
UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)
March 7, 2024



MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED

(Exact Name Of Registrant As Specified In Its Charter)

Delaware
(State or other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

0-21184
(Commission
File No.)

86-0629024
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

2355 West Chandler Boulevard, Chandler, Arizona 85224-6199
(Address of Principal Executive Offices, Including Zip Code)

(480) 792-7200
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	MCHP	NASDAQ Stock Market LLC (Nasdaq Global Select Market)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company ☐

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On March 7, 2024, Microchip Technology Incorporated, a Delaware corporation (the “Company”), issued \$1,000,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 5.050% Senior Notes due 2029 (the “Notes”) in a public offering. The Notes are guaranteed by the Subsidiary Guarantors (as defined below) and were offered and sold pursuant to the Company’s shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-277512) (the “Registration Statement”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), on February 29, 2024. The net proceeds from the sale of the Notes were approximately \$994,730,000 after deducting the underwriters’ discount but before other expenses and will be used for the repayment of a portion of the debt outstanding under the Company’s commercial paper program and the payment of fees and expenses related to the offering of the Notes.

The Notes are governed by the Indenture, dated as of February 29, 2024 (the “Base Indenture”), between the Company and Computershare Trust Company, National Association, as trustee (the “Trustee”), as supplemented by the First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 7, 2024, between the Company, certain subsidiaries of the Company, as guarantors (the “Subsidiary Guarantors”) and the Trustee (the “Supplemental Indenture” and, together with the Base Indenture, the “Indenture”).

The Notes will accrue interest from March 7, 2024 and will mature on March 15, 2029. Interest on the Notes will be payable semi-annually in arrears on March 15 and September 15 of each year, beginning on September 15, 2024.

Prior to February 15, 2029 (the “par call date”), the Company may redeem the Notes at the Company’s option, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, at a redemption price (expressed as a percentage of principal amount and rounded to three decimal places) equal to the greater of: (1)(a) the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest on the Notes to be redeemed discounted to the redemption date (assuming that such Notes matured on the par call date), on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year composed of twelve 30-day months) at a rate equal to the Treasury Rate (as defined in the Supplemental Indenture), plus 15 basis points, less (b) interest accrued to the date of redemption; and (2) 100% of the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed; plus, in either case, accrued and unpaid interest on the Notes to the redemption date. On or after the par call date for the Notes, the Company may redeem the Notes in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed, plus any accrued and unpaid interest thereon to the redemption date.

Upon the occurrence of a change of control repurchase event with respect to the Notes, the Company must offer to repurchase all or any part of the Notes at a price in cash equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes repurchased, plus any accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the repurchase date.

The Indenture contains limited affirmative and negative covenants of the Company, each of which is subject to a number of limitations and exceptions in the Indenture. The negative covenants restrict the Company’s and certain of its subsidiaries’ ability to incur liens on Property (as defined in the Indenture); to engage in sale and lease-back transactions with respect to any Property; and the Company’s ability to consolidate, merge or convey, transfer or lease all or substantially all of the Company’s properties and assets.

The Notes are and will be guaranteed by each of the Company’s existing and future subsidiaries that is or becomes an obligor under the Senior Credit Facilities (as defined in the Supplemental Indenture). Atmel Corporation, Microchip Holding Corporation, Microchip Technology LLC, Silicon Storage Technology, Inc., Microsemi Corporation, and Microsemi Storage Solutions, Inc. will be the initial Subsidiary Guarantors.

The foregoing description of the Base Indenture, the Supplemental Indenture and the Notes do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the full text of the Base Indenture, which was filed as Exhibit 4.1 to the Registration Statement; and the Supplemental Indenture and the form of global note representing the Notes, which are filed as Exhibits 4.1 and 4.2, respectively, to this Form 8-K and are incorporated by reference herein.

Item 8.01 Other Events

The Notes were issued and sold pursuant to an underwriting agreement, dated March 5, 2024, among the Company, the Subsidiary Guarantors and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, BNP Paribas Securities Corp. and BofA Securities, Inc. as representatives of the several underwriters identified on Schedule 1 thereto (collectively, the “Underwriters”). The Company sold the Notes to the Underwriters at a price of 99.473% of the principal amount thereof, and the Underwriters offered the Notes to the public at a price of 99.823% of the principal amount thereof.

The Underwriting Agreement contains customary representations, warranties, conditions to closing, indemnification and obligations of the parties. The Company has also agreed to indemnify the Underwriters against certain liabilities, including civil liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribute to payments that the Underwriters may be required to make in respect of those liabilities.

The foregoing description of the Underwriting Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Underwriting Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 1.1 hereto.

In connection with the offering of the Notes, the Company is filing as Exhibit 5.1 hereto an opinion of counsel addressing the validity of the Notes. Such opinion is incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
1.1	<u>Underwriting Agreement, dated March 5, 2024, among Microchip Technology Incorporated, the subsidiary guarantors named therein and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, BNP Paribas Securities Corp and BofA Securities, Inc., as representatives of the several underwriters named therein</u>
4.1	<u>First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 7, 2024, among Microchip Technology Incorporated, the subsidiary guarantors named therein and Computershare Trust Company, National Association, as trustee</u>
4.2	<u>Form of Global Note for the 5.050% Senior Notes due 2029 (included as Exhibit A to Exhibit 4.1)</u>
5.1	<u>Opinion of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, Professional Corporation</u>
23.1	<u>Consent of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, Professional Corporation (included in Exhibit 5.1)</u>
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

SIGNATURES

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

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED

Date: March 7, 2024

By: /s/ J. Eric Bjornholt

J. Eric Bjornholt

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Microchip Technology Incorporated

\$1,000,000,000

5.050% Senior Notes due 2029

Underwriting Agreement

March 5, 2024

J.P. Morgan Securities LLC
BNP Paribas Securities Corp.
BofA Securities, Inc.
As Representatives of the
several Underwriters listed
in Schedule 1 hereto

c/o J.P. Morgan Securities LLC
383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10179

c/o BNP Paribas Securities Corp.
787 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York 10019

c/o BofA Securities, Inc.
One Bryant Park
New York, New York 10036

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Microchip Technology Incorporated, a Delaware corporation (the “Company”), proposes to issue and sell to the several Underwriters listed in Schedule 1 hereto (the “Underwriters”), for whom you are acting as representatives (the “Representatives”), \$1,000,000,000 principal amount of its 5.050% Senior Notes due 2029 (the “Securities”). The Securities will be issued pursuant to an Indenture dated as of February 29, 2024 (the “Base Indenture”) between the Company and Computershare Trust Company, National Association, as trustee (the “Trustee”), as supplemented by a Supplemental Indenture to be dated as of March 7, 2024 (the “Supplemental Indenture” and, together with the Base Indenture, the “Indenture”) among the Company, the guarantors listed in Schedule 2 hereto (the “Guarantors”) and the Trustee, and will be guaranteed on a senior basis by each of the Guarantors (the “Guarantees”).

The Company and the Guarantors hereby confirm their agreement with the several Underwriters concerning the purchase and sale of the Securities, as follows:

1. Registration Statement. The Company has prepared and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (collectively, the “Securities Act”), a registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-277512), including a prospectus, relating to the Securities. Such registration statement, as amended at the time it became effective, including the information, if any, deemed pursuant to Rule 430A, 430B or 430C under the Securities Act to be part of the registration statement at the time of its effectiveness (“Rule 430 Information”), is referred to herein as the “Registration Statement”; and as used herein, the term “Preliminary Prospectus” means the preliminary prospectus supplement of the Company, dated March 5, 2024, relating to the Securities and filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act and the prospectus included in the Registration Statement at the time of its effectiveness that omits Rule 430 Information (the “Base Prospectus”), and the term “Prospectus” means the final prospectus supplement, together with the Base Prospectus, in the form first used (or made available upon request of purchasers pursuant to Rule 173 under the Securities Act) in connection with confirmation of sales of the Securities. Any reference in this agreement (this “Agreement”) to the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include the documents incorporated by reference therein pursuant to Item 12 of Form S-3 under the Securities Act, as of the effective date of the Registration Statement or the date of such Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus, as the case may be and any reference to “amend,” “amendment” or “supplement” with respect to the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include any documents filed after such date under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (collectively, the “Exchange Act”) that are deemed to be incorporated by reference therein. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus.

At or prior to 3:45 P.M., New York City time, on March 5, 2024 (the “Time of Sale”), the Company had prepared the following information (collectively, the “Time of Sale Information”): a Preliminary Prospectus dated March 5, 2024 and each “free-writing prospectus” (as defined pursuant to Rule 405 under the Securities Act) listed on Annex A hereto.

2. Purchase and Sale of the Securities.

(a) The Company agrees to issue and sell the Securities to the several Underwriters as provided in this Agreement, and each Underwriter, on the basis of the representations, warranties and agreements set forth herein and subject to the conditions set forth herein, agrees, severally and not jointly, to purchase from the Company the respective principal amount of Securities set forth opposite such Underwriter’s name in Schedule 1 hereto at a price equal to 99.473% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest, if any, from March 7, 2024 to the Closing Date (as defined below). The Company will not be obligated to deliver any of the Securities except upon payment for all the Securities to be purchased as provided herein.

(b) The Company understands that the Underwriters intend to make a public offering of the Securities as soon after the effectiveness of this Agreement as in the judgment of the Representatives is advisable, and initially to offer the Securities on the terms set forth in the Time of Sale Information. The Company acknowledges and agrees that the Underwriters may offer and sell Securities to or through any affiliate of an Underwriter and that any such affiliate may offer and sell Securities purchased by it to or through any Underwriter.

(c) Payment for and delivery of the Securities will be made at the offices of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP at 10:00 A.M., New York City time, on March 7, 2024, or at such other time or place on the same or such other date, not later than the fifth business day thereafter, as the Representatives and the Company may agree upon in writing. The time and date of such payment and delivery is referred to herein as the “Closing Date.”

(d) Payment for the Securities shall be made by wire transfer in immediately available funds to the account(s) specified by the Company to the Representatives against delivery to the nominee of The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”), for the account of the Underwriters, of one or more global notes representing the Securities (collectively, the “Global Note”), with any transfer taxes payable in connection with the sale of the Securities duly paid by the Company. The Global Note will be made available for inspection by the Representatives not later than 1:00 P.M., New York City time, on the business day prior to the Closing Date.

(e) The Company and the Guarantors acknowledge and agree that each Underwriter is acting solely in the capacity of an arm’s length contractual counterparty to the Company and the Guarantors with respect to the offering of Securities contemplated hereby (including in connection with determining the terms of the offering) and not as a financial advisor or a fiduciary to, or an agent of, the Company, the Guarantors or any other person. Additionally, neither the Representatives nor the Underwriters are advising the Company, the Guarantors or any other person as to any legal, tax, investment, accounting or regulatory matters in any jurisdiction. The Company and the Guarantors shall consult with their own advisors concerning such matters and shall be responsible for making their own independent investigation and appraisal of the transactions contemplated hereby, and the Underwriters shall have no responsibility or liability to the Company or the Guarantors with respect thereto. Any review by any Representative or any Underwriter of the Company, the Guarantors, the transactions contemplated hereby or other matters relating to such transactions will be performed solely for the benefit of such Representative or such Underwriter, as the case may be, and shall not be on behalf of the Company or the Guarantors, as the case may be, or any other person.

3. Representations and Warranties of the Company and the Guarantors. The Company and the Guarantors jointly and severally represent and warrant to each Underwriters that:

(a) *Preliminary Prospectus.* No order preventing or suspending the use of any Preliminary Prospectus has been issued by the Commission, and the Preliminary Prospectus, at the time of filing thereof, complied in all material respects with the Securities Act and did not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact (other than Rule 430 Information) necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided that the Company and the Guarantors make no representation or warranty with respect to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with information relating to any Underwriter furnished to the Company and the Guarantors in writing by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use in any Preliminary Prospectus.

(b) *Time of Sale Information.* The Time of Sale Information, at the Time of Sale did not, and at the Closing Date will not, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided that the Company and the Guarantors make no representation or warranty with respect to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with information relating to any Underwriter furnished to the Company and the Guarantors in writing by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use in the Time of Sale Information. No statement of material fact included in the Prospectus has been omitted from the Time of Sale Information and no statement of material fact included in the Time of Sale Information that is required to be included in the Prospectus has been omitted therefrom.

(c) *Issuer Free Writing Prospectus.* The Company and the Guarantors (including their agents and representatives, other than the Underwriters in their capacity as such) have not prepared, made, used, authorized, approved or referred to and will not prepare, make, use, authorize, approve or refer to any “written communication” (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act) that constitutes an offer to sell or solicitation of an offer to buy the Securities (each such communication by the Company and the Guarantors or their agents and representatives (other than a communication referred to in clauses (i) (ii) and (iii) below) an “Issuer Free Writing Prospectus”) other than (i) any document not constituting a prospectus pursuant to Section 2(a) (10)(a) of the Securities Act or Rule 134 under the Securities Act, (ii) the Preliminary Prospectus, (iii) the Prospectus, (iv) the documents listed on Annex A hereto, including a Pricing Term Sheet substantially in the form of Annex B hereto, which constitute part of the Time of Sale Information and (v) any electronic road show or other written communications, in each case approved in writing in advance by the Representatives (such approval not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed). Each such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus complies in all material respects with the Securities Act, has been or will be (within the time period specified in Rule 433) filed in accordance with the Securities Act (to the extent required thereby) and, when taken together with the Preliminary Prospectus accompanying, or delivered prior to delivery of, such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, at the Time of Sale, did not, and at the Closing Date will not, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided that the Company and the Guarantors make no representation or warranty with respect to any statements or omissions made in each such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus in reliance upon and in conformity with information relating to any Underwriter furnished to the Company and the Guarantors in writing by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use in any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus.

(d) *Registration Statement and Prospectus.* The Registration Statement is an “automatic shelf registration statement” as defined under Rule 405 of the Securities Act that has been filed with the Commission not earlier than three years prior to the date hereof; and no notice of objection of the Commission to the use of such registration statement or any post-effective amendment thereto pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) under the Securities Act has been received by the Company. No order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement has been issued by the Commission and no proceeding for that purpose or pursuant to Section 8A of the Securities Act against the Company or related to the offering of the Securities has been initiated or threatened by the Commission; as of the applicable effective date of the Registration Statement and any amendment thereto, the Registration Statement complied and will comply in all material respects with the Securities Act and the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (collectively, the “Trust Indenture Act”), and did not and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein not misleading; and as of the date of the Prospectus and any amendment or supplement thereto and as of the Closing Date, the Prospectus complied and will comply in all material respects with the Securities Act and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided that the Company makes no representation or warranty with respect to (i) that part of the Registration Statement that constitutes the Statement of Eligibility and Qualification (Form T-1) of the Trustee under the Trust Indenture Act or (ii) any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with information relating to any Underwriter furnished to the Company in writing by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus and any amendment or supplement thereto.

(e) *Incorporated Documents.* The documents incorporated by reference in each of the Registration Statement, the Prospectus and the Time of Sale Information, when they were filed with the Commission, conformed in all material respects to the requirements of the Exchange Act, and none of such documents contained any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; and any further documents so filed and incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or the Time of Sale Information, when such documents become effective or are filed with the Commission, as the case may be, will conform in all material respects to the requirements of the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, as applicable, and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

(f) *Financial Statements.* The financial statements and the related notes thereto included or incorporated by reference in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus comply in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, as applicable, and present fairly in all material respects the financial position of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries as of the dates indicated and the results of their operations and the changes in their cash flows for the periods specified; such financial statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (“GAAP”) applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods covered thereby, and the supporting schedules included or incorporated by reference in each of the Registration Statement, the Prospectus and the Time of Sale Information present fairly in all material respects the information required to be stated therein; and the other financial information included or incorporated by reference in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus has been derived from the accounting records of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries and presents fairly the information shown thereby. The interactive data in eXtensible Business Reporting Language included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus and the Time of Sale Information fairly presents the information called for in all material respects and is prepared in accordance with the Commission’s rules and guidelines applicable thereto.

(g) *Organization and Good Standing.* The Company and each of the Guarantors have been duly organized and are validly existing and in good standing under the laws of their respective jurisdictions of organization, are duly qualified to do business and are in good standing in each jurisdiction in which their respective ownership or lease of property or the conduct of their respective businesses as currently conducted requires such qualification, and have all power and authority necessary to own or hold their respective properties and to conduct the businesses in which they currently are engaged, except where the failure to be so qualified or in good standing or have such power or authority would not, individually or in the aggregate, have or reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the business, properties, management, financial position, stockholders’ equity or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, or on the performance by the Company and the Guarantors of their respective obligations under the Transaction Documents (as defined below) (a “Material Adverse Effect”). The subsidiaries listed in Schedule 3 to this Agreement are the only significant subsidiaries of the Company.

(h) *No Material Adverse Change.* Except as disclosed in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, since the date of the most recent financial statements of the Company included or incorporated by reference in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus there has not been any material change in the capital stock (other than the issuance of shares of Common Stock, options to purchase or acquire shares of Common Stock or restricted stock units, in each case granted under the Company’s currently existing equity incentive plans, as disclosed in the Time of Sale Information, or the issuance of Common Stock upon the exercise of outstanding options and warrants, the vesting of restricted stock units or upon settlement of the Company’s outstanding 2.250% junior subordinated convertible debentures due 2037, its 1.625% convertible senior subordinated notes due 2025, its 1.625% convertible senior subordinated notes due 2027

or its 0.125% convertible senior subordinated notes due 2024), long-term debt (other than any borrowings under the Senior Credit Facilities, as defined and described in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus), notes payable or current portion of long term debt of the Company or any of its subsidiaries, or any dividend or distribution of any kind declared (other than any regular quarterly cash dividend publicly declared by the Company prior to the date of this Agreement), set aside for payment, paid or made by the Company on any class of capital stock, or any material adverse change, or any development involving a prospective material adverse change, in or affecting the business, properties, management, financial position or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole.

(i) *Capitalization.* The Company has, after giving effect to the offer and sale of the Securities and the use of proceeds therefrom, will have, the capitalization as set forth in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus under the heading “Capitalization”.

(j) *Due Authorization.* The Company and each of the Guarantors have full right, power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement, the Securities and the Indenture (including each Guarantee set forth therein) (collectively, the “Transaction Documents”), and to perform their respective obligations hereunder and under the Transaction Documents; and all action required to be taken by the Company and each of the Guarantors for the due and proper authorization, execution and delivery of each of the Transaction Documents to which they are a party and the consummation of the transactions contemplated thereby or by the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus have been duly and validly taken.

(k) *The Indenture.* The Indenture has been duly authorized by the Company and each of the Guarantors and on the Closing Date will be duly executed and delivered by the Company and each of the Guarantors and, when duly executed and delivered in accordance with its terms by each of the parties thereto, will constitute a valid and legally binding agreement of the Company and each of the Guarantors enforceable against the Company and each of the Guarantors in accordance with its terms, except as enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors’ rights generally or by equitable principles relating to enforceability (collectively, the “Enforceability Exceptions”); and on the Closing Date the Indenture will conform in all material respects to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act.

(l) *The Securities and the Guarantees.* The Securities have been duly authorized by the Company and, when duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered as provided in the Indenture and paid for as provided herein, will be duly and validly issued and outstanding and will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions, and will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture; and the Guarantees have been duly authorized by each of the Guarantors and, when the Securities have been duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered as provided in the Indenture and paid for as provided herein, will be valid and legally binding obligations of each of the Guarantors, enforceable against each of the Guarantors in accordance with their terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions, and will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture.

(m) *Underwriting Agreement*. This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and each of the Guarantors.

(n) *Descriptions of the Transaction Documents*. Each Transaction Document conforms in all material respects to the description thereof contained in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus.

(o) *No Violation or Default*. None of the Company, the Guarantors or any of the Company's significant subsidiaries set forth on Schedule 3 is (i) in violation of its charter or by-laws or similar organizational documents; (ii) in default, and no event has occurred that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute such a default, in the due performance or observance of any term, covenant or condition contained in any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement, lease or other agreement or instrument to which the Company, the Guarantors or any of the Company's significant subsidiaries is a party or by which the Company, the Guarantors or any of the Company's significant subsidiaries is bound or to which any property or asset of the Company, the Guarantors or any of the Company's significant subsidiaries is subject; or (iii) in violation of any law or statute or any judgment, order, rule or regulation of any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority, except, in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii) above, for any such default or violation that would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect.

(p) *No Conflicts*. The execution, delivery and performance by the Company and each of the Guarantors of each of the Transaction Documents to which each is a party, the issuance and sale of the Securities, the issuance of the Guarantees and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Documents or the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus will not (i) after giving effect to the use of proceeds of the Securities, conflict with or result in a breach or violation of any of the terms or provisions of, or constitute a default under, result in the termination, modification or acceleration of, or result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property, right or asset of the Company or any of its subsidiaries pursuant to, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement or other agreement or instrument to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is a party or by which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is bound or to which any property, right or asset of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is subject, (ii) result in any violation of the provisions of the charter or by-laws or similar organizational documents of the Company, the Guarantors or any of the Company's significant subsidiaries or (iii) result in the violation of any law or statute or any judgment, order, rule or regulation of any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority, except, in the case of clauses (i) and (iii) of this sentence, for any such conflict, breach, violation, default, lien, charge or encumbrance that would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect.

