

AND I HAVE SIGNED

  
STEPHAN T. GRADEK

Solemnly Affirmed before me in  
Montreal, on July 2, 2015

 #85,547  
Commissioner for oaths for Québec



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**NOTICE OF PRESENTATION**

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TO: the Service List

Take notice that the present *Motion for a Ninth Order Extending the Stay Period* under sections 9 and 11 of the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* will be presented before the Superior Court, sitting in bankruptcy and insolvency matters, on July 6, 2015 at Montréal Courthouse, located at 1 Notre-Dame St. East, Montréal, H2Y 1B6, in a room and at a time to be determined.

DO GOVERN YOURSELVES ACCORDINGLY.

MONTRÉAL, July 2, 2015



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