(q) *No Consents Required.* No consent, approval, authorization, order, registration or qualification of or with any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority is required for the execution, delivery and performance by the Company and each of the Guarantors of each of the Transaction Documents to which each is a party, the issuance and sale of the Securities and the issuance of the Guarantees and compliance by the Company and each of the Guarantors with the terms thereof and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Documents or the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, except for (i) the registration of the Securities and the Guarantees under the Securities Act, (ii) the qualification of the Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act and (iii) such consents, approvals, authorizations, orders and registrations or qualifications as may be required under applicable state securities laws in connection with the purchase and distribution of the Securities by the Underwriters.

(r) *Legal Proceedings.* Except as described in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, there are no legal, governmental or regulatory investigations, actions, suits, or ("Actions") proceedings pending to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is or may be a party or to which any property of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is or may be the subject that, individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and, except as described in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Offering Memorandum, to the knowledge of the Company, no such Actions are threatened or, to the knowledge of the Company and each of the Guarantors, contemplated by any governmental or regulatory authority or threatened by others.

(s) *Independent Accountants.* Ernst & Young LLP, who have certified certain financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries is an independent registered public accounting firm with respect to the Company and its subsidiaries within the applicable rules and regulations adopted by the Commission and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and as required by the Securities Act.

(t) *Intellectual Property.* (i) The Company and its subsidiaries own or have the right to use all patents, patent applications, trademarks, service marks, trade names, trademark registrations, service mark registrations, domain names and other source indicators, copyrights and copyrightable works, know-how, trade secrets, systems, procedures, proprietary or confidential information and all other worldwide intellectual property, industrial property and proprietary rights (collectively, "Intellectual Property") used in the conduct of their respective businesses; (ii) the Company and its subsidiaries' conduct of their respective businesses does not infringe, misappropriate or otherwise violate any Intellectual Property of any person; (iii) the Company and its subsidiaries have not received any written notice of any claim relating to Intellectual Property; and (iv) to the knowledge of the Company and any Guarantor, the Intellectual Property of the Company and their subsidiaries is not being infringed, misappropriated or otherwise violated by any person.

(u) *Disclosure Controls.* The Company and its subsidiaries maintain an effective system of “disclosure controls and procedures” (as defined in Rule 13a-15(3) of the Exchange Act) that complies with the requirements of the Exchange Act and that has been designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Commission’s rules and forms, including controls and procedures designed to ensure that such information is accumulated and communicated to the Company’s management as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. The Company has carried out evaluations of the effectiveness of its disclosure controls and procedures as required by Rule 13a-15(e) of the Exchange Act.

(v) *Investment Company Act.* The Company and each of the Guarantors is not, and after giving effect to the offering and sale of the Securities and the application of the proceeds thereof as described in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, will not be required to register as an “investment company” or an entity “controlled” by an “investment company,” in each case as defined under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

(w) *Taxes.* The Company and its subsidiaries have paid all federal, state, local and foreign taxes and filed all tax returns required to be paid or filed through the date hereof; and except as otherwise disclosed in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, there is no tax deficiency that has been, or could reasonably be expected to be, asserted against the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any of their respective properties or assets except, in each case, for (i) any such taxes or tax deficiencies that are currently being contested in good faith and for which the Company has established adequate reserves or (ii) as would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect.

(x) *Licenses and Permits.* The Company and its subsidiaries possess all licenses, sub-licenses, certificates, permits and other authorizations issued by, and have made all declarations and filings with, the appropriate federal, state, local or foreign governmental or regulatory authorities that are necessary for the ownership or lease of their respective properties or the conduct of their respective businesses as described in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, except where the failure to possess or make the same would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect; and except as described in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has received notice of any revocation or modification of any such license, sub-license, certificate, permit or authorization or has any reason to believe that any such license, sub-license, certificate, permit or authorization will not be renewed in the ordinary course, except where such revocation, modification or non-renewal would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect.

(y) *Certain Environmental Matters.* (i) To the knowledge of the Company, the Company and its subsidiaries (x) are in compliance with any and all applicable federal, state, local and foreign laws, rules, regulations, requirements, decisions, judgments, decrees, and orders relating to the protection of human health or safety, the environment, natural resources, hazardous or toxic substances or wastes, pollutants or contaminants (collectively, “Environmental Laws”); (y) have received and are in compliance with all

permits, licenses, certificates or other authorizations or approvals required of them under applicable Environmental Laws to conduct their respective businesses; and (z) have not received notice of any actual or potential liability under or relating to any Environmental Laws, including for the investigation or remediation of any disposal or release of hazardous or toxic substances or wastes, pollutants or contaminants, and have no knowledge of any event or condition that would reasonably be expected to result in any such notice, and (ii) there are no costs or liabilities associated with Environmental Laws of or relating to the Company or its subsidiaries, except in the case of each of (i) and (ii) above, for any such failure to comply, or failure to receive required permits, licenses or approvals, or cost or liability, as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and (iii) except as described in each of the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, (x) there is no proceeding that is pending, or that is known to be contemplated, against the Company or any of its subsidiaries under any Environmental Laws in which a governmental entity is also a party, other than such proceeding regarding which it is reasonably believed no monetary sanctions of \$300,000 or more will be imposed, (y) the Company and its subsidiaries are not aware of any facts or issues regarding compliance with Environmental Laws, or liabilities or other obligations under Environmental Laws or concerning hazardous or toxic substances or wastes, pollutants or contaminants, that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(z) *Accounting Controls.* The Company and its subsidiaries maintain a system of “internal control over financial reporting” (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) of the Exchange Act) that complies with the requirements of the Exchange Act and have been designed by, or under the supervision of, their respective principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with GAAP. The Company and its subsidiaries maintain internal accounting controls sufficient to provide reasonable assurance that (i) transactions are executed in accordance with management’s general or specific authorizations; (ii) transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP and to maintain asset accountability; (iii) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with management’s general or specific authorization; (iv) the recorded accountability for assets is compared with the existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences; and (v) interactive data in eXtensible Business Reporting Language included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus and the Time of Sale Information is prepared in accordance with the Commission’s rules and guidelines applicable thereto. Except as disclosed in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, (A) there are no material weaknesses in the Company’s internal controls as of December 31, 2023 and (B) neither the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company nor, to the knowledge of the Company, the Company’s auditors have been advised of any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the Company’s internal controls over financial reporting.

(aa) *No Unlawful Payments.* Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries, nor any director or officer of the Company or any of its subsidiaries nor, to the knowledge of the Company and each of the Guarantors, any employee, agent, affiliate or other person associated with or acting on behalf of the Company or any of its subsidiaries has (i) used any corporate funds for any unlawful contribution, gift, entertainment or other unlawful expense relating to political activity; (ii) made or taken an act in furtherance of an offer, promise or authorization of any direct or indirect unlawful payment or unlawful benefit to any foreign or domestic government official or employee, including of any government-owned or controlled entity or of a public international organization, or any person acting in an official capacity for or on behalf of any of the foregoing, or any political party or party official or candidate for political office; (iii) violated or is in violation of any provision of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, or any applicable law or regulation implementing the OECD Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions, or committed an offence under the Bribery Act 2010 of the United Kingdom, or any other applicable anti-bribery or anti-corruption law; or (iv) made, offered, agreed, requested or taken an act in furtherance of any unlawful bribe or other unlawful benefit, including, without limitation, any rebate, payoff, influence payment, kickback or other unlawful or improper payment or benefit. The Company and its subsidiaries have instituted, maintain and enforce, and will continue to maintain and enforce, policies and procedures designed to promote and ensure compliance in all material respects with all applicable anti-bribery and anti-corruption laws.

(bb) *Compliance with Anti-Money Laundering Laws.* The operations of the Company and its subsidiaries are and have been conducted in compliance in all material respects with applicable financial recordkeeping and reporting requirements, including those of the Currency and Foreign Transactions Reporting Act of 1970, as amended, the applicable money laundering statutes of all jurisdictions where the Company or any of its subsidiaries conducts business, the rules and regulations thereunder and any related or similar rules, regulations or guidelines, issued, administered or enforced by any governmental agency (collectively, the “Anti-Money Laundering Laws”), and no action, suit or proceeding by or before any court or governmental agency, authority or body or any arbitrator involving the Company or any of its subsidiaries with respect to the Anti-Money Laundering Laws is pending or, to the knowledge of the Company or any of the Guarantors, threatened.

(cc) *No Conflicts with Sanctions Laws.* Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries, directors or officers, nor, to the knowledge of the Company or any of the Guarantors, any employee, agent, affiliate or other person associated with or acting on behalf of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is currently the subject or the target of any sanctions administered or enforced by the U.S. government, (including, without limitation, the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Department of the Treasury (“OFAC”) or the U.S. Department of State and including, without limitation, the designation as a “specially designated national” or “blocked person”), the United Nations Security Council (“UNSC”), the European Union, His Majesty’s Treasury (“HMT”), or other relevant sanctions authority (collectively, “Sanctions”), nor is the Company, any of its subsidiaries or any of the Guarantors located, organized or resident in a country or

territory that is the subject or target of Sanctions, including, without limitation, the Crimea region and the non-government controlled areas of the Zaporizhzhia and Kherson regions of Ukraine, the so-called Donetsk People's Republic, the so-called Luhansk People's Republic, Cuba, Iran, North Korea and Syria (each, a "Sanctioned Country"); and the Company will apply the net proceeds from the sale of the Securities as described in each of the Registration Statement, Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus under the heading "Use of proceeds" and will not directly or knowingly indirectly use the proceeds of the offering of the Securities hereunder, or lend, contribute or otherwise make available such proceeds to any subsidiary, joint venture partner or other person or entity (i) to fund or facilitate any activities of or business with any person that, at the time of such funding or facilitation, is the subject or target of Sanctions, (ii) to fund or facilitate any activities of or business in any Sanctioned Country or (iii) in any other manner that will result in a violation by any person (including any person participating in the transaction, whether as underwriter, initial purchaser, advisor, investor or otherwise) of Sanctions. For the past five years, the Company and its subsidiaries have not knowingly engaged in, are not now knowingly engaged in any dealings or transactions with any person that at the time of the dealing or transaction is or was the subject or the target of Sanctions or with any Sanctioned Country.

(dd) *No Stabilization.* Neither the Company nor any of the Guarantors has taken, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that could reasonably be expected to cause or result in any stabilization or manipulation of the price of the Securities.

(ee) *Cybersecurity; Data Protection.* The Company and its subsidiaries' information technology assets and equipment, computers, systems, networks, hardware, software, websites, applications, and databases (collectively, "IT Systems") are adequate for, and operate and perform in all material respects as required in connection with the operation of the business of the Company and its subsidiaries as currently conducted, free and clear of all material bugs, errors, defects, Trojan horses, time bombs, malware and other corruptants. The Company and its subsidiaries have implemented and maintained commercially reasonable controls, policies, procedures, and safeguards to maintain and protect their material confidential information and the integrity, continuous operation, redundancy and security of all IT Systems and data (including all personal, personally identifiable, sensitive, confidential or regulated data ("Personal Data")) used in connection with their businesses, and there have been no breaches, violations, outages or unauthorized uses of or accesses to same, except for those that have been remedied without material cost or liability or the duty to notify any other person, nor any incidents under internal review or investigations relating to the same. The Company and its subsidiaries are presently in material compliance with all applicable laws or statutes and all judgments, orders, rules and regulations of any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority, internal policies and contractual obligations relating to the privacy and security of IT Systems and Personal Data and to the protection of such IT Systems and Personal Data from unauthorized use, access, misappropriation or modification.

(ff) *Status under the Securities Act.* The Company is not an ineligible issuer and is a well-known seasoned issuer, in each case as defined under the Securities Act, in each case at the times specified in the Securities Act in connection with the offering of the Securities.

4. Further Agreements of the Company and the Guarantors. The Company and the Guarantors jointly and severally covenant and agree with each Underwriter that:

(a) *Required Filings.* The Company and the Guarantors will file the final Prospectus with the Commission within the time periods specified by Rule 424(b) and Rule 430A, 430B or 430C under the Securities Act, will file any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus (including the Pricing Term Sheet referred to in Annex B hereto) to the extent required by Rule 433 under the Securities Act; and the Company will file promptly all reports and any definitive proxy or information statements required to be filed by the Company with the Commission pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act subsequent to the date of the Prospectus and for so long as the delivery of a prospectus is required in connection with the offering or sale of the Securities; and the Company will furnish copies of the Prospectus and each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus (to the extent not previously delivered) to the Underwriters in New York City prior to 10:00 A.M., New York City time, on the business day next succeeding the date of this Agreement in such quantities as the Representatives may reasonably request. The Company will pay the registration fees for this offering within the time period required by Rule 456(b)(1)(i) under the Securities Act (without giving effect to the proviso therein) and in any event prior to the Closing Date.

(b) *Delivery of Copies.* The Company will deliver, without charge, (i) to the Representatives, a signed copy of the Registration Statement as originally filed and each amendment thereto, in each case including all exhibits and consents filed therewith and documents incorporated by reference therein; and (ii) to each Underwriter (A) a conformed copy of the Registration Statement as originally filed and each amendment thereto, in each case including all exhibits and consents filed therewith and (B) during the Prospectus Delivery Period (as defined below), as many copies of the Prospectus (including all amendments and supplements thereto and documents incorporated by reference therein) and each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus as the Representatives may reasonably request. As used herein, the term “Prospectus Delivery Period” means such period of time after the first date of the public offering of the Securities as in the opinion of counsel for the Underwriters a prospectus relating to the Securities is required by law to be delivered (or required to be delivered but for Rule 172 under the Securities Act) in connection with sales of the Securities by any Underwriter or dealer.

(c) *Amendments or Supplements; Issuer Free Writing Prospectuses.* Before making, preparing, using, authorizing, approving, referring to or filing any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, and before filing any amendment or supplement to the Registration Statement or the Prospectus, whether before or after the time that the Registration Statement becomes effective the Company will furnish to the Representatives and counsel for the Underwriters a copy of the proposed Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, amendment or supplement for review and will not make, prepare, use, authorize, approve, refer to or file any such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or file any such proposed amendment or supplement to which the Representatives reasonably object, except as may be required by applicable law.

(d) *Notice to the Representatives.* The Company will advise the Representatives promptly, and confirm such advice in writing, (i) when any amendment to the Registration Statement has been filed or becomes effective; (ii) when any supplement to the Prospectus or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or any amendment to the Prospectus or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus has been filed; (iii) of any request by the Commission for any amendment to the Registration Statement or any amendment or supplement to the Prospectus or the receipt of any comments from the Commission relating to the Registration Statement or any other request by the Commission for any additional information; (iv) of the issuance by the Commission or any other governmental or regulatory authority of any order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or preventing or suspending the use of any Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus, any Time of Sale Information or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for that purpose or pursuant to Section 8A of the Securities Act; (v) of the occurrence of any event within the Prospectus Delivery Period as a result of which the Prospectus, any of the Time of Sale Information or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus as then amended or supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Prospectus, the Time of Sale Information or any such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus is delivered to a purchaser, not misleading; (vi) of the receipt by the Company of any notice of objection of the Commission to the use of the Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment thereto pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) under the Securities Act; and (vii) of the receipt by the Company of any notice with respect to any suspension of the qualification of the Securities for offer and sale in any jurisdiction or the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for such purpose; and the Company will use its reasonable best efforts to prevent the issuance of any such order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement, preventing or suspending the use of any Preliminary Prospectus, any of the Time of Sale Information, Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or the Prospectus, or suspending any such qualification of the Securities and, if any such order is issued, will use its commercially reasonable efforts to obtain as soon as reasonably practicable the withdrawal thereof.

(e) *Time of Sale Information.* If at any time prior to the Closing Date (i) any event shall occur or condition shall exist as a result of which any of the Time of Sale Information as then amended or supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading or (ii) it is necessary to amend or supplement the Time of Sale Information to comply with law, the Company will promptly notify the Underwriters thereof and forthwith prepare and, subject to paragraph (c) above, file with the Commission (to the extent required) and furnish to the Underwriters and to such dealers as the Representatives may designate, such amendments or supplements to the Time of Sale Information (or any document to be filed with the Commission and incorporated by reference therein) as may be necessary so that the statements in any of the Time of Sale Information as so amended or supplemented (including such documents to be incorporated by reference therein) will not, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, be misleading or so that any of the Time of Sale Information will comply with law.

(f) *Ongoing Compliance.* If during the Prospectus Delivery Period (i) any event shall occur or condition shall exist as a result of which the Prospectus as then amended or supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Prospectus is delivered to a purchaser, not misleading or (ii) it is necessary to amend or supplement the Prospectus to comply with law, the Company will notify the Underwriters thereof as promptly as reasonably practicable and forthwith prepare and, subject to paragraph (c) above, file with the Commission and furnish to the Underwriters and to such dealers as the Representatives may designate, such amendments or supplements to the Prospectus (or any document to be filed with the Commission and incorporated by reference therein) as may be necessary so that the statements in the Prospectus as so amended or supplemented including such documents to be incorporated by reference therein will not, in the light of the circumstances existing when the Prospectus is delivered to a purchaser, be misleading or so that the Prospectus will comply with law.

(g) *Blue Sky Compliance.* The Company will use commercially reasonable efforts to qualify the Securities for offer and sale under the securities or Blue Sky laws of such jurisdictions as the Representatives shall reasonably request and will continue such qualifications in effect so long as required for distribution of the Securities; provided that neither the Company nor any of the Guarantors shall be required to (i) qualify as a foreign corporation or other entity or as a dealer in securities in any such jurisdiction where it would not otherwise be required to so qualify, (ii) file any general consent to service of process in any such jurisdiction or (iii) subject itself to taxation in any such jurisdiction if it is not otherwise so subject.

(h) *Earning Statement.* The Company will make generally available to its security holders and the Representatives as soon as practicable an earning statement that satisfies the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Securities Act and Rule 158 of the Commission promulgated thereunder covering a period of at least twelve months beginning with the first fiscal quarter of the Company occurring after the “effective date” (as defined in Rule 158) of the Registration Statement; provided that the Company will be deemed to have furnished such statements to its security holders and the Representatives to the extent they are filed on the Commission’s Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis and Retrieval (EDGAR) system.

(i) *Clear Market.* During the period from the date hereof through and including the Closing Date, the Company and each of the Guarantors will not, without the prior written consent of the Representatives, offer, sell, contract to sell or otherwise dispose of any debt securities issued or guaranteed by the Company or any of the Guarantors and having a tenor of more than one year other than commercial paper.

(j) *Use of Proceeds.* The Company will apply the net proceeds from the sale of the Securities as described in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus under the heading “Use of proceeds.”

(k) *DTC.* The Company will assist the Underwriters in arranging for the Securities to be eligible for clearance and settlement through DTC.

(l) *No Stabilization.* Neither the Company nor any of the Guarantors will take, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that could reasonably be expected to cause or result in any stabilization or manipulation of the price of the Securities.

(m) *Record Retention.* The Company will, pursuant to reasonable procedures developed in good faith, retain copies of each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus that is not filed with the Commission in accordance with Rule 433 under the Securities Act.

5. Certain Agreements of the Underwriters. Each Underwriter hereby represents and agrees that:

(a) It has not and will not use, authorize use of, refer to, or participate in the planning for use of, any “free writing prospectus,” as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act (which term includes use of any written information furnished to the Commission by the Company and not incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement and any press release issued by the Company) other than (i) a free writing prospectus that, solely as a result of use by such Underwriter, would not trigger an obligation to file such free writing prospectus with the Commission pursuant to Rule 433, (ii) any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus listed on Annex A or prepared pursuant to Section 3(c) or Section 4(c) above (including any electronic road show), or (iii) any free writing prospectus prepared by such Underwriter and approved by the Company in advance in writing (each such free writing prospectus referred to in clauses (i) or (iii), an “Underwriter Free Writing Prospectus”). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Underwriters may use the Pricing Term Sheet referred to in Annex B hereto without the consent of the Company.

(b) It is not subject to any pending proceeding under Section 8A of the Securities Act with respect to the offering (and will promptly notify the Company if any such proceeding against it is initiated during the Prospectus Delivery Period).

6. Conditions of Underwriters’ Obligations. The obligation of each Underwriter to purchase Securities on the Closing Date as provided herein is subject to the performance by the Company and each of the Guarantors of their respective covenants and other obligations hereunder and to the following additional conditions:

(a) *Registration Compliance; No Stop Order.* No order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement shall be in effect, and no proceeding for such purpose, pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) or pursuant to Section 8A under the Securities Act shall be pending before or threatened by the Commission; the Prospectus and each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus shall have been timely filed with the Commission under the Securities Act (in the case of an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, to the extent required by Rule 433 under the Securities Act) and in accordance with Section 4(a) hereof; and all requests by the Commission for additional information to be included in the Registration Statement or Prospectus shall have been complied with to the reasonable satisfaction of the Representatives.

(b) *Representations and Warranties.* The representations and warranties of the Company and the Guarantors contained herein shall be true and correct on the date hereof and on and as of the Closing Date; and the statements of the Company, the Guarantors and their respective officers made in any certificates delivered pursuant to this Agreement shall be true and correct on and as of the Closing Date.

(c) *No Downgrade.* Subsequent to the earlier of (A) the Time of Sale and (B) the execution and delivery of this Agreement, (i) no downgrading shall have occurred in the rating accorded the Securities or any other debt securities or preferred stock issued or guaranteed by the Company or any of its subsidiaries by any “nationally recognized statistical rating organization”, as such term is defined under Section 3(a)(62) under the Exchange Act and (ii) no such organization shall have publicly announced that it has under surveillance or review, or has changed its outlook with respect to, its rating of the Securities or of any other debt securities or preferred stock issued or guaranteed by the Company or any of its subsidiaries (other than an announcement with positive implications of a possible upgrading).

(d) *No Material Adverse Change.* No event or condition of a type described in Section 3(h) hereof shall have occurred or shall exist, which event or condition is not described in each of the Time of Sale Information (excluding any amendment or supplement thereto) and the Prospectus (excluding any amendment or supplement thereto) the effect of which in the judgment of the Representatives makes it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the offering, sale or delivery of the Securities on the terms and in the manner contemplated by this Agreement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus.

(e) *Officer's Certificate.* The Representatives shall have received on and as of the Closing Date a certificate of the chief financial officer or chief accounting officer of the Company on behalf of the Company (and not in his or her individual capacity) and of each Guarantor who has specific knowledge of the Company's or such Guarantor's financial matters and is satisfactory to the Representatives (i) confirming that such officer has carefully reviewed the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus and, to the knowledge of such officer, the representations set forth in Sections 3(b) and 3(d) hereof are true and correct, (ii) confirming that the other representations and warranties of the Company and the Guarantors in this Agreement are (x) true and correct (in the case of representations and warranties that are qualified with respect to materiality) or (y) are true and correct in all material respects (in the case of representation and warranties that are not so qualified) and that the Company and the Guarantors have complied with all agreements and satisfied all conditions in all material respects on their part to be performed or satisfied hereunder at or prior to the Closing Date and (iii) to the effect set forth in paragraphs (a), (c) and (d) above.

(f) *CFO Certificate*. On the date of this Agreement and on the Closing Date, the Company shall have furnished to the Representatives certificates, dated the respective dates of delivery thereof, of the Chief Financial Officer of the Company with respect to certain financial data contained in the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus, providing “management comfort” with respect to such information, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Representatives.

(g) *Comfort Letters*. (i) On the date of this Agreement and on the Closing Date, Ernst & Young LLP shall have furnished to the Representatives, at the request of the Company, letters, dated the respective dates of delivery thereof and addressed to the Underwriters, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Representatives, containing statements and information of the type customarily included in accountants’ “comfort letters” to underwriters with respect to the financial statements and certain financial information contained or incorporated by reference in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus; provided that the letter delivered on the Closing Date shall use a “cut-off” date no more than three business days prior to the Closing Date

(h) *Opinion and 10b-5 Statement of Counsel for the Company*. Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, Professional Corporation, counsel for the Company and the Guarantors, shall have furnished to the Representatives, at the request of the Company, their written opinion and 10b-5 statement, dated the Closing Date and addressed to the Underwriters, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Representatives, to the effect set forth in Annex C hereto.

(i) *Opinion and 10b-5 Statement of Counsel for the Underwriters*. The Representatives shall have received on and as of the Closing Date an opinion and 10b-5 statement, addressed to the Underwriters, of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP, counsel for the Underwriters, with respect to such matters as the Representatives may reasonably request, and such counsel shall have received such documents and information as they may reasonably request to enable them to pass upon such matters.

(j) *No Legal Impediment to Issuance*. No action shall have been taken and no statute, rule, regulation or order shall have been enacted, adopted or issued by any federal, state or foreign governmental or regulatory authority that would, as of the Closing Date, prevent the issuance or sale of the Securities or the issuance of the Guarantees; and no injunction or order of any federal, state or foreign court shall have been issued that would, as of the Closing Date, prevent the issuance or sale of the Securities or the issuance of the Guarantees.

(k) *Good Standing*. The Representatives shall have received on and as of the Closing Date satisfactory evidence of the good standing of the Company, the Guarantors and certain of their respective subsidiaries in their respective jurisdictions of organization and their good standing in such other jurisdictions as the Representatives may reasonably request, in each case in writing or any standard form of telecommunication, from the appropriate governmental authorities of such jurisdictions.

(l) *DTC*. The Securities shall be eligible for clearance and settlement through DTC.

(m) *Indenture and Securities*. The Indenture shall have been duly executed and delivered by a duly authorized officer of the Company, each of the Guarantors and the Trustee, and the Securities shall have been duly executed and delivered by a duly authorized officer of the Company and duly authenticated by the Trustee.

(n) *Additional Documents*. On or prior to the Closing Date, the Company and the Guarantors shall have furnished to the Representatives such further certificates and documents as the Representatives may reasonably request.

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

7. Indemnification and Contribution.

(a) *Indemnification of the Underwriters*. The Company and each of the Guarantors jointly and severally agree to indemnify and hold harmless each Underwriter, its affiliates, directors and officers and each person, if any, who controls such Underwriter within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act, from and against any and all losses, claims, damages and liabilities (including, without limitation, reasonable legal fees and other reasonable expenses incurred in connection with any suit, action or proceeding or any claim asserted, as such fees and expenses are incurred), joint or several, that arise out of, or are based upon, (i) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement or caused by any omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, not misleading, or (ii) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto), any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or any Time of Sale Information, or caused by any omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, in each case except insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities arise out of, or are based upon, any untrue statement or omission or alleged untrue statement or omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with any information relating to any Underwriter furnished to the Company in writing by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use therein.

(b) *Indemnification of the Company and the Guarantors*. Each Underwriter agrees, severally and not jointly, to indemnify and hold harmless the Company, each of the Guarantors, and each of their respective directors and officers who signed the Registration Statement and each person, if any, who controls the Company or any of the Guarantors within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act to the same extent as the indemnity set forth in paragraph (a) above, but only with respect to any losses, claims, damages or liabilities (including, without limitation,

reasonable legal fees and other reasonable expenses incurred in connection with any suit, action or proceeding or any claim asserted, as such fees and expenses are incurred) that arise out of, or are based upon, any untrue statement or omission or alleged untrue statement or omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with any information relating to such Underwriter furnished to the Company in writing by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto), any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or any Time of Sale Information, it being understood and agreed that the only such information consists of the following paragraphs in the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus: the first, second and fourth sentences of the third paragraph, the second sentence of the sixth paragraph, and the first, second, third, fourth and sixth sentences of the seventh paragraph under the caption "Underwriting".

(c) *Notice and Procedures.* If any suit, action, proceeding (including any governmental or regulatory investigation), claim or demand shall be brought or asserted against any person in respect of which indemnification may be sought pursuant to either paragraph (a) or (b) above, such person (the "Indemnified Person") shall promptly notify the person against whom such indemnification may be sought (the "Indemnifying Person") in writing; provided that the failure to notify the Indemnifying Person shall not relieve it from any liability that it may have under paragraph (a) or (b) above except to the extent that it has been materially prejudiced (through the forfeiture of substantive rights or defenses) by such failure; and provided, further, that the failure to notify the Indemnifying Person shall not relieve it from any liability that it may have to an Indemnified Person otherwise than under paragraph (a) or (b) above. If any such proceeding shall be brought or asserted against an Indemnified Person and it shall have notified the Indemnifying Person thereof, the Indemnifying Person shall retain counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person (who shall not, without the consent of the Indemnified Person, be counsel to the Indemnifying Person) to represent the Indemnified Person and any others entitled to indemnification pursuant to this Section 7 that the Indemnifying Person may designate in such proceeding and shall pay the reasonable fees and expenses of such proceeding and shall pay the reasonable fees and expenses of such counsel related to such proceeding, as incurred. In any such proceeding, any Indemnified Person shall have the right to retain its own counsel, but the fees and expenses of such counsel shall be at the expense of such Indemnified Person unless (i) the Indemnifying Person and the Indemnified Person shall have mutually agreed to the contrary; (ii) the Indemnifying Person has failed within a reasonable time to retain counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person; (iii) the Indemnified Person shall have reasonably concluded that there may be legal defenses available to it that are different from or in addition to those available to the Indemnifying Person; or (iv) the named parties in any such proceeding (including any impleaded parties) include both the Indemnifying Person and the Indemnified Person and representation of both parties by the same counsel would be inappropriate due to actual or potential differing interests between them. It is understood and agreed that the Indemnifying Person shall not, in connection with any proceeding or related proceeding in the same jurisdiction, be liable for the fees and expenses of more than one separate firm (in addition to any local counsel) for all Indemnified Persons, and that all such fees and expenses shall be paid or reimbursed as they are incurred. Any such separate firm for any Underwriter, its affiliates, directors and officers and any control

persons of such Underwriter shall be designated in writing by the Representatives and any such separate firm for the Company, the Guarantors, their respective directors and officers who signed the Registration Statement and any control persons of the Company and the Guarantors shall be designated in writing by the Company. The Indemnifying Person shall not be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent, but if settled with such consent or if there be a final judgment for the plaintiff, the Indemnifying Person agrees to indemnify each Indemnified Person from and against any loss or liability by reason of such settlement or judgment. No Indemnifying Person shall, without the written consent of the Indemnified Person, effect any settlement of any pending or threatened proceeding in respect of which any Indemnified Person is or could have been a party and indemnification could have been sought hereunder by such Indemnified Person, unless such settlement (x) includes an unconditional release of such Indemnified Person, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to such Indemnified Person, from all liability on claims that are the subject matter of such proceeding and (y) does not include any statement as to or any admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act by or on behalf of any Indemnified Person.

(d) *Contribution.* If the indemnification provided for in paragraph (a) or (b) above is unavailable to an Indemnified Person or insufficient in respect of any losses, claims, damages or liabilities referred to therein, then each Indemnifying Person under such paragraph, in lieu of indemnifying such Indemnified Person thereunder, shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such Indemnified Person as a result of such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (i) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company and the Guarantors on the one hand and the Underwriters on the other from the offering of the Securities or (ii) if the allocation provided by clause (i) is not permitted by applicable law, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only the relative benefits referred to in clause (i) but also the relative fault of the Company and the Guarantors on the one hand and the Underwriters on the other in connection with the statements or omissions that resulted in such losses, claims, damages or liabilities, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative benefits received by the Company and the Guarantors on the one hand and the Underwriters on the other shall be deemed to be in the same respective proportions as the net proceeds (before deducting expenses) received by the Company and the Guarantors from the sale of the Securities and the total underwriting discounts and commissions received by the Underwriters in connection therewith, in each case as set forth in the table on the cover of the Prospectus, bear to the aggregate offering price of the Securities. The relative fault of the Company and the Guarantors on the one hand and the Underwriters on the other shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the Company or any Guarantor or by the Underwriters and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission.

(e) *Limitation on Liability.* The Company, the Guarantors and the Underwriters agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this Section 7 were determined by pro rata allocation (even if the Underwriters were treated as one entity for such purpose) or by any other method of allocation that does not take account of the

equitable considerations referred to in paragraph (d) above. The amount paid or payable by an Indemnified Person as a result of the losses, claims, damages and liabilities referred to in paragraph (d) above shall be deemed to include, subject to the limitations set forth above, any legal or other reasonable expenses incurred by such Indemnified Person in connection with any such action or claim. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 7, in no event shall an Underwriter be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total underwriting discounts and commissions received by such Underwriter with respect to the offering of the Securities exceeds the amount of any damages that such Underwriter has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission. No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. The Underwriters' obligations to contribute pursuant to this Section 7 are several in proportion to their respective purchase obligations hereunder and not joint.

(f) *Non-Exclusive Remedies.* The remedies provided for in this Section 7 are not exclusive and shall not limit any rights or remedies that may otherwise be available to any Indemnified Person at law or in equity.

8. Effectiveness of Agreement. This Agreement shall become effective as of the date first written above.

9. Termination. This Agreement may be terminated in the absolute discretion of the Representatives, by notice to the Company, if after the execution and delivery of this Agreement and on or prior to the Closing Date (i) trading generally shall have been suspended or materially limited on the New York Stock Exchange or the over-the-counter market; (ii) trading of any securities issued or guaranteed by the Company or any of the Guarantors shall have been suspended on any exchange or in any over-the-counter market; (iii) a general moratorium on commercial banking activities shall have been declared by federal or New York State authorities; or (iv) there shall have occurred any outbreak or escalation of hostilities or any change in financial markets or any calamity or crisis, either within or outside the United States, that, in the judgment of the Representatives, is material and adverse and makes it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the offering, sale or delivery of the Securities on the terms and in the manner contemplated by this Agreement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus.

10. Defaulting Underwriter.

(a) If, on the Closing Date, any Underwriter defaults on its obligation to purchase the Securities that it has agreed to purchase hereunder, the non-defaulting Underwriters may in their discretion arrange for the purchase of such Securities by other persons satisfactory to the Company on the terms contained in this Agreement. If, within 36 hours after any such default by any Underwriter, the non-defaulting Underwriters do not arrange for the purchase of such Securities, then the Company shall be entitled to a further period of 36 hours within which to procure other persons satisfactory to the non-defaulting Underwriters to purchase such Securities on such terms. If other persons become obligated or agree to purchase the Securities of a defaulting Underwriter, either

the non-defaulting Underwriters or the Company may postpone the Closing Date for up to five full business days in order to effect any changes that in the opinion of counsel for the Company or counsel for the Underwriters may be necessary in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus or in any other document or arrangement, and the Company agrees to promptly prepare any amendment or supplement to the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus that effects any such changes. As used in this Agreement, the term “Underwriter” includes, for all purposes of this Agreement unless the context otherwise requires, any person not listed in Schedule 1 hereto that, pursuant to this Section 10, purchases Securities that a defaulting Underwriter agreed but failed to purchase.

(b) If, after giving effect to any arrangements for the purchase of the Securities of a defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters by the non-defaulting Underwriters and the Company as provided in paragraph (a) above, the aggregate principal amount of such Securities that remains unpurchased does not exceed one-eleventh of the aggregate principal amount of all the Securities, then the Company shall have the right to require each non-defaulting Underwriter to purchase the principal amount of Securities that such Underwriter agreed to purchase hereunder plus such Underwriter’s pro rata share (based on the principal amount of Securities that such Underwriter agreed to purchase hereunder) of the Securities of such defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters for which such arrangements have not been made.

(c) If, after giving effect to any arrangements for the purchase of the Securities of a defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters by the non-defaulting Underwriters and the Company as provided in paragraph (a) above, the aggregate principal amount of such Securities that remains unpurchased exceeds one-eleventh of the aggregate principal amount of all the Securities, or if the Company shall not exercise the right described in paragraph (b) above, then this Agreement shall terminate without liability on the part of the non-defaulting Underwriters. Any termination of this Agreement pursuant to this Section 10 shall be without liability on the part of the Company or the Guarantors, except that the Company and each of the Guarantors will continue to be liable for the payment of expenses as set forth in Section 11 hereof and except that the provisions of Section 7 hereof shall not terminate and shall remain in effect.

(d) Nothing contained herein shall relieve a defaulting Underwriter of any liability it may have to the Company, the Guarantors or any non-defaulting Underwriter for damages caused by its default.

11. Payment of Expenses.

(a) Whether or not the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are consummated or this Agreement is terminated, the Company and each of the Guarantors jointly and severally agree to pay or cause to be paid all costs and expenses incident to the performance of their respective obligations hereunder, including without limitation, (i) the costs incident to the authorization, issuance, sale, preparation and delivery of the Securities and any taxes payable in that connection; (ii) the costs incident to the preparation, printing and filing under the Securities Act of the Registration Statement, the Preliminary

Prospectus, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, any Time of Sale Information and the Prospectus (including all exhibits, amendments and supplements thereto) and the distribution thereof; (iii) the costs of reproducing and distributing each of the Transaction Documents; (iv) the fees and expenses of the Company's and the Guarantors' counsel and independent accountants; (v) the fees and expenses incurred in connection with the registration or qualification and determination of eligibility for investment of the Securities under the laws of such jurisdictions as the Representatives may designate and the preparation, printing and distribution of a Blue Sky Memorandum (including the related fees and expenses of counsel for the Underwriters); (vi) any fees charged by rating agencies for rating the Securities; (vii) the fees and expenses of the Trustee and any paying agent (including related fees and expenses of any counsel to such parties); (viii) all expenses and application fees incurred in connection with any filing with, and clearance of the offering by, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, and the approval of the Securities for book-entry transfer by DTC; and (ix) all expenses incurred by the Company in connection with any "road show" presentation to potential investors Except as provided in Section 7 and this Section 11, the Underwriters shall pay all of their own costs and expenses in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby, including, without limitation, the fees and expenses of their counsel.

(b) If (i) this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 9, (ii) the Company for any reason fails to tender the Securities for delivery to the Underwriters or (iii) the Underwriters decline to purchase the Securities for any reason permitted under this Agreement, the Company and each of the Guarantors jointly and severally agree to reimburse the Underwriters for all out-of-pocket costs and expenses (including the fees and expenses of their counsel) reasonably incurred by the Underwriters in connection with this Agreement and the offering contemplated hereby.

12. Persons Entitled to Benefit of Agreement. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors and the officers and directors and any controlling persons referred to herein, and the affiliates of each Underwriter referred to in Section 7 hereof. Nothing in this Agreement is intended or shall be construed to give any other person any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or in respect of this Agreement or any provision contained herein. No purchaser of Securities from any Underwriter shall be deemed to be a successor merely by reason of such purchase.

13. Survival. The respective indemnities, rights of contribution, representations, warranties and agreements of the Company, the Guarantors and the Underwriters contained in this Agreement or made by or on behalf of the Company, the Guarantors or the Underwriters pursuant to this Agreement or any certificate delivered pursuant hereto shall survive the delivery of and payment for the Securities and shall remain in full force and effect, regardless of any termination of this Agreement or any investigation made by or on behalf of the Company, the Guarantors or the Underwriters.

14. Certain Defined Terms. For purposes of this Agreement, (a) except where otherwise expressly provided, the term “affiliate” has the meaning set forth in Rule 405 under the Securities Act; (b) the term “business day” means any day other than a day on which banks are permitted or required to be closed in New York City; (c) the term “subsidiary” has the meaning set forth in Rule 405 under the Securities Act; and (d) the term “significant subsidiary” has the meaning set forth in Rule 1-02 of Regulation S-X under the Exchange Act.

15. Compliance with USA Patriot Act. In accordance with the requirements of the USA Patriot Act (Title III of Pub. L. 107-56 (signed into law October 26, 2001)), the Underwriters are required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies their respective clients, including the Company, which information may include the name and address of their respective clients, as well as other information that will allow the Underwriters to properly identify their respective clients.

16. Miscellaneous.

(a) *Authority of the Representatives.* Any action by the Underwriters hereunder may be taken by the Representatives on behalf of the Underwriters, and any such action taken by Representatives shall be binding upon the Underwriters.

(b) *Notices.* All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if mailed or transmitted and confirmed by any standard form of telecommunication. Notices to the Underwriters shall be given to the Representatives at J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, 383 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10179, Facsimile: (212) 834-6081, Attention: Investment Grade Syndicate Desk; BofA Securities, Inc., 114 W. 47th Street, NY8-114-07-01, New York, New York 10036, Facsimile: (212) 901-7881, Email: dg.hg_ua_notices@bofa.com, Attention: High Grade Debt Capital Markets Transaction Management/Legal; and BNP Paribas Securities Corp., 787 Seventh Avenue, 3rd Floor, New York, New York 10019, Email: DL.US.Syndicate.Support@us.bnpparibas.com, Attention: Syndicate Desk. Notices to the Company and the Guarantors shall be given to them at 2355 W. Chandler Blvd., Chandler, Arizona 85224, Facsimile: (480) 899-9210, Attention: Chief Financial Officer.

(c) *Governing Law.* This Agreement and any claim, controversy or dispute arising under or related to this Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

(d) *Submission to Jurisdiction.* The Company and each of the Guarantors hereby submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the U.S. federal and New York state courts in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any suit or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby. The Company and each of the Guarantors waive any objection which it may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any such suit or proceeding in such courts. Each of the Company and each of the Guarantors agrees that final judgment in any such suit, action or proceeding brought in such court shall be conclusive and binding upon the Company and each Guarantor, as applicable, and may be enforced in any court to the jurisdiction of which Company and each Guarantor, as applicable, is subject by a suit upon such judgment.

(e) *Waiver of Jury Trial.* Each of the parties hereto hereby waives any right to trial by jury in any suit or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement.

(f) *Recognition of the U.S. Special Resolution Regimes.*

(i) In the event that any Underwriter that is a Covered Entity becomes subject to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, the transfer from such Underwriter of this Agreement, and any interest and obligation in or under this Agreement, will be effective to the same extent as the transfer would be effective under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime if this Agreement, and any such interest and obligation, were governed by the laws of the United States or a state of the United States.

(ii) In the event that any Underwriter that is a Covered Entity or a BHC Act Affiliate of such Underwriter becomes subject to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, Default Rights under this Agreement that may be exercised against such Underwriter are permitted to be exercised to no greater extent than such Default Rights could be exercised under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime if this Agreement were governed by the laws of the United States or a state of the United States.

As used in this Section 16(f):

“BHC Act Affiliate” has the meaning assigned to the term “affiliate” in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 U.S.C. § 1841(k).

“Covered Entity” means any of the following:

- (i) a “covered entity” as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 252.82(b);
- (ii) a “covered bank” as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 47.3(b); or
- (iii) a “covered FSI” as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 382.2(b).

“Default Right” has the meaning assigned to that term in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. §§ 252.81, 47.2 or 382.1, as applicable.

“U.S. Special Resolution Regime” means each of (i) the Federal Deposit Insurance Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder and (ii) Title II of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

(g) *Counterparts*. This Agreement may be signed in counterparts (which may include counterparts delivered by any standard form of telecommunication), each of which shall be an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Electronic signatures complying with the New York Electronic Signatures and Records Act (N.Y. State Tech. §§ 301-309), as amended from time to time, or other applicable law will be deemed original signatures for purposes of this Agreement. Transmission by telecopy, electronic mail or other transmission method of an executed counterpart of this Agreement will constitute due and sufficient delivery of such counterpart.

(h) *Amendments or Waivers*. No amendment or waiver of any provision of this Agreement, nor any consent or approval to any departure therefrom, shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be in writing and signed by the parties hereto.

(i) *Headings*. The headings herein are included for convenience of reference only and are not intended to be part of, or to affect the meaning or interpretation of, this Agreement.

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

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED

By: /s/ J. Eric Bjornholt
Name: J. Eric Bjornholt
Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

MICROCHIP HOLDING CORPORATION

By: /s/ J. Eric Bjornholt
Name: J. Eric Bjornholt
Title: Chief Financial Officer

ATMEL CORPORATION

By: /s/ J. Eric Bjornholt
Name: J. Eric Bjornholt
Title: Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

MICROSEMI CORPORATION

By: /s/ J. Eric Bjornholt
Name: J. Eric Bjornholt
Title: Chief Financial Officer

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MICROSEMI STORAGE SOLUTIONS, INC.

By: /s/ J. Eric Bjornholt
Name: J. Eric Bjornholt
Title: Chief Financial Officer

SILICON STORAGE TECHNOLOGY, INC.

By: /s/ J. Eric Bjornholt
Name: J. Eric Bjornholt
Title: Chief Financial Officer

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY LLC

By: Microchip Technology Incorporated, its sole member

By: /s/ J. Eric Bjornholt
Name: J. Eric Bjornholt
Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

[Signature page to Underwriting Agreement]

Accepted: As of the date first written above

J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC
BNP PARIBAS SECURITIES CORP.
BOFA SECURITIES, INC.

For themselves and on behalf of the several
Underwriters listed in Schedule 1 hereto.

J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC

By: /s/ Som Bhattacharyya
Name: Som Bhattacharyya
Title: Executive Director

BNP PARIBAS SECURITIES CORP.

By: /s/ B. Campbell Andersen
Name: B. Campbell Andersen
Title: Managing Director

BOFA SECURITIES, INC.

By: /s/ Jon Klein
Name: Jon Klein
Title: Managing Director

[Signature page to Underwriting Agreement]

Underwriters

Underwriter	Principal Amount
J.P. Morgan Securities LLC	\$ 200,000,000
BNP Paribas Securities Corp.	\$ 152,500,000
BofA Securities, Inc.	\$ 152,500,000
Truist Securities, Inc.	\$ 50,000,000
Wells Fargo Securities, LLC	\$ 50,000,000
Siebert Williams Shank & Co., LLC	\$ 45,000,000
Mizuho Securities USA LLC	\$ 40,000,000
MUFG Securities Americas Inc.	\$ 40,000,000
RBC Capital Markets LLC	\$ 40,000,000
Scotia Capital (USA) Inc.	\$ 40,000,000
SMBC Nikko Securities America, Inc.	\$ 40,000,000
TD Securities (USA) LLC	\$ 40,000,000
BMO Capital Markets Corp.	\$ 30,000,000
U.S. Bancorp Investments, Inc.	\$ 30,000,000
Citizens JMP Securities, LLC	\$ 20,000,000
Fifth Third Securities, Inc.	\$ 20,000,000
PNC Capital Markets LLC	\$ 10,000,000
Total	\$ 1,000,000,000

Guarantors

1. Atmel Corporation, a Delaware corporation
2. Microchip Holding Corporation, a Delaware corporation
3. Microchip Technology LLC, a Delaware limited liability company
4. Microsemi Corporation, a Delaware corporation
5. Microsemi Storage Solutions, Inc., a Delaware corporation
6. Silicon Storage Technology, Inc., a California corporation

Significant Subsidiaries

<u>Entity Name</u>	<u>Jurisdiction of Incorporation</u>
MBarb Malta Limited	Malta
Microchip Technology LLC	USA (Delaware)
Microsemi Corp. – Holding	Cayman Islands
Microsemi Corp. – Holding 2	Cayman Islands
Microsemi Corporation	USA (Delaware)
Microsemi SoC Corp.	USA (California)
Microchip Communications, LLC	USA (Delaware)
Microsemi Storage Solutions, Inc.	USA (Delaware)
Microchip Malta BMD Limited	Ireland
Microchip Technology Ireland Limited	Ireland
Microchip Technology Malta Limited	Ireland
Microchip Technology Caldicot Limited	United Kingdom
Microchip Technology (Thailand) Co. Ltd.	Thailand
Microsemi Solutions Sdn. Bhd.	Malaysia

Issuer Free Writing Prospectus deemed part of the Time of Sale Information

- Pricing Term Sheet, dated March 5, 2024, substantially in the form of Annex B.

Pricing Term Sheet

[See attached]

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Microchip Technology Incorporated
\$1,000,000,000 5.050% Senior Notes due 2029

This pricing term sheet is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement, dated March 5, 2024 (the “Preliminary Prospectus Supplement”). The information in this pricing term sheet supplements the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement and updates and supersedes the information in the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement to the extent it is inconsistent with the information in the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement. Terms used and not defined herein have the meanings assigned in the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement.

Issuer:	Microchip Technology Incorporated
Guarantors:	Each of our existing and future subsidiaries that on the Issue Date is or thereafter becomes an obligor under our Senior Credit Facilities.
Security description:	5.050% Senior Notes due 2029 (the “Notes”)
Principal amount:	\$1,000,000,000
Maturity:	March 15, 2029
Coupon:	5.050%
Price to the Public (Issue Price):	99.823% of face amount
Yield to maturity:	5.090%
Spread to Benchmark Treasury:	+95 basis points
Benchmark Treasury:	UST 4.250% due February 28, 2029
Benchmark Treasury Price and Yield:	100-15 3/4 / 4.140%
Interest Payment Dates:	March 15 and September 15, commencing September 15, 2024
Day Count Convention:	30/360
Par Call Date:	February 15, 2029

Redemption at Issuer's Option:	Prior to the Par Call Date, the Issuer may redeem the Notes at its option, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, at a redemption price (expressed as a percentage of principal amount and rounded to three decimal places) equal to the greater of: (1) (a) the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest thereon discounted to the redemption date (assuming such Notes matured on the Par Call Date) on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Treasury Rate plus 15 basis points less (b) interest accrued to the date of redemption, and (2) 100% of the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed, plus, in either case, accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but excluding, the redemption date. On or after the Par Call Date, the Issuer may redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of such Notes being redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but excluding, the redemption date.
Change of Control:	Upon the occurrence of a change of control repurchase event, the Issuer must offer to repurchase all or any part of the Notes at a repurchase price in cash equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes repurchased, plus any accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the repurchase date.
Denominations:	\$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.
CUSIP / ISIN:	595017BE3 / US595017BE37
Trade Date:	March 5, 2024
Settlement Date:	T+2; March 7, 2024
Ratings:*	[Reserved]
Joint book-running managers:	J.P. Morgan Securities LLC BNP Paribas Securities Corp. BofA Securities, Inc.
Joint book runners:	Truist Securities, Inc. Wells Fargo Securities, LLC
Co-managers:	Siebert Williams Shank & Co., LLC Mizuho Securities USA LLC MUFG Securities Americas Inc. RBC Capital Markets LLC Scotia Capital (USA) Inc. SMBC Nikko Securities America, Inc. TD Securities (USA) LLC BMO Capital Markets Corp. U.S. Bancorp Investments, Inc. Citizens JMP Securities, LLC Fifth Third Securities, Inc. PNC Capital Markets LLC

* A securities rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time.

The Issuer has filed a registration statement (No. 333-277512) (including a prospectus, dated February 29, 2024) and a preliminary prospectus supplement dated March 5, 2024 with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") for the offering to which this communication relates. Before you invest, you should read the prospectus in that registration statement, the prospectus supplement and other documents the Issuer has filed with the SEC for more complete information about the Issuer and this offering. You may obtain these documents for free by visiting EDGAR on the SEC website at www.sec.gov. Alternatively, copies of the preliminary prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus may be obtained from: J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, c/o Broadridge Financial Solutions, Attn: Prospectus Department, 1155 Long Island Avenue, Edgewood, NY 11717, by telephone: 1-866-803-9204 (toll free); BNP Paribas Securities Corp., by telephone: 1-800-854-5674 (toll free); or BofA Securities, Inc., by telephone 1-800-294-1322 (toll free) or by emailing: dg.prospectus_requests@bofa.com.

Any disclaimer or other notice that may appear below is not applicable to this communication and should be disregarded. Such disclaimer or notice was automatically generated as a result of this communication being sent by Bloomberg or another email system.

Form of Opinion of Counsel for the Company and the Guarantors

[Circulated under separate cover]

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED,
as Issuer

EACH OF THE GUARANTORS FROM TIME TO TIME PARTY HERETO,
as Guarantors

and

COMPUTERSHARE TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
as Trustee

First Supplemental Indenture

Dated as of March 7, 2024

to the

Indenture

Dated as of February 29, 2024

5.050% Senior Notes due 2029

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EXHIBIT A

Form of Global Note

EXHIBIT B

Form of Supplemental Indenture to Add Guarantors

FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE, dated as of March 7, 2024 (“Supplemental Indenture”), to the Indenture, dated as of February 29, 2024 (as amended, modified or supplemented from time to time in accordance therewith, other than with respect to a particular series of debt securities, the “Base Indenture” and, as amended, modified and supplemented by this Supplemental Indenture, the “Indenture”), by and among Microchip Technology Incorporated, a Delaware corporation (the “Company”), the Guarantors party hereto from time to time and Computershare Trust Company, National Association, as trustee (the “Trustee”).

Each party agrees as follows for the benefit of the other parties and for the equal and ratable benefit of the Holders of the Notes:

WHEREAS, the Company has duly authorized the execution and delivery of the Base Indenture to provide for the issuance from time to time of senior debt securities as provided in the Base Indenture;

WHEREAS, the Company has duly authorized the execution and delivery, and desires and has requested the Trustee to join it in the execution and delivery, of this Supplemental Indenture in order to establish and provide for the issuance by the Company of Notes designated as its 5.050% Senior Notes due 2029 (the “Notes”) on the terms set forth herein;

WHEREAS, the Guarantors party hereto have duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Supplemental Indenture as Guarantors of the Notes and the issuance of the Guarantees;

WHEREAS, Section 9.1 of the Base Indenture provides that a supplemental indenture may be entered into by the parties for such purpose without notice to or the consent of any Holder; *provided* certain conditions are met;

WHEREAS, the conditions set forth in the Base Indenture for the execution and delivery of this Supplemental Indenture have been met; and

WHEREAS, all things necessary to make this Supplemental Indenture a valid and binding agreement of the parties, in accordance with its terms, and a valid amendment of, and supplement to, the Base Indenture with respect to the Notes have been done.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the premises contained herein, each party agrees for the benefit of each other party and for the equal and ratable benefit of the Holders of the Notes, as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS AND OTHER PROVISIONS OF GENERAL APPLICATION

Section 1.01 Definitions. Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein have the meanings assigned to them in the Base Indenture. To the extent terms are defined in both this Supplemental Indenture and the Base Indenture, the applicable definition in this Supplemental Indenture shall control. The words “herein,” “hereof” and “hereby” and other words of similar import used in this Supplemental Indenture refer to this Supplemental Indenture as a whole and not to any particular section hereof.

As used herein, the following terms have the specified meanings:

“Additional Notes” has the meaning specified in Section 3.03 of this Supplemental Indenture.

“Agent Members” has the meaning specified in Section 2.01(b)(ii) of this Supplemental Indenture.

“Attributable Debt” means, with respect to any sale and leaseback transaction, at the time of determination, the lesser of (1) the fair market value of the Property (as determined in good faith by a Senior Officer of the Company) subject to such transaction, and (2) the total obligation (discounted to the present value at the implicit interest factor, determined in accordance with GAAP, included in the rental payments) of the lessee for rental payments (other than amounts required to be paid on account of property taxes as well as maintenance, repairs, insurance, water rates and other items which do not constitute payments for property rights) during the remaining portion of the base term of the lease included in such transaction. In the case of any lease which is terminable by the lessee upon the payment of a penalty, such present value shall be the lesser of (i) the present value determined assuming termination upon the first date such lease may be terminated (in which case the present value shall also include the amount of the penalty, but shall not include any rent that would be required to be paid under such lease subsequent to the first date upon which it may be terminated), and (ii) the present value assuming no such termination.

“Base Indenture” has the meaning specified in the recitals of this Supplemental Indenture.

“Change of Control” means the occurrence of any of the following: (1) the direct or indirect sale, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (other than by way of merger or consolidation), in one or a series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, to any “person” (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) other than to the Company or one of its Subsidiaries; (2) the adoption of a plan by the Board of Directors relating to the Company’s liquidation or dissolution; (3) the consummation of any transaction (including, without limitation, any merger or consolidation) the result of which is that any person becomes the “beneficial owner” (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the aggregate of the total voting power of the Company’s Voting Shares or other Voting Shares into which the Company’s Voting Shares are reclassified, consolidated, exchanged or changed, measured by voting power rather than number of shares; *provided, however*, that (x) a person shall not be deemed the beneficial owner of, or to own beneficially, (A) any securities tendered pursuant to a tender or exchange offer made by or on behalf of such person or any Affiliates of such person until such tendered securities are accepted for purchase or exchange thereunder, or (B) any securities if such beneficial ownership (i) arises solely as a result of a revocable proxy delivered in response to a proxy or consent solicitation made pursuant to the applicable rules and regulations under the Exchange Act, and (ii) is not also then reportable on Schedule 13D (or any successor schedule) under the Exchange Act and (y) a transaction will not be deemed to involve a change of control under this clause (3) if (A) the Company becomes a direct or indirect wholly-owned Subsidiary of a holding company and (B)(i) the direct or indirect holders of the Voting Shares of such holding company immediately following that transaction are substantially the same as the holders of the Company’s Voting Shares immediately prior to that transaction and each holder holds substantially the same

percentage of Voting Shares of such holding company as such holder held of the Company's shares immediately prior to that transaction or (ii) the Company's Voting Shares outstanding immediately prior to such transaction are converted into or exchanged for, a majority of the voting stock of such holding company immediately after giving effect to such transaction; or (4) the Company consolidates with, or merges with or into, any person, or any person consolidates with, or merges with or into, the Company, in any such event pursuant to a transaction in which any of the outstanding Voting Shares of the Company or such other person is converted into or exchanged for cash, securities or other property, other than any such transaction where the Company's Voting Shares outstanding immediately prior to such transaction constitute, or are converted into or exchanged for, a majority of the Voting Shares (measured by voting power) of the surviving person or any direct or indirect parent company of any surviving person immediately after giving effect to such transaction; *provided, however*, that a merger of the Company with any of its Subsidiaries solely for the purpose of reincorporating the Company in another jurisdiction within the United States shall not constitute a "Change of Control."

"Change of Control Notice" has the meaning specified in Section 4.02(a) of this Supplemental Indenture.

"Change of Control Offer" has the meaning specified in Section 4.02(a) of this Supplemental Indenture.

"Change of Control Payment Date" has the meaning specified in Section 4.02(a) of this Supplemental Indenture.

"Change of Control Repurchase Event" means the occurrence of both a Change of Control and a Ratings Event.

"Clearstream" means Clearstream Banking S.A.

"Company" means the party named as such in the recitals of this Supplemental Indenture until a successor replaces it pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Indenture and thereafter means the successor.

"Consolidated Net Tangible Assets" means, as of any date of determination, the total assets less (a) all current liabilities (excluding any notes or loans payable within 12 months, the current portion of long-term debt, deferred net revenue, obligations under operating and finance leases, and the portion of any convertible debt classified as "current" despite having a stated maturity more than 12 months from the date as of which the amount thereof is being computed) and (b) the value of all goodwill, trade names, trademarks, service marks, patents, unamortized debt discount and expense and other intangible assets, all as shown on or reflected in the Company's most recent consolidated balance sheet (including, without duplication, the notes related thereto) prepared in accordance with GAAP.

"Custodian" means any receiver, trustee, assignee, liquidator or similar official under any Bankruptcy Law.

"Defaulted Interest" means any interest on any Note which is payable, but not punctually paid or duly provided for, on any Interest Payment Date.

“DTC participants” has the meaning specified in Section 2.01 of this Supplemental Indenture.

“Euroclear” means Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V.

“Event of Default” has the meaning specified in Section 5.04 of this Supplemental Indenture.

“Fitch” means Fitch Ratings, Inc. and its successors.

“Foreign Subsidiary” means, with respect to any person, any Subsidiary of such person other than a Subsidiary that is organized or existing under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia.

“GAAP” means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America in effect from time to time.

“guarantee” means any obligation, contingent or otherwise, of any person directly or indirectly guaranteeing any Indebtedness of any other person and any obligation, direct or indirect, contingent or otherwise, of such person (1) to purchase or pay (or advance or supply funds for the purchase or payment of) such Indebtedness of such other person (whether arising by virtue of partnership arrangements, or by agreement to keep well, to purchase assets, goods, securities or services, to take or pay or to maintain financial statement conditions or otherwise) or (2) entered into for purposes of assuring in any other manner the obligee of such Indebtedness of the payment thereof or to protect such obligee against loss in respect thereof (in whole or in part); *provided, however*, that the term “guarantee” shall not include endorsements for collection or deposit in the ordinary course of business. The term “guarantee,” when used as a verb, has a correlative meaning.

“Global Notes Legend” means the legend set forth under that caption in Exhibit A to this Supplemental Indenture.

“Guarantee” means any guarantee of payment of the Notes and the Company’s other obligations under the Indenture and the Notes by a Guarantor in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture.

“Guarantor” means any person that provides a Guarantee of the Notes under the Indenture until the date that such person is released from its guarantee pursuant to Section 7.02 hereof.

“Hedging Obligations” means, with respect to any specified person, the obligations of such person under: (1) interest rate swap agreements (whether from fixed to floating or from floating to fixed), interest rate cap agreements and interest rate collar agreements; (2) other agreements or arrangements designed to manage interest rates or interest rate risk; and (3) other agreements or arrangements designed to protect such person against fluctuations in currency exchange rates or commodity prices.

“Indebtedness” means, with respect to any person, indebtedness of such person for borrowed money, including notes, bonds, debentures or other similar instruments but excluding Non-recourse Obligations, if and to the extent the same would appear as a liability on a balance sheet (excluding footnotes thereto) of such person under GAAP.

The amount of any Indebtedness outstanding as of any date will be:

- (1) the accreted value of the Indebtedness, in the case of any Indebtedness that does not require the current payment of interest;
- (2) the principal amount of the Indebtedness, in the case of any other Indebtedness; and
- (3) in respect of Indebtedness of another person secured by a Lien on the assets of the specified person, the lesser of: (a) the fair value (as determined in good faith by a Senior Officer of the Company) of such assets at the date of determination; and (b) the principal amount of the Indebtedness secured by such Lien.

In addition, accrual of interest and accretion or amortization of original issue discount will not be deemed to be an incurrence of Indebtedness for any purpose under the Indenture.

“Indenture” has the meaning specified in the recitals of this Supplemental Indenture.

“Initial Notes” has the meaning set forth in Section 3.01(a) of this Supplemental Indenture.

“Interest Payment Date” has the meaning specified in Section 3.01(c) of this Supplemental Indenture.

“Investment Grade” means a rating of BBB- or better by Fitch (or its equivalent under any successor rating categories of Fitch); a rating of Baa3 or better by Moody’s (or its equivalent under any successor rating categories of Moody’s); a rating of BBB- or better by S&P (or its equivalent under any successor rating categories of S&P); or, if applicable, the equivalent investment grade credit rating from any Substitute Rating Agency appointed in accordance with the proviso to the definition of “Rating Agency.”

“Issue Date” means March 7, 2024.

“Lien” means any mortgage, lien, pledge, charge, or similar security interest or encumbrance of any kind (including any conditional sale or other title retention agreement and any lease in the nature thereof); provided, however, that in no event shall either (i) any legal or equitable encumbrance deemed to exist by the sole reason of a negative pledge or (ii) an operating lease or a non-exclusive license be deemed to constitute a Lien.

“Moody’s” means Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. and its successors.

“Non-recourse Obligation” means Indebtedness or other obligations substantially related to (1) the acquisition of assets not previously owned by the Company, any Guarantor or any direct or indirect Subsidiaries of the Company or any Guarantor or (2) the financing of a project involving the development or expansion of the Company’s properties or properties of any Guarantor or any direct or indirect Subsidiaries of the Company or any Guarantor, as to which the obligee with respect to such indebtedness or obligation has no recourse (other than for limited recourse

provisions that are customary in transactions in which the primary recourse is to the project property) to the Company or any direct or indirect Subsidiary of the Company or any Guarantor's or such Subsidiary's assets other than the assets which were acquired with the proceeds of such transaction or the project financed with the proceeds of such transaction (and the proceeds thereof).

"Notes" has the meaning specified in the recitals of this Supplemental Indenture.

"Notice" has the meaning specified in Section 8.01 of this Supplemental Indenture.

"Par Call Date" means February 15, 2029.

"person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, joint-stock company, trust, unincorporated organization, government or any agency or political subdivision thereof or any other entity.

"Property" means the land, land improvements, buildings and fixtures (to the extent they constitute real property interests) (including any leasehold interest therein) constituting the principal corporate office, any research and development office or any manufacturing facility (whether now owned or hereafter acquired), in each case, located in the United States which (a) is owned by the Company, any Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary; and (b) has a net book value on the date as of which the determination is being made in excess of 1% of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets as most recently determined on or prior to such date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Property does not include any such property that the Company's board of directors has determined not to be of material importance to the business conducted by the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole.

"Rating Agency" means each of Fitch, Moody's and S&P; *provided* that if any of Fitch, Moody's or S&P ceases to rate the Notes or fails to make a rating of the Notes publicly available, "Rating Agency" shall include a "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" as defined in Section 3(a) (62) of the Exchange Act appointed by the Company as a substitute for such rating agency (a "Substitute Rating Agency").

"Ratings Event" means that the Notes cease to be rated Investment Grade by at least two of the three Rating Agencies on any day during the Trigger Period. If any of the Rating Agencies is not providing a rating of the Notes on any day during the Trigger Period for any reason (subject, for the avoidance of doubt, to the Company's right to engage a Substitute Rating Agency as provided herein), the rating of such Rating Agency for the Notes shall be deemed to have ceased to be Investment Grade during the Trigger Period.

"Record Date" has the meaning specified in Section 3.01(c) of this Supplemental Indenture.

"Restricted Subsidiary" means any direct or indirect Subsidiary of the Company or any Guarantor that (1) is organized or existing under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia (other than any such Subsidiary that is a direct or indirect Subsidiary of one or more of the Company's Foreign sSubsidiaries) and (2) which owns Property in the United States.

“S&P” means S&P Global Ratings, a division of S&P Global Inc., and its successors.

“Securities Act” means the U.S. Securities Act of 1933 and any statute successor thereto, in each case as amended from time to time.

“Senior Credit Facilities” means the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of December 16, 2021, by and among the Company, the lenders party thereto and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, as the same may be amended, restated, modified, renewed, refunded, replaced or refinanced in whole or in part from time to time.

“Senior Officer” of any specified person means the chief executive officer or chief financial officer of such person.

“Subsidiary” of any specified person means any corporation, limited liability company, limited partnership, association or other business entity of which more than 50% of the total voting power of shares of capital stock entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of directors, managers or trustees thereof is at the time owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by such person or one or more of the other Subsidiaries of that person or a combination thereof.

“Substitute Rating Agency” has the meaning set forth in the definition of “Rating Agency.”

“Supplemental Indenture” has the meaning specified in the recitals of this Supplemental Indenture.

“Treasury Rate” means, with respect to any redemption date pursuant to Section 4.01 of this Supplemental Indenture, the yield determined in accordance with the following two paragraphs.

The Treasury Rate shall be determined by the Company after 4:15 p.m., New York City time (or after such time as yields on U.S. government securities are posted daily by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System), on the third Business Day preceding the redemption date based upon the yield or yields for the most recent day that appear after such time on such day in the most recent statistical release published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System designated as “Selected Interest Rates (Daily) — H.15” (or any successor designation or publication) (“H.15”) under the caption “U.S. government securities — Treasury constant maturities — Nominal” (or any successor caption or heading) (“H.15 TCM”). In determining the Treasury Rate, the Company shall select, as applicable: (1) the yield for the Treasury constant maturity on H.15 exactly equal to the period from the redemption date to the Par Call Date (the “Remaining Life”); or (2) if there is no such Treasury constant maturity on H.15 exactly equal to the Remaining Life, the two yields — one yield corresponding to the Treasury constant maturity on H.15 immediately shorter than and one yield corresponding to the Treasury constant maturity on H.15 immediately longer than the Remaining Life — and shall interpolate to the Par Call Date on a straight-line basis (using the actual number of days) using such yields and rounding the result to three decimal places; or (3) if there is no such Treasury constant maturity on H.15 shorter than or longer than the Remaining Life, the yield for the single Treasury constant maturity on H.15 closest to the Remaining Life. For purposes of this paragraph, the applicable Treasury constant maturity or maturities on H.15 shall be deemed to have a maturity date equal to the relevant number of months or years, as applicable, of such Treasury constant maturity from the redemption date.

If on the third Business Day preceding the redemption date H.15 TCM is no longer published, the Company shall calculate the Treasury Rate based on the rate per annum equal to the semi-annual equivalent yield to maturity at 11:00 a.m., New York City time, on the second Business Day preceding such redemption date of the United States Treasury security maturing on, or with a maturity that is closest to, the Par Call Date, as applicable. If there is no United States Treasury security maturing on the Par Call Date but there are two or more United States Treasury securities with a maturity date equally distant from the Par Call Date, one with a maturity date preceding the Par Call Date and one with a maturity date following the Par Call Date, the Company shall select the United States Treasury security with a maturity date preceding the Par Call Date. If there are two or more United States Treasury securities maturing on the Par Call Date or two or more United States Treasury securities meeting the criteria of the preceding sentence, the Company shall select from among these two or more United States Treasury securities the United States Treasury security that is trading closest to par based upon the average of the bid and asked prices for such United States Treasury securities at 11:00 a.m., New York City time. In determining the Treasury Rate in accordance with the terms of this paragraph, the semi-annual yield to maturity of the applicable United States Treasury security shall be based upon the average of the bid and asked prices (expressed as a percentage of principal amount) at 11:00 a.m., New York City time, of such United States Treasury security, and rounded to three decimal places.

“Trigger Period” means the period commencing on the earlier of (a) the first public notice of the occurrence of a Change of Control or (b) the public announcement by the Company of its intention to effect a Change of Control, and ending 60 days following consummation of such Change of Control (which period shall be extended so long as the rating of the Notes is under publicly announced consideration for a possible rating downgrade by any of the Rating Agencies on such 60th day, such extension to last with respect to each such Rating Agency until the date on which such Rating Agency considering such possible rating downgrade either (x) rates the Notes below Investment Grade or (y) publicly announces that it is no longer considering the Notes for a possible downgrade).

“Voting Shares” of any specified “person” (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) as of any date means the shares, interests, participants, rights or other equivalents (however designated) of such person that is at the time entitled to vote generally in the election of the board of directors of such person.

Section 1.02 Relationship with Base Indenture. The terms and provisions contained in this Supplemental Indenture will constitute, and are hereby expressly made, a part of the Base Indenture and the Company, the Guarantors and the Trustee, by their execution and delivery of this Supplemental Indenture, expressly agree to such terms and provisions and to be bound thereby; *provided, however*, that the provisions of this Supplemental Indenture shall apply solely with respect to the Notes and that, except as expressly supplemented hereby with respect to the Notes, the Base Indenture shall continue in full force and effect and is in all respects confirmed, ratified and preserved. The Base Indenture and this Supplemental Indenture shall be read, taken and construed as one and the same instrument. In the event that any provision of this Supplemental Indenture expressly limits, qualifies or conflicts with a provision of the Base Indenture, such provision of this Supplemental Indenture shall control.

ARTICLE II
FORM OF NOTES

Section 2.01 *Form of Notes.*

(a) The Notes shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit A attached hereto (other than, with respect to any Additional Notes, changes related to the issue price, issue date, the payment of interest accruing prior to the issue date of such Additional Notes and the first Interest Payment Date of such Additional Notes). The Notes may have notations, legends or endorsements required by law, rule or usage to which the Company is subject. Each Note shall be dated the date of its authentication.

(i) Initial Notes shall be in the form of one or more permanent global securities in fully registered form (each a “Global Note” and, collectively, the “Global Notes”) without interest coupons and with the Global Notes Legend set forth in Exhibit A to this Supplemental Indenture. Ownership of beneficial interests in each Global Note will be limited to persons who have accounts with DTC (“DTC participants”) or persons who hold interests through DTC participants. The aggregate principal amount of the Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee and the Depositary or its nominee as hereinafter provided.

(b) This Section 2.01(b) shall apply only to a Global Note deposited with or on behalf of the Depositary.

(i) The Company shall execute and the Trustee shall, in accordance with this Section 2.01(b), authenticate and deliver one or more Global Notes that (A) shall be registered in the name of the Depositary for such Global Note or the nominee of such Depositary and (B) shall be delivered by the Trustee to such Depositary or pursuant to such Depositary’s instructions or held by the Trustee as custodian for the Depositary.

(ii) Members of, or participants in, the Depositary (“Agent Members”) shall have no rights under this Supplemental Indenture with respect to any Global Note held on their behalf by the Depositary or by the Trustee as custodian for the Depositary or under such Global Note, and the Company, the Trustee and any agent of the Company or the Trustee shall be entitled to treat the Depositary as the absolute owner of such Global Note for all purposes whatsoever. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall prevent the Company, the Trustee or any agent of the Company or the Trustee from giving effect to any written certification, proxy or other authorization furnished by the Depositary or impair, as between the Depositary and its Agent Members, the operation of customary practices of such Depositary governing the exercise of the rights of a Holder of a beneficial interest in any Global Note.

(iii) None of the Trustee, any agent of the Trustee, any Paying Agent or the Registrar shall have any obligation or duty to monitor, determine, confirm or inquire as to compliance with any restrictions on transfer imposed under this Supplemental Indenture or under applicable law with respect to any transfer of any interest in any Note (including any transfers between or among Agent Members or beneficial owners in any Global Note) other than to require delivery of such certificates and other documentation or evidence as are expressly required by, and to do so if and when expressly required by, the terms of this Supplemental Indenture, and to examine the same to determine substantial compliance as to form with the express requirements hereof.

(c) If at any time the Depositary notifies the Company that it is unwilling, unable or no longer qualified to continue as Depositary for the Global Notes, the Company shall use reasonable efforts to appoint a successor Depositary with respect to such Global Notes. If (i) a successor Depositary for such Global Notes is not appointed within 90 days after the Company receives such notice or becomes aware of such ineligibility, (ii) the Company, at its option, notifies the Trustee that it elects to cause the issuance of Notes in definitive form, or (iii) there shall have occurred and be continuing an Event of Default and the Depositary notifies the Trustee of its decision to exchange the Global Notes for Notes in definitive form, the Company shall execute, and the Trustee, upon receipt of an Officer's Certificate of the Company directing the authentication and delivery thereof, will authenticate and deliver to each Holder of a beneficial interest in the Global Notes, Notes in definitive form in any authorized denominations in an aggregate principal amount equal to the principal amount of such Global Notes in exchange for such Global Notes.

(d) Except as provided in Section 2.01(c) and Section 2.02 hereof, owners of beneficial interests in Global Notes shall not be entitled to receive physical delivery of Notes in definitive form.

(e) The terms and provisions contained in the Notes shall constitute, and are expressly made, a part of this Supplemental Indenture and, to the extent applicable, the Company and the Trustee, by their execution and delivery of this Supplemental Indenture, expressly agree to such terms and provisions and agree to be bound thereby. If there is any conflict between the terms of the Notes and this Supplemental Indenture, the terms of this Supplemental Indenture shall govern.

(f) The Notes may be presented for registration of transfer and exchange at the offices of the Registrar.

Section 2.02 *Special Transfer Provisions.*

(a) *Restrictions on Transfer of a Note in Definitive Form for a Beneficial Interest in a Global Note.* A definitive Note may not be exchanged for a beneficial interest in a Global Note except upon satisfaction of the requirements set forth in this Section 2.02. Upon receipt by the Trustee of a definitive Note, duly endorsed or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form reasonably satisfactory to the Company and the Registrar, together with:

(i) written instructions directing the Trustee to make, or to direct the Custodian to make, an adjustment on its books and records with respect to such Global Note to reflect an increase in the aggregate principal amount of the Notes represented by the Global Note, such instructions to contain information regarding the Depositary account to be credited with such increase, then the Trustee shall cancel such definitive Note and cause, in

accordance with the standing instructions and procedures existing between the Depositary and the Trustee, the aggregate principal amount of Notes represented by the Global Note to be increased by the aggregate principal amount of the definitive Note to be exchanged and shall credit or cause to be credited to the account of the person specified in such instructions a beneficial interest in the Global Note equal to the principal amount of the definitive Note so canceled. If no Global Notes are then outstanding and the Global Note has not been previously exchanged for definitive Notes pursuant to Section 2.02 hereof, the Company shall issue and the Trustee shall authenticate, upon receipt of a Company Order, a new Global Note in the appropriate principal amount.

(b) Transfer and Exchange of Global Notes.

(i) The transfer and exchange of Global Notes or beneficial interests therein shall be effected through the Depositary, in accordance with this Supplemental Indenture (including applicable restrictions on transfer set forth herein, if any) and the procedures of the Depositary therefor. A transferor of a beneficial interest in a Global Note shall deliver a written order given in accordance with the Depositary's procedures containing information regarding the participant account of the Depositary to be credited with a beneficial interest in such Global Note or another Global Note and such account shall be credited in accordance with such order with a beneficial interest in the applicable Global Note and the account of the person making the transfer shall be debited by an amount equal to the beneficial interest in the Global Note being transferred.

(ii) If the proposed transfer is a transfer of a beneficial interest in one Global Note to a beneficial interest in another Global Note, the Registrar shall reflect on its books and records the date and an increase in the principal amount of the Global Note to which such interest is being transferred in an amount equal to the principal amount of the interest to be so transferred, and the Registrar shall reflect on its books and records the date and a corresponding decrease in the principal amount of the Global Note from which such interest is being transferred.

(iii) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Supplemental Indenture, a Global Note may not be transferred as a whole except by the Depositary to a nominee of the Depositary or by a nominee of the Depositary to the Depositary or another nominee of the Depositary or by the Depositary or any such nominee to a successor Depositary or a nominee of such successor Depositary.

(c) Any Holder of a Global Note shall, by acceptance of such Global Note, acknowledge the restrictions on transfer of such Note set forth in this Supplemental Indenture and in the Global Notes Legend and agrees that it shall transfer such Note only as provided in this Supplemental Indenture.

ARTICLE III

THE INITIAL NOTES

Section 3.01 *Amount; Terms.*

(a) The aggregate principal amount of Notes that initially may be authenticated and delivered under this Supplemental Indenture (the “Initial Notes”) shall be limited to \$1,000,000,000, subject to increase as set forth in Section 3.03 of this Supplemental Indenture.

(b) The Stated Maturity of the Notes shall be March 15, 2029. The Notes shall be payable and may be presented for payment, purchase, redemption, registration of transfer and exchange, without service charge (subject to Section 2.7 of the Base Indenture), at the office or agency of the Company maintained for such purpose, which shall initially be the Corporate Trust Office.

(c) The Notes shall bear interest at the rate of 5.050% per annum and shall accrue interest from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or, if no interest has been paid, from the Issue Date. Interest for the Notes shall be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. The “Interest Payment Dates” for the Notes shall be March 15 and September 15 of each year, beginning on September 15, 2024, and the “Record Dates” for any interest payable on each such Interest Payment Date shall be the immediately preceding March 1 and September 1, respectively; *provided* that upon the Stated Maturity of the Notes, interest shall be payable on such Stated Maturity from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or duly provided, and shall include the required payment of principal or premium, if any; and *provided further*, that the “Record Date” for any interest, principal, or premium, if any, payable on the Stated Maturity shall be the immediately preceding March 1. If any Interest Payment Date, Stated Maturity, redemption date, repayment date or other payment date with respect to the Notes is not a Business Day, the required payment of principal, premium, if any, or interest, or the redemption or repayment of such Notes, shall be due on the next succeeding Business Day at such place of payment as if made on the date that such payment was due, and no interest shall accrue on that payment for the period from and after that Interest Payment Date, Stated Maturity, redemption date, repayment date or other payment date, as the case may be, to the date of that payment or repayment on the next succeeding Business Day.

(d) The Notes shall be issued in the form of one or more Global Notes, deposited with the Trustee as custodian for the Depositary or its nominee, duly executed by the Company and authenticated by the Trustee as provided in Section 2.3 of the Base Indenture.

(e) Payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest on a Global Note registered in the name of or held by the Depositary or its nominee shall be made in immediately available funds to the Depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, as the registered Holder of such Global Note. If the Notes are no longer represented by Global Notes, payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest on Notes in definitive form may, at the Company’s option, be made (i) by check mailed directly to Holders of the Notes at their registered addresses or (ii) upon written request of any Holder of at least \$5,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Notes, wire transfer to an account located in the United States of America maintained by the payee (*provided* that such request contains the requisite information to make such wire transfer).

Section 3.02 *Denominations.* The Notes shall be issuable only in registered form without coupons and only in denominations of \$2,000 and any multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

Section 3.03 Additional Notes; Repurchases.

(a) The Company may, from time to time, subject to compliance with any other applicable provisions of the Indenture, without notice to or the consent of the Holders of the Notes, issue pursuant to the Indenture additional Notes (the "**Additional Notes**") having terms and conditions identical to those of the Initial Notes and ranking equally and ratably with the Initial Notes, except that Additional Notes:

- (i) may have a different issue price;
- (ii) may have a different issue date;
- (iii) may accrue interest prior to the issue date of such Additional Notes; and
- (iv) may have a different first Interest Payment Date;

provided that if such Additional Notes are not fungible with the outstanding Notes for U.S. federal income tax purposes, such Additional Notes shall have one or more separate CUSIP numbers.

(b) Such Additional Notes shall be consolidated and form a single series with, and shall have the same terms as to ranking, redemption, waivers, amendments or otherwise, as the Initial Notes and shall vote together as one class on all matters with respect to the Initial Notes.

(c) The Company may, to the extent permitted by law, directly or indirectly (regardless of whether such Notes are surrendered to the Company), purchase Notes in the open market, negotiated transactions or otherwise, whether by the Company or one or more of its Subsidiaries or through a private or public tender or exchange offer or through counterparties to private agreements, including by cash-settled swaps or other derivatives. The Company shall cause any Notes so purchased (other than Notes purchased pursuant to cash-settled swaps or other derivatives) to be surrendered to the Trustee for cancellation, together with a Company Order to cancel such Notes, and such Notes shall no longer be considered outstanding under the Indenture upon their purchase.

Section 3.04 No Sinking Fund. The Notes shall not be subject to any sinking fund.

Section 3.05 Satisfaction and Discharge. The provisions of Section 8.1 of the Base Indenture shall apply to the Notes.

ARTICLE IV

REDEMPTION OF SECURITIES

Section 4.01 Optional Redemption.

(a) Subject to Section 1.02 hereof, the provisions of Article III of the Base Indenture, as supplemented by the provisions of this Supplemental Indenture, shall apply to the Notes.

(b) Prior to the Par Call Date, the Company may redeem the Notes at its option, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, at a redemption price (expressed as a percentage of principal amount and rounded to three decimal places) equal to the greater of: (i)(x) the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest thereon discounted to the redemption date (assuming the Notes matured on the Par Call Date) on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Treasury Rate plus 15 basis points less (y) interest accrued to the date of redemption, and (ii) 100% of the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed, plus, in either case, accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but excluding, the redemption date. On or after the Par Call Date, the Company may redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but excluding, the redemption date.

(c) The Company will be responsible for making calculations called for under the Notes, including, but not limited, to the determination of the redemption price and any other amounts payable on the Notes. The Company will provide a schedule of its calculations to the Trustee when requested by the Trustee, and the Trustee is entitled to rely conclusively on the accuracy of the Company's calculations without independent verification. The Company's actions and determinations in determining the redemption price shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes, absent manifest error. The Trustee shall not be responsible or liable for any determination, calculation, or verification of the redemption price.

(d) Notice of any redemption will be mailed or electronically delivered (or otherwise transmitted in accordance with the Depositary's procedures) at least 10 days but not more than 60 days before the redemption date to each Holder of the Notes to be redeemed (with a copy to the Trustee). Any redemption or notice may, at the Company's discretion, be subject to one or more conditions precedent and, at the Company's discretion, the redemption date may be delayed until such time as any or all such conditions shall be satisfied (or waived by the Company in its sole discretion), or the redemption date may not occur at all and such notice may be rescinded if all such conditions shall not have been satisfied (or waived by the Company in its sole discretion). The Company shall provide written notice to the Trustee prior to the close of business one Business Day prior to the redemption date if any such redemption has been rescinded or delayed, and upon receipt the Trustee shall provide such notice to each Holder of the Notes in the same manner in which the notice of redemption as given. The Trustee shall, at the Company's written request (delivered to the Trustee at least five Business Days prior to the date such notice is to be sent (or such shorter period as the Trustee may agree) with a copy of such notice) give the notice of redemption in the Company's name and at the Company's expense. Such notice shall state the redemption price (if known) or the formula pursuant to which the redemption price is to be determined if the redemption price cannot be determined at the time the notice is given. If the redemption price cannot be determined at the time such notice is to be given, the actual redemption price, calculated as set forth in the Indenture, shall be set forth in an Officer's Certificate delivered to the Trustee no later than two Business Days prior to the redemption date. Notice of redemption having been given as provided in the Indenture, the Notes called for redemption shall become due and payable on the redemption date and at the applicable redemption price, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, but excluding, the redemption date.

(e) In the case of a partial redemption, selection of the Notes for redemption will be made pro rata, by lot or by such other method as the Trustee deems appropriate and fair. No Notes of a principal amount of \$2,000 or less will be redeemed in part. If any Note is to be redeemed in part only, the notice of redemption that relates to the Note will state the portion of the principal

amount of the Note to be redeemed. A new Note in a principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion of the Note will be issued in the name of the Holder of the Note upon surrender for cancellation of the original Note. For so long as the Notes are held by DTC (or another depositary), the redemption of the Notes shall be done in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Depositary.

(f) Unless the Company defaults in payment of the redemption price, on and after the redemption date interest will cease to accrue on the Notes, or portions thereof, called for redemption.

(g) If any redemption date would otherwise be a day that is not a Business Day, the related payment of principal and interest will be made on the next succeeding Business Day as if it were made on the date such payment was due, and no interest will accrue on the amounts so payable for the period from and after such date to the next succeeding Business Day. Notwithstanding the foregoing, installments of interest on Notes that are due and payable on Interest Payment Dates falling on or prior to a redemption date shall be payable on the Interest Payment Date to the registered Holders as of the close of business on the relevant Record Date in accordance with the provisions of the Notes and the Indenture.

(h) On or before the redemption date for the Notes, the Company shall deposit with the Trustee or a Paying Agent funds sufficient to pay the redemption price of the Notes to be redeemed on the redemption date, and (except if the redemption date shall be an Interest Payment Date) accrued interest, if any.

Section 4.02 *Purchase of Notes upon a Change of Control Repurchase Event.*

(a) If a Change of Control Repurchase Event occurs, unless the Company shall have exercised its option to redeem the Notes pursuant to Section 4.01 of this Supplemental Indenture, each Holder of the Notes shall have the right to require the Company to repurchase all or any part (equal to \$2,000 and multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof) of that Holder's Notes at a repurchase price in cash equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes to be repurchased, plus any accrued and unpaid interest on the Notes to, but excluding, the repurchase date. Within 30 days following any Change of Control Repurchase Event or, at the option of the Company, prior to any Change of Control, but after the public announcement of the Change of Control or event that may constitute the Change of Control, the Company shall deliver a notice (the "Change of Control Notice") to each Holder, with a copy to the Trustee, describing the transaction or transactions that constitute or may constitute the Change of Control Repurchase Event and offering (the "Change of Control Offer") to repurchase the Notes on the repurchase date specified in the notice at the option of the Holders, which date (the "Change of Control Payment Date") shall be no earlier than 30 days and no later than 60 days from the date such notice is delivered. The Change of Control Notice shall, if delivered prior to the date of consummation of the Change of Control, state that the Company's obligation to repurchase the Notes is conditioned on a Change of Control Repurchase Event occurring on or prior to the Change of Control Payment Date.

(b) On the Change of Control Payment Date, the Company shall, to the extent lawful:

- (i) accept for payment all the Notes or portions of the Notes properly tendered pursuant to the Change of Control Notice;
- (ii) no later than 11:00 a.m., New York City time on the Change of Control Payment Date, deposit with the Paying Agent or tender agent appointed for such purpose an amount equal to the aggregate repurchase price in respect of all the Notes or portions of the Notes properly tendered; and
- (iii) deliver or cause to be delivered to the Trustee the Notes properly accepted, together with an Officer's Certificate stating the aggregate principal amount of Notes being repurchased by the Company.

(c) The Paying Agent or tender agent shall promptly deliver to each Holder of Notes properly tendered the repurchase price for the Notes, and the Trustee, upon receipt of a Company Order (and an Officer's Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel), shall promptly authenticate and mail (or cause to be transferred by book-entry) to each Holder a new Note equal in principal amount to any unpurchased portion of any Notes surrendered.

(d) Notwithstanding the foregoing in this Section 4.02, the Company shall not be required to make a Change of Control Offer in connection with a Change of Control Repurchase Event if a third party makes such an offer in connection with such Change of Control Repurchase Event in the manner and at the times required and otherwise in compliance with the requirements for such a Change of Control Offer made by the Company, and such third party purchases all Notes properly tendered and not withdrawn under its offer.

(e) If Holders of not less than 90% in aggregate principal amount then outstanding validly tender and do not withdraw such Notes in a Change of Control Offer and the Company, or any third party making a Change of Control Offer in lieu of the Company pursuant to Section 4.02(d) hereof, purchases all of the Notes validly tendered and not withdrawn by such Holders, the Company shall have the right, upon not less than 10 days nor more than 60 days' prior written notice to the Holders of the Notes (with a copy to the Trustee), given not more than 30 days following such purchase pursuant to the Change of Control Offer described in Section 4.02(b) hereof, to redeem all Notes that remain outstanding following such purchase at a redemption price in cash equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, but excluding the redemption date (subject to the right of Holders of record on a Record Date to receive interest on the relevant Interest Payment Date).

(f) The Company shall comply with the requirements of Rule 14e-1 under the Exchange Act and any other securities laws and regulations thereunder to the extent those laws and regulations are applicable in connection with any repurchase of the Notes as a result of a Change of Control Repurchase Event. To the extent the provisions of any such securities laws or regulations conflict with this Section 4.02, the Company shall comply with those securities laws and regulations and shall not be deemed to have breached its obligations under this Section 4.02 by virtue thereof.

(g) The Trustee shall not be responsible or liable for determining whether any Change of Control and/or Change of Control Repurchase Event has occurred and whether any payment with respect to the Notes is required in connection with any Change of Control Repurchase Event. The Trustee shall not be responsible for monitoring the ratings of the Company and the Guarantors or their Affiliates or any other party or making any request upon any rating agency.

ARTICLE V
COVENANTS AND REMEDIES

Section 5.01 *Limitation on Liens.*

(a) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary to, create or incur any Lien upon any Property of the Company, any Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary or the capital stock of any Subsidiary (other than a Foreign Subsidiary) that owns Property and is owned by the Company, any Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary (whether such Property or capital stock are now existing or owned or hereafter created or acquired) to secure any Indebtedness or to secure guarantees of Indebtedness of the Company, any Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary unless prior to or at the same time, the Notes and the Guarantees (together with, at the Company's option, any other Indebtedness or guarantees of Indebtedness of the Company, any Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary ranking equally in right of payment with the Notes) are equally and ratably secured with or, at the Company's option, prior to, such secured Indebtedness or guarantees of Indebtedness, until such time as such Indebtedness or guarantees of Indebtedness are no longer secured by such Lien or such Property is no longer owned by the Company, a Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary.

(b) The foregoing restriction in Section 5.01(a) hereof shall not apply to:

(i) Liens existing on shares of capital stock of a person and its Subsidiaries at the time such person becomes a direct or indirect Subsidiary of the Company, a Guarantor or a Restricted Subsidiary, *provided* that such Lien was not incurred in anticipation of such person becoming a Subsidiary;

(ii) Liens existing on Property at the time of acquisition thereof or at the time of acquisition by the Company, any Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary of any person then owning such Property; *provided* that such Lien was not incurred in anticipation of such acquisition;

(iii) Liens securing Indebtedness of the Company, any Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary owing to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries;

(iv) Liens existing on the Issue Date;

(v) Liens on Property of a person existing at the time such person is merged into or consolidated with the Company, any Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary, at the time such person becomes a Subsidiary of the Company or any Guarantor (or arising thereafter pursuant to contractual commitments entered into prior to acquiring such Property), or at the time of a sale, lease or other disposition of all or substantially all of the Properties of a person to the Company, any Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary (or arising thereafter pursuant to contractual commitments entered into prior to acquiring such Property); *provided* that such Lien was not incurred in anticipation of the merger, consolidation, or sale, lease, other disposition or other such transaction;

(vi) Liens created in connection with a project financed with, and created to secure, a Non-recourse Obligation;

(vii) Liens created to secure the Notes and the Guarantees;

(viii) Liens imposed by law or arising by operation of law, such as materialmen's, workmen's or repairmen's, carriers', warehousemen's and mechanic's Liens and other similar Liens, in each case for sums not yet overdue by more than 90 calendar days or being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings or other Liens arising out of judgments or awards against such person with respect to which such person shall then be proceeding with an appeal or other proceedings for review and Liens arising solely by virtue of any statutory or common law provision relating to banker's Liens, rights of set-off or similar rights and remedies as to deposit accounts or other funds maintained with a creditor depository institution;

(ix) Liens for taxes, assessments or other governmental charges or levies on Property not yet overdue for a period of more than 30 days or payable or subject to penalties for non-payment or which are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings;

(x) Liens to secure the performance of obligations with respect to statutory or regulatory requirements, bids, trade or commercial contracts, government contracts, purchase, construction, sales and servicing contracts (including utility contracts), leases, statutory obligations, surety, stay, customs and appeal bonds, performance or return of money bonds and other obligations of a like nature, import or customs duties, liabilities to insurance carriers or for the payment of rent, and Liens to secure letters of credit, guarantees, bonds or other sureties given in connection with the foregoing obligations or in connection with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance or other types of social security or similar laws and regulations;

(xi) pledges or deposits under workmen's compensation, unemployment insurance, or similar legislation and Liens of judgments thereunder which are not currently dischargeable, or deposits to secure public or statutory obligations, or deposits in connection with obtaining or maintaining self-insurance or to obtain the benefits of any law, regulation or arrangement pertaining to workmen's compensation, unemployment insurance, old age pensions, social security or similar matters, or deposits of cash or obligations of the United States of America to secure surety, appeal or customs bonds, or deposits in litigation or other proceedings such as, but not limited to, interpleader proceedings;

(xii) Liens consisting of easements, rights-of-way, zoning restrictions, restrictions on the use of real property, and defects and irregularities in the title thereto, landlords' Liens and other similar Liens none of which interfere materially with the use of the Property covered thereby in the ordinary course of business and which do not, in the Company's opinion, materially detract from the value of such Properties;

(xiii) Liens in favor of the United States of America or any state, territory or possession thereof (or the District of Columbia), or any department, agency, instrumentality or political subdivision of the United States of America or any state, territory or possession thereof (or the District of Columbia), to secure partial, progress, advance or other payments pursuant to any contract or statute or to secure any Indebtedness incurred for the purpose of financing all or any part of the purchase price or the cost of constructing or improving the Property subject to such Liens;

(xiv) Liens securing Indebtedness incurred to finance the development, construction, acquisition (including acquisition through merger or consolidation), purchase or lease of, or alterations or repairs, improvements or additions to, Property (including shares of capital stock), plant or equipment of the Company, any Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary; provided, however, that the Lien shall not extend to any other Property owned by the Company, any Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary at the time the Lien is incurred (other than Property affixed or appurtenant thereto), and the indebtedness (other than any interest thereon) secured by the Lien may not be incurred more than 24 months after the later of the acquisition, completion of construction, alterations, repair, improvement, addition or commencement of full operation of the Property subject to the Lien; provided further, however, that individual financings of equipment or other fixed or capital assets otherwise permitted to be secured under the Indenture provided by any person (or its affiliates) may be cross-collateralized to other such financings provided by such person (or its affiliates);

(xv) Liens incurred to secure cash or investment management or custodial services in the ordinary course of business or on insurance policies and the proceeds thereof securing the financing of the premiums with respect thereto;

(xvi) Liens securing Hedging Obligations designed for protection from fluctuations in interest rates, currencies, equities or the price of commodities and not for speculative purposes;

(xvii) Liens securing reimbursement obligations with respect to commercial letters of credit in the ordinary course of business that encumber cash, documents and other Property relating to such letters of credit and proceeds thereof;

(xviii) in connection with the sale or transfer of any equity interests or other assets in a consolidation, merger or sale of assets transaction permitted under the Indenture, customary rights and restrictions contained in agreements relating to such sale or transfer pending the completion thereof;

(xix) Liens on Property incurred in connection with any transaction permitted under Section 5.02 hereof; or

(xx) any extensions, renewals, substitutions, reinstatements, refinancing or replacements (or successive extensions, renewals, substitutions, refinancings or replacements, in whole or in part) of any Lien referred to in clauses (i) through (xix) without increase of the principal of the Indebtedness secured by such Lien (except to the

extent of any fees or other costs associated with any such extension, renewal or replacement and any Liens that secure an extension, renewal, reinstatement, replacement, refinancing or refunding (including any successive extensions, renewals, reinstatements, replacements, refinancings or refundings) of any Indebtedness at any time prior to or within 12 months after the maturity, retirement or other repayment or prepayment of the Indebtedness (including any such repayment pursuant to amortization obligations with respect to such indebtedness) being extended, renewed, substituted, replaced, refinanced or refunded, which indebtedness is or was secured by a Lien referred to in this or the preceding clauses (i) through (xix)); provided, however, that any Liens permitted by any of clauses (i) through (xix) shall not extend to or cover any Property of ours, any Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, other than the Property specified in such clauses and improvements to such Property.

(c) For the avoidance of doubt, the inclusion of specific Liens in clauses (i) through (xx) of Section 5.01(b) hereof shall not create any implication that the Indebtedness or guarantees of Indebtedness secured by such Liens constitute Indebtedness of the Company, any Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary.

(d) Notwithstanding the restrictions set forth in Section 5.01(a) hereof, the Company, any Guarantor and any Restricted Subsidiary shall be permitted to incur Indebtedness or guarantees of Indebtedness secured by Liens which would otherwise be subject to the restrictions set forth in Section 5.01(a) hereof without equally and ratably securing the Notes; *provided* that, after giving effect to such Indebtedness or guarantees of Indebtedness and the retirement of any Indebtedness secured by Liens (other than Liens described in clauses (i) through (xx) of Section 5.01(b) hereof) that are being retired substantially concurrently with such incurrence, the aggregate amount of all Indebtedness or guarantees of Indebtedness secured by Liens (not including Liens permitted under clauses (i) through (xx) of Section 5.01(b) hereof), together with all Attributable Debt outstanding pursuant to Section 5.02(b) hereof, does not exceed an amount equal to the greater of (x) \$770 million, and (y) 15% of the Company's Consolidated Net Tangible Assets. The Company, any Guarantor and any Restricted Subsidiary also may, without equally and ratably securing the Notes, create or incur Liens that extend, renew, substitute or replace (including successive extensions, renewals, substitutions or replacements), in whole or in part, any Lien permitted pursuant to the preceding sentence and any Liens that secure any extension, renewal, substitution or replacement (including any successive extensions, renewals, substitutions, or replacements) of any Indebtedness at any time prior to or within 12 months after the maturity, retirement or other repayment or prepayment of the Indebtedness (including any such repayment pursuant to amortization obligations with respect to such Indebtedness) being extended, renewed, substituted, or replaced, which indebtedness is or was secured by a Lien permitted pursuant to this or the preceding sentence.

(e) For purposes of this Section 5.01, in the event that a Lien meets the criteria of more than one of the types of Liens permitted pursuant to Section 5.01(b) or (d), the Company, in its sole discretion, will classify, and may reclassify, such Lien and only be required to include the amount and type of such Lien as a Lien or a Lien permitted by Section 5.01(b), and a Lien may be divided and classified and reclassified into more than one of such types of Liens. In addition, for purposes of Section 5.01(b), in no event will the amount of any such Indebtedness or guarantees of Indebtedness be required to be included more than once despite the fact more than one person

is or becomes liable with respect to such Indebtedness or guarantees of Indebtedness and despite the fact such Indebtedness or guarantees of Indebtedness are secured by the assets of more than one person (for example, and for avoidance of doubt, in the case where there are Liens on assets of one or more of the Company, the Guarantors and the Restricted Subsidiaries securing any Indebtedness or guarantees of Indebtedness, the amount of such Indebtedness and guarantees of Indebtedness secured shall only be included once for purposes of such calculations).

(f) Any Lien created for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes pursuant to Section 5.01(a) hereof may provide by its terms that such Lien shall be automatically and unconditionally released and discharged upon the release and discharge of the Lien that gave rise to the obligation to secure the Notes.

Section 5.02 Limitation on Sale and Leaseback Transactions.

(a) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary to, enter into any sale and leaseback transaction for the sale and leasing back of any Property, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, unless:

- (i) such transaction was entered into prior to the Issue Date;
- (ii) such transaction was for the sale and leasing back to the Company, any Guarantor or any of the Company's or the Guarantor's wholly-owned Subsidiaries of any Property by the Company, any Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary;
- (iii) such transaction involves a lease for not more than three years (or which may be terminated by the Company, any Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary within a period of not more than three years);
- (iv) the Company, any Guarantor or any Restricted Subsidiary would be entitled to incur Indebtedness secured by a Lien with respect to such sale and leaseback transaction without equally and ratably securing the Notes pursuant to Section 5.01(b) of this Supplemental Indenture (except with respect to a Lien permitted by Section 5.01(b)(xix) of this Supplemental Indenture); or
- (v) the Company or any Guarantor applies (or to the extent the proceeds are received directly by any Restricted Subsidiary, such Restricted Subsidiary applies) an amount equal to the net proceeds from the sale of such Property to the purchase of other Property or assets used or useful in the Company's or such Guarantor's business or to the retirement of the Company's or such Guarantor's Indebtedness or any Guarantee that is *pari passu* in right of payment with the Notes or any Guarantee within 365 days before or after the effective date of any such sale and leaseback transaction; *provided* that, in lieu of applying such amount to the retirement of *pari passu* Indebtedness, the Company may deliver Notes with an aggregate outstanding amount equal to such net proceeds to the Trustee for cancellation as provided in Section 3.03(c) of this Supplemental Indenture.

(b) Notwithstanding the restrictions set forth in Section 5.02(a) hereof, the Company, any Guarantor and any Restricted Subsidiary may enter into any sale and leaseback transaction that would otherwise be subject to the restrictions set forth in Section 5.02(a) hereof, if after giving effect thereto the aggregate amount of all Attributable Debt with respect to such transactions (not including Attributable Debt permitted under clauses (i) through (v) of Section 5.02(a) hereof), together with all Indebtedness outstanding pursuant to Section 5.01(c) of this Supplemental Indenture, does not exceed an amount equal to the greater of (x) \$770 million, and (y) 15% of the Company's Consolidated Net Tangible Assets.

Section 5.03 Additional Note Guarantees. After the Issue Date, the Company will not permit any of its existing or future Subsidiaries to become an obligor with respect to any Indebtedness under the Senior Credit Facilities unless such Subsidiary, within 45 days, executes and delivers a supplemental indenture substantially in the form of supplemental indenture appearing as Exhibit B hereto providing for a Guarantee by such Subsidiary of the Notes.

Section 5.04 Events of Default.

(a) The first paragraph of Section 6.1 of the Base Indenture shall not apply to the Notes. Instead, each of the following events shall be an "Event of Default":

- (i) default in the payment of any installment of interest on any Note when due and payable, and the continuance of that default for 30 days;
- (ii) default in the payment of the principal of, or any premium on, any Note when due and payable (whether at its Stated Maturity, upon redemption or otherwise);
- (iii) a failure by the Company to repurchase Notes tendered for repurchase following the occurrence of a Change of Control Repurchase Event in conformity with Section 4.02 of this Supplemental Indenture;
- (iv) a failure to observe or perform any other covenant or agreement in respect of the Notes, which failure continues for 90 days after written notice to the Company by the Trustee or to the Company and the Trustee by the Holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of outstanding Notes (including any Additional Notes), requiring the Company to remedy the same;
- (v) the Company or any Guarantor pursuant to or within the meaning of any Bankruptcy Law (A) commences a voluntary case; (B) consents to the entry of an order for relief against it in an involuntary case; (C) consents to the appointment of a Custodian of it or for all or substantially all of its property; (D) makes a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors; or (E) admits in writing its inability to generally pay its debts as such debts become due; or takes any comparable action under any foreign laws relating to insolvency;
- (vi) a court of competent jurisdiction enters an order or decree under any Bankruptcy Law that (A) is for relief against the Company or any Guarantor in an involuntary case; (B) appoints a Custodian of the Company or any Guarantor or for all or substantially all of its property; or (C) orders the winding up or liquidation of the Company or any Guarantor; or any similar relief is granted under any foreign laws; and the order or decree remains unstayed and in effect for 60 days; and

(vii) any Guarantee with respect to the Notes is not issued as required under Section 7.01 or any Guarantee in respect of the Notes ceases to be in full force and effect (except as contemplated by the terms of this Supplemental Indenture or such Guarantee) or is declared null and void in a judicial proceeding or the Company or the Guarantor denies or disaffirms the obligations of the Guarantor under this Supplemental Indenture or the Guarantee, in each case unless the Guarantee has been released pursuant to the terms of this Supplemental Indenture or such Guarantee.

Section 5.05 *References in Base Indenture.* References to “Section 6.1(d) or (e)” in the Base Indenture shall be deemed to refer to “Section 5.04(a)(v) or (vi)” of this Supplemental Indenture.

ARTICLE VI

DEFEASANCE

Section 6.01 *Defeasance.* The provisions of Section 8.3 and 8.4 of the Base Indenture shall apply to the Notes. In addition to the covenants specified in Section 8.4 of the Base Indenture, the Company may omit to comply with any term, provision or condition set forth in Sections 4.02, 5.01, 5.02 and 5.03 of this Supplemental Indenture by complying with the requirements of Section 8.4 of the Base Indenture.

ARTICLE VII

GUARANTEE

Section 7.01 *Guarantee.*

(a) Subject to the provisions of this Article VII, each Guarantor hereby fully, unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees, as primary obligor and not merely as surety, jointly and severally with each other Guarantor, to each Holder and the Trustee, the full and punctual payment when due, whether at maturity, by acceleration, by redemption or otherwise, of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Notes and all other obligations and liabilities of the Company under this Supplemental Indenture, including, without limitation, interest accruing after the filing of any petition in bankruptcy, or the commencement of any insolvency, reorganization or like proceeding, relating to the Company or any Guarantor, whether or not a claim for post-filing or post-petition interest is allowed in such proceeding (all the foregoing being hereinafter collectively called the “Guaranteed Obligations”).

(b) Each Guarantor agrees that the Guaranteed Obligations will rank equally in right of payment with all of such Guarantor’s existing and future senior, unsecured Indebtedness, will rank senior in right of payment to all of such Guarantor’s existing and future unsecured, subordinated Indebtedness, will be effectively subordinated to all of such Guarantor’s existing and future secured Indebtedness, to the extent of the value of the assets securing such Indebtedness, and will be structurally subordinated to all of the existing and future Indebtedness (including trade payables) of such Guarantor’s non-Guarantor Subsidiaries (other than Indebtedness and liabilities owed to such Guarantor, if any).

(c) Each Guarantor agrees that its guarantee set forth in this Section 7.01 shall remain in full force and effect notwithstanding the absence of the endorsement of any notation of such guarantee on the Notes.

(d) Each Guarantor further agrees (to the extent permitted by law) that the Guaranteed Obligations may be extended or renewed, in whole or in part, without notice or further assent from it, and that it will remain bound under this Article VII notwithstanding any extension or renewal of any Guaranteed Obligation.

(e) Each Guarantor waives presentation to, demand of payment from and protest to the Company of any of the Guaranteed Obligations and also waives notice of protest for nonpayment. Each Guarantor waives notice of any default under the Notes or the Guaranteed Obligations.

(f) Each Guarantor further agrees that its guarantee herein will constitute a guarantee of payment when due (and not a guarantee of collection) and waives any right to require that any resort be had by any Holder to any security held for payment of the Guaranteed Obligations.

(g) Except as set forth in Section 7.02, the obligations of each Guarantor hereunder shall not be subject to any reduction, limitation, impairment or termination for any reason (other than payment of the Guaranteed Obligations in full), including any claim of waiver, release, surrender, alteration or compromise, and shall not be subject to any defense of setoff, counterclaim, recoupment or termination whatsoever or by reason of the invalidity, illegality or unenforceability of the Guaranteed Obligations or otherwise. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Guaranteed Obligations of each Guarantor herein shall not be discharged or impaired or otherwise affected by (a) the failure of any Holder to assert any claim or demand or to enforce any right or remedy against the Company or any other person under this Supplemental Indenture, the Notes or any other agreement or otherwise; (b) any extension or renewal of any thereof; (c) any rescission, waiver, amendment or modification of any of the terms or provisions of this Supplemental Indenture, the Notes or any other agreement; (d) the release of any security held by any Holder for the Guaranteed Obligations; (e) the failure of any Holder to exercise any right or remedy against any other Guarantor; (f) any change in the ownership of the Company; (g) any default, failure or delay, willful or otherwise, in the performance of the Guaranteed Obligations; or (h) any other act or thing or omission or delay to do any other act or thing that may or might in any manner or to any extent vary the risk of any Guarantor or would otherwise operate as a discharge of such Guarantor as a matter of law or equity.

(h) Each Guarantor agrees that its guarantee herein shall remain in full force and effect until payment in full of all the Guaranteed Obligations or such Guarantor is released from its guarantee in compliance with Section 7.02. Each Guarantor further agrees that its guarantee herein shall continue to be effective or be reinstated, as the case may be, if at any time payment, or any part thereof, of principal of, premium, if any, interest on any of the Guaranteed Obligations is rescinded or must otherwise be restored by any Holder upon the bankruptcy or reorganization of the Company or otherwise.

(i) In furtherance of the foregoing and not in limitation of any other right that any Holder has at law or in equity against each Guarantor by virtue hereof, upon the failure of the Company to pay any of the Guaranteed Obligations when and as the same shall become due, whether at maturity, by acceleration, by redemption or otherwise, each Guarantor shall promise to and will, upon receipt of written demand by the Trustee, forthwith pay, or cause to be paid, in cash, to the Holders or the Trustee on behalf of the Holders, an amount equal to the sum of (i) the unpaid amount of such Guaranteed Obligations then due and owing and (ii) accrued and unpaid interest on such Guaranteed Obligations then due and owing (but only to the extent not prohibited by law) (including interest accruing after the filing of any petition in bankruptcy or the commencement of any insolvency, reorganization or like proceeding relating to the Company or any Guarantor whether or not a claim for post-filing or post-petition interest is allowed in such proceeding).

(j) Each Guarantor further agrees that, as between such Guarantor, on the one hand, and the Holders, on the other hand, (x) the maturity of the Guaranteed Obligations guaranteed hereby may be accelerated as provided in this Supplemental Indenture for the purposes of its guarantee herein, notwithstanding any stay, injunction or other prohibition preventing such acceleration in respect of the Guaranteed Obligations guaranteed hereby and (y) in the event of any such declaration of acceleration of such Guaranteed Obligations, such Guaranteed Obligations (whether or not due and payable) shall forthwith become due and payable by the Guarantor for the purposes of its guarantee.

(k) Each Guarantor also agrees to pay any and all fees, costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees and expenses) incurred by the Trustee or the Holders in enforcing any rights under this Section 7.01.

Section 7.02 *Limitation on Liability; Termination, Release and Discharge.*

(a) Any term or provision of this Supplemental Indenture to the contrary notwithstanding, the obligations of each Guarantor hereunder will be limited to the maximum amount as will, after giving effect to all other contingent and fixed liabilities of such Guarantor and after giving effect to any collections from or payments made by or on behalf of any other Guarantor in respect of the obligations of such other Guarantor under its guarantee or pursuant to its contribution obligations under this Supplemental Indenture, result in the obligations of such Guarantor under its guarantee not constituting a fraudulent conveyance or fraudulent transfer under federal, foreign, state or provincial law and not otherwise being void or voidable under any similar laws affecting the rights of creditors generally.

(b) Any Guarantor will be released and discharged automatically and unconditionally from all its obligations under this Supplemental Indenture and its guarantee and will cease to be a Guarantor, without any further action required on the part of the Trustee or any Holder:

(i) if the Company exercises its legal defeasance or its covenant defeasance options with respect to the Notes or if its obligations under the Indenture are discharged in accordance with the terms of the Indenture;

(ii) if no Event of Default has occurred and is then continuing, upon the liquidation or dissolution of such Guarantor; and

(iii) upon the release or discharge of such Guarantor's obligations under the Senior Credit Facilities.

(c) Upon delivery by the Company to the Trustee of an Officer's Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that any of the conditions described in Section 7.02(b) hereof have occurred or otherwise been satisfied, the Trustee shall, at the Company's expense, execute any supplemental indenture or other documents reasonably requested by the Company in order to evidence the release of a Guarantor from its obligations under its guarantee and this Supplemental Indenture.

Section 7.03 *Right of Contribution.* Each Guarantor shall agree that to the extent that any Guarantor shall have paid more than its proportionate share of any payment made on the obligations under the guarantees, such Guarantor shall be entitled to seek and receive contribution from and against the Company or any other Guarantor who has not paid its proportionate share of such payment. The provisions of this Section 7.03 shall in no respect limit the obligations and liabilities of each Guarantor to the Trustee and the Holders and each Guarantor shall remain liable to the Trustee and the Holders for the full amount guaranteed by such Guarantor hereunder.

Section 7.04 *No Subrogation.* Notwithstanding any payment or payments made by each Guarantor hereunder, no Guarantor shall be entitled to be subrogated to any of the rights of the Trustee or any Holder against the Company or any other Guarantor or guarantee or right of offset held by the Trustee or any Holder for the payment of the Guaranteed Obligations, nor shall any Guarantor seek or be entitled to seek any contribution or reimbursement from the Company or any other Guarantor in respect of payments made by such Guarantor hereunder, until all amounts owing to the Trustee and the Holders by the Company on account of the Guaranteed Obligations are paid in full. If any amount shall be paid to any Guarantor on account of such subrogation rights at any time when all of the Guaranteed Obligations shall not have been paid in full, such amount shall be held by such Guarantor in trust for the Trustee and the Holders, segregated from other funds of such Guarantor, and shall, forthwith upon receipt by such Guarantor, be turned over to the Trustee in the exact form received by such Guarantor (duly indorsed by such Guarantor to the Trustee, if required), to be applied against the Guaranteed Obligations.

ARTICLE VIII

MISCELLANEOUS

Section 8.01 *Counterparts.* This Supplemental Indenture may be executed in any number of counterparts and by the parties hereto in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement. The exchange of copies of this Supplemental Indenture and of signature pages by facsimile or PDF transmission shall constitute effective execution and delivery of this Supplemental Indenture as to the parties hereto and may be used in lieu of the original Supplemental Indenture for all purposes. Signatures of the parties hereto transmitted by facsimile or PDF shall be deemed to be their original signatures for all purposes. This Supplemental Indenture (and any document delivered in connection with this Supplemental Indenture) shall be valid, binding, and enforceable against a party only when executed and delivered by an authorized individual on behalf of the party by means of (i) any electronic signature permitted by the federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, state enactments of the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, and/or any other relevant electronic signatures law, including relevant provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code (collectively, "Signature Law"); (ii) an original

manual signature; or (iii) a faxed, scanned, or photocopied manual signature. Each electronic signature or faxed, scanned, or photocopied manual signature shall for all purposes have the same validity, legal effect, and admissibility in evidence as an original manual signature. Each party hereto shall be entitled to conclusively rely upon, and shall have no liability with respect to, any faxed, scanned, or photocopied manual signature, or other electronic signature, of any party and shall have no duty to investigate, confirm or otherwise verify the validity or authenticity thereof. For avoidance of doubt, original manual signatures shall be used for execution or indorsement of writings when required under the UCC or other Signature Law due to the character or intended character of the writings.

Section 8.02 *Governing Law; Waiver of Jury Trial.* THIS SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE, THE NOTES AND THE GUARANTEES, INCLUDING ANY CLAIM OR CONTROVERSY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE, THE NOTES AND THE GUARANTEES, SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK. THE COMPANY, THE GUARANTORS, THE TRUSTEE AND THE HOLDERS (BY THEIR ACCEPTANCE OF THE NOTES) EACH HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVE, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE, THE BASE INDENTURE, THE NOTES OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY.

Section 8.03 *Recitals by the Company and the Guarantors.* The recitals in this Supplemental Indenture are made by the Company and the Guarantors only and not by the Trustee, and the Trustee assumes no responsibility or liability for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representations or warranties as to the accuracy, validity or sufficiency of this Supplemental Indenture, the Notes or the Guarantees. The Trustee shall not be responsible or liable for the use or application by the Company of the Notes. All of the provisions contained in the Base Indenture in respect of the rights, privileges, protections, immunities, indemnities, limitations of liability, powers and duties of the Trustee shall be applicable in respect of the Notes, the Guarantees and this Supplemental Indenture as fully and with like effect as if set forth herein in full.

Section 8.04 *Successors.* All agreements of the Company and the Guarantors in the Base Indenture, this Supplemental Indenture and the Notes shall bind their respective successors. All agreements of the Trustee in the Base Indenture and this Supplemental Indenture shall bind its successor.

Section 8.05 *Severability.* In case any provision in this Supplemental Indenture or in the Notes shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

[Signature pages follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Supplemental Indenture to be duly executed as of the date first written above.

**MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY
INCORPORATED**

By: /s/ J. Eric Bjornholt
Name: J. Eric Bjornholt
Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

ATMEL CORPORATION,
as a Guarantor

By: /s/ J. Eric Bjornholt
Name: J. Eric Bjornholt
Title: Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

MICROCHIP HOLDING CORPORATION,
as a Guarantor

By: /s/ J. Eric Bjornholt
Name: J. Eric Bjornholt
Title: Chief Financial Officer and President

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY LLC,
By: Microchip Technology Incorporated, its sole member
as a Guarantor

By: /s/ J. Eric Bjornholt
Name: J. Eric Bjornholt
Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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SILICON STORAGE TECHNOLOGY, INC.,
as a Guarantor

By: /s/ J. Eric Bjornholt
Name: J. Eric Bjornholt
Title: Chief Financial Officer

MICROSEMI CORPORATION,
as a Guarantor

By: /s/ J. Eric Bjornholt
Name: J. Eric Bjornholt
Title: Chief Financial Officer

MICROSEMI STORAGE SOLUTIONS, INC.,
as a Guarantor

By: /s/ J. Eric Bjornholt
Name: J. Eric Bjornholt
Title: Chief Financial Officer

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**COMPUTERSHARE TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION,**
as Trustee

By: /s/ Corey J. Dahlstrand
Name: Corey J. Dahlstrand
Title: Vice President

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Form of Global Note

(FACE OF NOTE)

[Global Notes Legend]

THIS SECURITY IS A GLOBAL SECURITY WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE INDENTURE HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AND IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE DEPOSITARY OR A NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITARY. THIS SECURITY IS EXCHANGEABLE FOR SECURITIES REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF A PERSON OTHER THAN THE DEPOSITARY OR ITS NOMINEE ONLY IN THE LIMITED CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE, AND MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT AS A WHOLE BY THE DEPOSITARY TO A NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITARY, BY A NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITARY TO THE DEPOSITARY OR ANOTHER NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITARY OR BY THE DEPOSITARY OR ANY SUCH NOMINEE TO A SUCCESSOR DEPOSITARY OR A NOMINEE OF SUCH A SUCCESSOR DEPOSITARY.

UNLESS THIS GLOBAL NOTE IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY, A NEW YORK CORPORATION ("DTC"), TO THE COMPANY OR ITS AGENT FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER, EXCHANGE OR PAYMENT, AND ANY GLOBAL NOTE ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR IN SUCH OTHER NAME AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC (AND ANY PAYMENT IS MADE TO CEDE & CO. OR TO SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL INASMUCH THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN.

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED

5.050% Senior Notes due 2029

No. [_____]

CUSIP / ISIN: 595017 BE3 / US595017BE37

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED, a Delaware corporation, promises to pay to CEDE & CO., or registered assigns, the principal sum set forth on the Schedule of Increases and Decreases in Global Note attached hereto on March 15, 2029.

Interest payment dates: March 15 and September 15.

Record Dates: March 1 and September 1.

Additional provisions of this Note are set forth on the reverse hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Global Note to be duly executed as of the date first written above.

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED

By: _____
Name:
Title:

TRUSTEE'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION:

This is one of the Notes referred to in the within-mentioned Indenture.

Dated: [_____]

COMPUTERSHARE TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee

By: _____
Authorized Signatory

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED

5.050% Senior Notes due 2029

(1) *Interest.* Microchip Technology Incorporated, a Delaware corporation (such corporation, and its successors and assigns under the Indenture referred to below, being herein called the “Company”), promises to pay interest on the principal amount of this Note at the interest rate per annum shown above. The Company shall pay interest semiannually in arrears on March 15 and September 15 of each year, beginning on September 15, 2024. Interest on the Notes shall accrue from March 7, 2024 and shall be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

(2) *Method of Payment.* The Company shall pay interest on the Notes (subject to Section 2.13 of the Base Indenture, in the case of Defaulted Interest) to the persons who are registered Holders of Notes at the close of business on the Record Date immediately preceding the Interest Payment Date even if such Notes are canceled after the Record Date and on or before the Interest Payment Date. Holders of certificated Notes must surrender certificated Notes to a Paying Agent to collect principal payments. The Company shall pay principal and interest in money of the United States that at the time of payment is legal tender for payment of public and private debts. Payment of principal of and premium, if any, and interest on this Note shall be made in immediately available funds to the Depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, as the registered Holder of this Global Note.

(3) *Paying Agent, Transfer Agent and Registrar.* Initially, Computershare Trust Company, National Association, as trustee (the “Trustee”) under the Indenture (as defined below), shall act as Paying Agent, transfer agent and Registrar. The Company may change any Paying Agent, transfer agent, Registrar or co-registrar without notice to the Holders. The Company may act as Paying Agent, transfer agent, Registrar or co-registrar.

(4) *Indenture.* This Note is a “Security,” and the Notes are “Securities” issued under the Indenture, dated as of February 29, 2024 (the “Base Indenture”), as supplemented by the Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 7, 2023, (the “Supplemental Indenture” and, together with the Base Indenture, the “Indenture”), between the Company and the Trustee. The Notes are unsecured general obligations of the Company and constitute the “5.050% Senior Notes due 2029,” initially limited to \$1,000,000,000 in aggregate principal amount. The terms of the Notes include those stated in the Indenture. Capitalized terms used herein but not defined herein are used as defined in the Indenture. The Notes are subject to all such terms, and Holders are referred to the Indenture for a statement of such terms. To the extent any provision of this Note conflicts with the express provisions of the Indenture, the provisions of the Indenture shall govern and be controlling.

(5) *Optional Redemption.* Prior to February 15, 2029, the Company may redeem the Notes at its option, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, at a redemption price (expressed as a percentage of principal amount and rounded to three decimal places) equal to the greater of:

- (a)(i) the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest thereon discounted to the redemption date (assuming the Notes matured on February 15, 2029) on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Treasury Rate plus 15 basis points less
- (ii) interest accrued to the date of redemption, and

(b) 100% of the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed,

plus, in either case, accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but excluding, the redemption date.

On or after February 15, 2029, the Company may redeem the Notes, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes being redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but excluding, the redemption date.

The Company will be responsible for making calculations called for under the Notes, including, but not limited, to the determination of the redemption price and any other amounts payable on the Notes. The Company will provide a schedule of its calculations to the Trustee when requested by the Trustee, and the Trustee is entitled to rely conclusively on the accuracy of the Company's calculations without independent verification. The Company's actions and determinations in determining the redemption price shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes, absent manifest error. The Trustee shall not be responsible or liable for any determination, calculation, or verification of the redemption price.

Notice of any redemption will be mailed or electronically delivered (or otherwise transmitted in accordance with the Depositary's procedures) at least 10 days but not more than 60 days before the redemption date to each Holder of the Notes to be redeemed (with a copy to the Trustee). Any redemption or notice may, at the Company's discretion, be subject to one or more conditions precedent and, at the Company's discretion, the redemption date may be delayed until such time as any or all such conditions shall be satisfied (or waived by the Company in its sole discretion), or the redemption date may not occur at all and such notice may be rescinded if all such conditions shall not have been satisfied (or waived by the Company in its sole discretion). The Company shall provide written notice to the Trustee prior to the close of business one Business Day prior to the redemption date if any such redemption has been rescinded or delayed, and upon receipt the Trustee shall provide such notice to each Holder of the Notes in the same manner in which the notice of redemption as given. The Trustee shall, at the Company's written request (delivered to the Trustee at least five Business Days prior to the date such notice is to be sent (or such shorter period as the Trustee may agree) with a copy of such notice) give the notice of redemption in the Company's name and at the Company's expense. Such notice shall state the redemption price (if known) or the formula pursuant to which the redemption price is to be determined if the redemption price cannot be determined at the time the notice is given. If the redemption price cannot be determined at the time such notice is to be given, the actual redemption price, calculated as set forth in the Indenture, shall be set forth in an Officer's Certificate delivered to the Trustee no later than two Business Days prior to the redemption date. Notice of redemption having been given as provided in the Indenture, the Notes called for redemption shall become due and payable on the redemption date and at the applicable redemption price, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, but excluding, the redemption date.

In the case of a partial redemption, selection of the Notes for redemption will be made pro rata, by lot or by such other method as the Trustee in its sole discretion deems appropriate and fair. No Notes of a principal amount of \$2,000 or less will be redeemed in part. If any Note is to be redeemed in part only, the notice of redemption that relates to the Note will state the portion of the principal amount of the Note to be redeemed. A new Note in a principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion of the Note will be issued in the name of the Holder of the Note upon surrender for cancellation of the original Note. For so long as the Notes are held by DTC (or another depository), the redemption of the Notes shall be done in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Depository.

Unless the Company defaults in payment of the redemption price, on and after the redemption date interest will cease to accrue on the Notes, or portions thereof, called for redemption.

If any redemption date would otherwise be a day that is not a Business Day, the related payment of principal and interest will be made on the next succeeding Business Day as if it were made on the date such payment was due, and no interest will accrue on the amounts so payable for the period from and after such date to the next succeeding Business Day. Notwithstanding the foregoing, installments of interest on Notes that are due and payable on Interest Payment Dates falling on or prior to a redemption date shall be payable on the Interest Payment Date to the registered Holders as of the close of business on the relevant Record Date in accordance with the provisions of the Notes and the Indenture.

On or before the redemption date for the Notes, the Company shall deposit with the Trustee or a Paying Agent funds sufficient to pay the redemption price of the Notes to be redeemed on the redemption date, and (except if the redemption date shall be an Interest Payment Date) accrued interest, if any.

(6) *Change of Control Repurchase Event.* If a Change of Control Repurchase Event occurs, unless the Company shall have exercised its option pursuant to Section (5) hereof to redeem the Notes, each Holder of the Notes shall have the right to require the Company to repurchase all or any part (equal to \$2,000 and multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof) of that Holder's Notes at a repurchase price in cash equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes to be repurchased plus any accrued and unpaid interest on such Notes to, but excluding, the repurchase date.

Within 30 days following any Change of Control Repurchase Event with respect to the Notes or, at the option of the Company, prior to any Change of Control, but after the public announcement of the Change of Control or event that may constitute the Change of Control, the Company shall deliver a notice (the "Change of Control Notice") to each Holder of the Notes, with a copy to the Trustee, describing the transaction or transactions that constitute or may constitute the Change of Control Repurchase Event and offering (the "Change of Control Offer") to repurchase such Notes on the repurchase date specified in the notice at the option of the Holders, which date (the "Change of Control Payment Date") shall be no earlier than 30 days and no later than 60 days from the date such notice is delivered. The Change of Control Notice shall, if delivered prior to the date of consummation of the Change of Control, state that the Company's obligation to repurchase the Notes is conditioned on a Change of Control Repurchase Event occurring on or prior to the Change of Control Payment Date.

On the Change of Control Payment Date, the Company shall, to the extent lawful:

- (a) accept for payment all the Notes or portions of the Notes properly tendered pursuant to the Change of Control Notice;
- (b) no later than 11:00 a.m., New York City time on the Change of Control Payment Date, deposit with the Paying Agent or tender agent appointed for such purpose an amount equal to the aggregate repurchase price in respect of all the Notes or portions of the Notes properly tendered; and
- (c) deliver or cause to be delivered to the Trustee the Notes properly accepted, together with an Officer's Certificate stating the aggregate principal amount of the Notes being repurchased by the Company.

If Holders of not less than 90% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Notes validly tender and do not withdraw such Notes in a Change of Control Offer and the Company, or any third party making a Change of Control Offer in lieu of the Company pursuant to Section 4.02(d) of the Supplemental Indenture, purchases all of the Notes validly tendered and not withdrawn by such Holders, the Company shall have the right, upon not less than 10 nor more than 60 days' prior written notice to the Holders of the Notes (with a copy to the Trustee), given not more than 30 days following such purchase pursuant to the Change of Control Offer described above, to redeem all Notes that remain outstanding following such purchase at a redemption price in cash equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, but excluding, the redemption date (subject to the right of Holders of record on a Record Date to receive interest on the relevant Interest Payment Date).

The Company shall comply with the requirements of Rule 14e-1 under the Exchange Act and any other securities laws and regulations thereunder to the extent those laws and regulations are applicable in connection with any repurchase of the Notes as a result of a Change of Control Repurchase Event. To the extent the provisions of any such securities laws or regulations conflict with this Section (6), the Company shall comply with those securities laws and regulations and shall not be deemed to have breached its obligations under this Section (6) by virtue thereof.

(7) *Denominations; Transfer; Exchange.* The Notes are in registered form without coupons in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and any multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof. The transfer of Notes may be registered, and Notes may be exchanged as provided in the Indenture. The Registrar may require a Holder, among other things, to furnish appropriate endorsements and transfer documents and to pay any taxes and fees required by law or permitted by the Indenture. The Company shall not be required (A) to transfer or exchange any Notes subject to redemption during a period beginning at the opening of business 15 days before the day of the electronic delivery or mailing of a notice of redemption and ending at the close of business on the day of such electronic delivery or mailing or (B) to register the transfer of or exchange any Note so selected for redemption, in whole or in part, except the unredeemed portion of any Note being redeemed in part.

(8) *Defeasance.* Subject to certain conditions as provided in the Indenture, the Company at any time may terminate some or all of its obligations under the Notes and the Indenture if the Company deposits with the Trustee money and/or U.S. Government Obligations for the payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest on the Notes to their Stated Maturity.

(9) *Persons Deemed Owners.* The registered Holder of a Note may be treated as its owner for all purposes, except that interest (subject to Section 2.13 of the Base Indenture, in the case of Defaulted Interest) shall be paid to the person that was the registered Holder on the relevant Record Date for such payment of interest.

(10) *Amendments and Waivers.* Subject to certain exceptions, (i) the Indenture or the Notes may be amended or supplemented with the consent of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Notes; and (ii) any existing default with respect to the Notes may be waived with the consent of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Notes. Without the consent of any Holder, the Indenture or the Notes may be amended or supplemented in accordance with Section 9.1 of the Base Indenture to, among other things, cure any ambiguity, mistake, omission, defect or inconsistency, to provide for the assumption of the Company's obligations to Holders or to provide for uncertificated Notes or Notes registered under the Securities Act and offered in exchange for the Notes, to provide for guarantees with respect to, or security for, the Notes, or to comply with amendments to the TIA, or to add additional covenants, or to surrender any right or power conferred upon the Company, or to make any change that does not adversely affect the rights of any Holder of the Notes.

(11) *Remedies.* If an Event of Default with respect to the Notes occurs and is continuing, the Trustee or Holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Notes may, by notice in writing to the Company (and the Trustee if given by the Holders), declare all the Notes to be due and payable immediately. Holders may not enforce the Indenture or the Notes except as provided in the Indenture. The Trustee may require security and/or indemnity satisfactory to it against the losses, costs, expenses, fees, and liabilities which might be incurred by it before it enforces the Indenture or the Notes. Subject to certain limitations, Holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Notes may direct the Trustee in writing in its exercise of any trust or power with respect to the Notes. The Trustee may withhold from Holders notice of any Default or Event of Default (except a Default in payment of principal or interest) if it determines in good faith that withholding notice is in the Holders' interests. The Company must furnish an annual compliance certificate to the Trustee.

(12) *Trustee Dealings with Company.* Subject to the provisions of the TIA, if applicable, the Trustee under the Indenture, in its individual or any other capacity, may make loans to, accept deposits from, and perform services for the Company or its Affiliates, and may otherwise deal with the Company or its Affiliates, as if it were not Trustee. The Trustee shall initially be Computershare Trust Company, National Association.

(13) *No Recourse Against Others.* A director, officer, incorporator or shareholder, as such, past, present or future, of the Company or any successor corporation of the Company or any of any Guarantor, shall not have any liability for any obligations of the Company or any Guarantor under the Notes or the Indenture or for any claim based on, in respect of or by reason of such obligations or their creation. Each Holder by accepting a Note waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release are part of the consideration for the issue of the Notes.

(14) *Authentication.* This Note shall not be valid until authenticated by the manual signature of an authorized signatory of the Trustee or an authenticating agent.

(15) *Abbreviations.* Customary abbreviations may be used in the name of a Holder or an assignee, such as: TEN COM (= tenants in common), TEN ENT (= tenants by the entireties), JT TEN (= joint tenants with right of survivorship and not as tenants in common), CUST (= Custodian), and U/G/M/A (= Uniform Gifts to Minors Act).

(16) *Governing Law.* THIS NOTE, INCLUDING ANY CLAIM OR CONTROVERSY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS NOTE, SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

Pursuant to a recommendation promulgated by the Committee on Uniform Security Identification Procedures, the Company has caused CUSIP numbers to be printed on the Notes. No representation is made as to the accuracy of such numbers (or as to the accuracy of ISIN numbers or similar numbers) as printed on the Notes and reliance may be placed only on the other identification numbers placed thereon.

THE COMPANY WILL FURNISH TO ANY HOLDER UPON WRITTEN REQUEST AND WITHOUT CHARGE A COPY OF THE INDENTURE, WHICH HAS IN IT THE TEXT OF THIS NOTE. REQUESTS MAY BE MADE TO: MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY, INC., 2355 WEST CHANDLER BOULEVARD, CHANDLER, AZ 85224-6199, ATTENTION: CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER.

SCHEDULE OF INCREASES AND DECREASES IN GLOBAL NOTES

The initial principal amount of this Global Note is [_____] (\$[_____]). The following increases and decreases in principal amount of this Global Note have been made:

<u>Date of Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Amount of decrease in Principal amount of this Global Note</u>	<u>Amount of increase in principal amount of this Global Note</u>	<u>Principal amount of this Global Note following such decrease (or increase)</u>	<u>Signature of authorized signatory of Trustee</u>
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ASSIGNMENT FORM

To assign this Note, fill in the form below:

I or we assign and transfer this Note to

(Insert assignee's soc. sec. or tax I.D. No.)

(Print or type assignee's name, address and zip code)

and irrevocably appoint agent to transfer this Note on the books of the Company. The agent may substitute another to act for him.

Dated: Signed"

(Sign exactly as your name appears on the other side of this Note)

Signature Guarantee:

Signatures must be guaranteed by an "eligible guarantor institution" meeting the requirements of the Registrar, which requirements include membership or participation in the Security Transfer Agent Medallion Program ("STAMP") or such other "signature guarantee program" as may be determined by the Registrar in addition to, or in substitution for, STAMP, all in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

**REPURCHASE EXERCISE NOTICE UPON
A CHANGE OF CONTROL REPURCHASE EVENT**

To: Microchip Technology Incorporated

The undersigned registered owner of this Note hereby acknowledges receipt of a notice from Microchip Technology Incorporated (the "Company") as to the occurrence of a Change of Control Repurchase Event with respect to the Company and hereby directs the Company to pay, or cause the Trustee to pay, an amount in cash equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes, or the portion thereof (in an aggregate principal amount of at least \$2,000 or a multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof) as designated below to be repurchased, plus interest accrued and unpaid to, but excluding, the repurchase date, except as provided in the Indenture. The undersigned hereby agrees that the Notes will be repurchased as of the Change of Control Payment Date pursuant to the terms and conditions thereof and the Indenture.

Dated:

Signature

Principal amount to be repurchased (at least \$2,000 or a multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof): _____

Remaining principal amount following such repurchase: _____

By: _____
Authorized Signatory

Form of Supplemental Indenture to Add Guarantors

[] SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE, (this “[] Supplemental Indenture”) dated as of [], by and among the parties that are signatories hereto as Guarantors (the “Guaranteeing Entities” and each a “Guaranteeing Entity”), Microchip Technology Incorporated, as issuer (the “Company”), and Computershare Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee under the Indenture referred to below.

W I T N E S S E T H:

WHEREAS, each of the Company and the Trustee has heretofore executed and delivered an Indenture, dated as of February 29, 2024, as supplemented by the Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 7, 2024, between the Company, the Guarantors and the Trustee (as further amended, supplemented, waived or otherwise modified, the “Indenture”), providing for the issuance of \$1,000,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of 5.050% Senior Notes due 2029 of the Company (the “Notes”);

WHEREAS, the Indenture provides that under certain circumstances, each Guaranteeing Entity shall execute and deliver to the Trustee a supplemental indenture pursuant to which such Guaranteeing Entity shall unconditionally guarantee, on a joint and several basis with the other Guarantors, all of the Company’s obligations under the Notes and the Indenture on the terms and conditions set forth herein and under the Indenture (the “guarantee”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 9.1 of the Base Indenture, the Company, any Guarantor and the Trustee are authorized to execute and deliver a supplemental indenture to add additional Guarantors, without the consent of any Holder.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Guaranteeing Entity, the Company, the other Guarantors and the Trustee mutually covenant and agree for the equal and ratable benefit of the Holders as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

Section 1.1 *Defined Terms*. As used in this [] Supplemental Indenture, terms defined in the Indenture or in the preamble or recitals hereto are used herein as therein defined. The words “herein,” “hereof” and “hereby” and other words of similar import used in this [] Supplemental Indenture refer to this [] Supplemental Indenture as a whole and not to any particular Section hereof.

ARTICLE II

AGREEMENT TO BE BOUND; GUARANTEE

Section 2.1 *Agreement to be Bound*. Each Guaranteeing Entity hereby becomes a party to the Indenture as a Guarantor and as such will have all of the rights and be subject to all of the obligations and agreements of a Guarantor under the Indenture.

Section 2.2 *Guarantee*. Each Guaranteeing Entity agrees, on a joint and several basis with all the existing Guarantors [and the other Guaranteeing Entities], to fully, unconditionally and irrevocably guarantee to each Holder of the Notes and the Trustee the Guaranteed Obligations pursuant to Article VII of the Supplemental Indenture on a senior basis.

ARTICLE III

MISCELLANEOUS

Section 3.1 *Notices*. All notices and other communications to the Guaranteeing Entities shall be given as provided in the Indenture to such Guaranteeing Entities, at their addresses set forth below, with a copy to the Company as provided in the Indenture for notices to the Company.

[INSERT ADDRESS]

Section 3.2 *Release of Guarantee*. This guarantee shall be released in accordance with Section 7.02 of the Supplemental Indenture.

Section 3.3 *Parties*. Nothing expressed or mentioned herein is intended or shall be construed to give any person, firm or corporation, other than the Holders and the Trustee, any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or in respect of this [_____] Supplemental Indenture or the Indenture or any provision herein or therein contained.

Section 3.4 *Governing Law; Waiver of Jury Trial*. THIS [_____] SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK. THE COMPANY, THE GUARANTEEING ENTITIES, THE TRUSTEE AND THE HOLDERS (BY THEIR ACCEPTANCE OF THE NOTES) EACH HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVE, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS [_____] SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE, THE INDENTURE, THE NOTES OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY.

Section 3.5 *Severability*. In case any provision in this [_____] Supplemental Indenture shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby and such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability.

Section 3.6 *Benefits Acknowledged*. Each Guaranteeing Entity's guarantee is subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Indenture. Each Guaranteeing Entity acknowledges that it will receive direct and indirect benefits from the financing arrangements contemplated by the Indenture and this [_____] Supplemental Indenture and that the guarantee and waivers made by it pursuant to this guarantee are knowingly made in contemplation of such benefits.

Section 3.7 *Ratification of Indenture; Supplemental Indentures Part of Indenture*. Except as expressly amended hereby, the Indenture is in all respects ratified and confirmed and all the terms, conditions and provisions thereof shall remain in full force and effect, including, without limitation, any and all rights, privileges, protections, limitations of liability, immunities, duties, and indemnities of the Trustee thereunder. This [] Supplemental Indenture shall form a part of the Indenture for all purposes, and every Holder of Notes heretofore or hereafter authenticated and delivered shall be bound hereby. Reference to this [] Supplemental Indenture need not be made in the Indenture or any other instrument or document executed in connection therewith, or in any certificate, letter or communication issued or made pursuant to, or with respect to, the Indenture, any reference in any of such items to the Indenture being sufficient to refer to the Indenture as amended hereby.

Section 3.8 *The Trustee*. The Trustee makes no representation or warranty as to the validity, accuracy or sufficiency of this [] Supplemental Indenture or with respect to the recitals contained herein, all of which recitals are made solely by the other parties hereto.

Section 3.9 *Counterparts*. This [] Supplemental Indenture may be executed in any number of counterparts and by the parties hereto in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement. The exchange of copies of this [] Supplemental Indenture and of signature pages by facsimile or PDF transmission shall constitute effective execution and delivery of this [] Supplemental Indenture as to the parties hereto and may be used in lieu of the original [] Supplemental Indenture for all purposes. Signatures of the parties hereto transmitted by facsimile or PDF shall be deemed to be their original signatures for all purposes. This [] Supplemental Indenture (and any document delivered in connection with this [] Supplemental Indenture) shall be valid, binding, and enforceable against a party only when executed and delivered by an authorized individual on behalf of the party by means of (i) any electronic signature permitted by the federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, state enactments of the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, and/or any other relevant electronic signatures law, including relevant provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code (collectively, "Signature Law"); (ii) an original manual signature; or (iii) a faxed, scanned, or photocopied manual signature. Each electronic signature or faxed, scanned, or photocopied manual signature shall for all purposes have the same validity, legal effect, and admissibility in evidence as an original manual signature. Each party hereto shall be entitled to conclusively rely upon, and shall have no liability with respect to, any faxed, scanned, or photocopied manual signature, or other electronic signature, of any party and shall have no duty to investigate, confirm or otherwise verify the validity or authenticity thereof. For avoidance of doubt, original manual signatures shall be used for execution or indorsement of writings when required under the UCC or other Signature Law due to the character or intended character of the writings.

Section 3.10 *Execution and Delivery*. Each Guaranteeing Entity agrees that its guarantee shall remain in full force and effect notwithstanding any failure to endorse on each Note a notation of any such guarantee.

Section 3.11 *Headings*. The headings of the Articles and the Sections in this [] Supplemental Indenture are for convenience of reference only and shall not be deemed to alter or affect the meaning or interpretation of any provisions hereof.

[Signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this [_____] Supplemental Indenture to be duly executed as of the date first above written.

[GUARANTEEING ENTITY], as a Guarantor

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

COMPUTERSHARE TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____



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March 7, 2024

Microchip Technology Incorporated
2355 West Chandler Boulevard
Chandler, Arizona 85224-6199

Re: Microchip Technology Incorporated – Issuance and sale of \$1,000,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of 5.050% Senior Notes due 2029

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At your request, we have examined the Registration Statement on Form S-3ASR (the “**Registration Statement**”), filed by Microchip Technology Incorporated, a Delaware corporation (the “**Company**”), Atmel Corporation, a Delaware corporation (“**Atmel**”), Microchip Holding Corporation, a Delaware corporation (“**Holding**”), Microchip Technology LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (“**MT LLC**”), Silicon Storage Technology, Inc., a California corporation (“**SST Inc.**”), Microsemi Corporation, a Delaware corporation (“**Microsemi**”), and Microsemi Storage Solutions, Inc., a Delaware corporation (“**Microsemi Storage**”, and together with MT LLC, SST Inc., Atmel, Holding and Microsemi, each a “**Guarantor**” and, collectively, the “**Guarantors**”), with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “**Commission**”) in connection with the registration pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Act**”), of the proposed issuance and sale, from time to time, by the Company of debt securities and guarantees by each Guarantor of such debt securities, with an indeterminate amount as may at various times be issued at indeterminate prices, in reliance on Rule 456(b) and Rule 457(r) under the Act.

Under the Registration Statement, the Company has issued \$1,000,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of 5.050% Senior Notes due 2029 (the “**Notes**”), pursuant to an Indenture, dated as of February 29, 2024 (the “**Base Indenture**”), between the Company and Computershare Trust Company, National Association, as trustee (the “**Trustee**”), as supplemented by the First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 7, 2024 (the “**Supplemental Indenture**” and the Base Indenture as so supplemented, the “**Indenture**”), among the Company, the Guarantors and the Trustee. The Notes were sold pursuant to an Underwriting Agreement, dated March 5, 2024 (the “**Underwriting Agreement**”), among the Company, the Guarantors, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, BNP Paribas Securities Corp. and BofA Securities, Inc., as representatives of the several underwriters named in the Underwriting Agreement. The Notes will be guaranteed by each Guarantor (each, a “**Guarantee**” and, together with the Notes, the “**Securities**”).

We have examined the Registration Statement, together with the exhibits thereto and the documents incorporated by reference therein; the base prospectus, dated February 29, 2024, together with the documents incorporated by reference therein, filed with the Registration Statement (the “**Base Prospectus**”); the preliminary prospectus supplement, dated March 5,

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2024, in the form filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) of the Securities Act relating to the offering of the Securities; the free writing prospectus, dated March 5, 2024, in the form filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 433 of the Securities Act; the final prospectus supplement, dated March 5, 2024, in the form filed with Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) of the Securities Act relating to the offering of the Securities (collectively with the Base Prospectus, the “**Prospectus Supplement**”); the Indenture and the Notes. In addition, we have examined such other instruments, documents, certificates and records which we have deemed relevant and necessary for the basis of our opinion hereinafter expressed.

In our examination, we have assumed (i) the authenticity of original documents and the genuineness of all signatures; (ii) the conformity to the originals of all documents submitted to us as copies; (iii) the truth, accuracy, and completeness of the information, representations and warranties contained in the records, documents, instruments and certificates we have reviewed; (iv) the Underwriting Agreement has been duly authorized and validly executed and delivered by the parties thereto (other than by the Company and the Guarantors); (v) the legal capacity of all natural persons; and (vi) that the Trustee has the power, corporate or other, to enter into and perform its obligations under the Indenture and that the Indenture will be a valid and binding obligation of the Trustee. As to any facts material to the opinions expressed herein that were not independently established or verified, we have relied upon oral or written statements and representations of officers and other representatives of the Company and each Guarantor.

We express no opinion herein as to the laws of any jurisdiction, other than the federal laws of the United States of America, the laws of the State of New York, the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act and the Corporations Code of the State of California (solely with respect to SST Inc.), as such are in effect on the date hereof, and we have made no inquiry into, and we express no opinion as to, the statutes, regulations, treaties, common laws or other laws of any other nation, state or jurisdiction.

We express no opinion as to (i) the effect of any bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, arrangement, fraudulent conveyance, moratorium or other similar laws relating to or affecting the rights of creditors generally, (ii) rights to indemnification and contribution which may be limited by applicable law or equitable principles, or (iii) the effect of general principles of equity, including, without limitation, concepts of materiality, reasonableness, good faith and fair dealing, the effect of judicial discretion and the possible unavailability of specific performance, injunctive relief or other equitable relief, and the limitations on rights of acceleration, whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at law.

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Our opinions are limited by the effect of statutes and rules of law protecting guarantors, including those (i) which may discharge a guarantor if the beneficiary of the guaranty alters the obligation of a principal, fails to inform the guarantor of material information pertinent to the principal, elects remedies that may impair the subrogation or reimbursement rights of the guarantor against the principal, or otherwise takes any action which prejudices the guarantor, without obtaining consent of the guarantor, and (ii) relating to waivers or subordination by a guarantor of its rights against the principal or otherwise. With respect to the Guarantors that are Delaware corporations, we have assumed that the execution, delivery and performance of the Guarantees are necessary and convenient to the conduct, promotion, and attainment of the business of such Guarantors.

We express no opinion as to the enforceability or legal effect of any provision of the Underwriting Agreement, the Indenture or the Securities purporting to reinstate, as against any obligor or guarantor, obligations or liabilities of such obligor which have been avoided or which have arisen from transactions which have been rescinded or the payment of which has been required to be returned by any court of competent jurisdiction.

Based on such examination and in reliance thereon and having regard for legal considerations which we deem relevant, and subject to the limitations and qualifications set forth herein, we are of the opinion that (i) the Notes have been validly issued and constitute valid and binding obligations of the Company, enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms, (ii) each Guarantee has been validly issued and constitutes the valid and binding obligation of the applicable Guarantor, enforceable against such Guarantor in accordance with its terms, and (iii) the Securities are entitled to the benefits of the Indenture.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the above-referenced Registration Statement and to the use of our name wherever it appears in the Registration Statement, the Base Prospectus, the Prospectus Supplement, and in any amendment or supplement thereto. In giving such consent, we do not believe that we are “experts” within the meaning of such term as used in the Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission issued thereunder with respect to any part of the Registration Statement, including this opinion as an exhibit or otherwise.

Sincerely,

WILSON SONSINI GOODRICH & ROSATI
Professional Corporation

/s/ Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, P.C.