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

FORM 8-K

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Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): June 22, 2016

THE CHEFS' WAREHOUSE, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

001-35249 20-3031526 Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

100 East Ridge Road, Ridgefield, CT 06877

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (203) 894-1345

Not Applicable

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

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01 Entry Into a Material Definitive Agreement

Asset Based Loan Facility

On June 22, 2016, Chefs' Warehouse Parent, LLC ("CW Parent") and Dairyland USA Corporation ("Dairyland"), as co-borrowers, and The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. (the "Company"), The Chefs' Warehouse Mid-Atlantic, LLC, Bel Canto Foods, LLC, The Chefs' Warehouse West Coast, LLC, The Chefs' Warehouse Of Florida, LLC, Michael's Finer Meats, LLC, Michael's Finer Meats Holdings, LLC, The Chefs' Warehouse Midwest, LLC, and certain other subsidiaries of the Company, as guarantors, entered into a credit agreement (the "ABL Credit Agreement") with a group of lenders for which JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., acts as administrative agent and collateral agent.

The ABL Credit Agreement provides for an asset based loan facility (the "ABL Facility") in the aggregate amount of \$75,000,000 of which up to \$15,000,000 is available for letters of credit and up to \$10,000,000 is available for short-term borrowings on a swingline basis. Availability under the ABL Facility will be limited to a borrowing base consisting of the lesser of: (i) the aggregate amount of commitments or (ii) the sum of specified percentages of eligible receivables and eligible inventory, minus certain availability reserves. The co-borrowers under the ABL Facility are entitled on one or more occasions, subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, to request an increase in the commitments under the ABL Facility in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$25,000,000. The ABL Facility matures on June 22, 2021.

All of the indebtedness outstanding under the ABL Facility is guaranteed by the Company and the current and future domestic subsidiaries of CW Parent and Dairyland (other than Dairyland HP, LLC). In addition, the ABL Facility is secured by a first priority security interest (subject to certain permitted liens) in certain property and assets, including accounts, inventory, deposit accounts, securities accounts and other personal property relating to the accounts and inventory, of the Company and its current and future domestic subsidiaries (other than Dairyland HP, LLC), and by a second priority security interest (ranking behind the security interest securing the Term Loan Facility and subject to certain permitted liens) in substantially all of the other personal property and assets of the Company and such subsidiaries.

The interest rates per annum applicable to loans, other than swingline loans, under the ABL Credit Facility will be, at the co-borrowers' option, equal to either a base rate or an adjusted LIBO rate for one, two, three, six or (if consented to by the lenders) 12-month, interest periods chosen by the Company, in each case plus an applicable margin percentage. The co-borrowers will pay certain recurring fees with respect to the ABL Facility, including fees on the unused commitments of the lenders.

The ABL Facility contains customary affirmative covenants, negative covenants and events of default as more particularly described in the ABL Credit Agreement. The ABL Facility will require compliance with a minimum consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio if the amount of availability under the ABL Facility falls below a specified dollar amount or percentage of the borrowing base.

The above summary of the ABL Facility is qualified in its entirety by reference to the ABL Credit Agreement, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Senior Secured Term Loan Credit Facility

On June 22, 2016, CW Parent and Dairyland, as co-borrowers, and the Company and certain other subsidiaries of the Company, as guarantors, entered into a credit agreement (the "Term Loan Credit Agreement") with a group of lenders for which Jefferies Finance LLC ("Jefferies") acts as administrative agent and collateral agent.

The Term Loan Credit Agreement provides for a senior secured term loan B facility (the "Term Loan Facility") in an aggregate amount of \$305,000,000 with a \$50,000,000 six-month delayed draw term loan facility (the "DDTL"; the loans outstanding under the Term Loan Facility (including the DDTL), the "Term Loans"). Use of the DDTL is subject to the Company's consolidated Total Leverage Ratio (as defined in the Term Loan Credit Agreement) not exceeding 4.90:1.00 and the satisfaction of other customary conditions.

Additionally, the co-borrowers under the Term Loan Facility includes an accordion which permits the co-borrowers to request that the lenders extend additional Term Loans in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$50,000,000 (less the aggregate amount of certain indebtedness incurred to finance acquisitions) plus an unlimited amount subject to the Company's Total Leverage Ratio not exceeding 4.90:1.00 on a pro forma basis.

The final maturity of the Term Loan Facility is June 22, 2022. Subject to adjustment for prepayments, the Company is required to make quarterly amortization payments on the Term Loans in an amount equal to 0.25% of the aggregate principal amount of the Term Loans.

All of the indebtedness outstanding under the Term Loan Facility is guaranteed by the Company and the current and future domestic subsidiaries of CW Parent and Dairyland (other than Dairyland HP, LLC). In addition, the Term Loan Facility is secured by a pledge of the equity interests of the Company's current and future domestic subsidiaries (other than Dairyland HP, LLC) and by a first priority security interest (subject to certain permitted liens) in substantially all of the personal property and other assets of the Company and its current and future domestic subsidiaries (other than Dairyland HP, LLC), other than the assets and property securing the ABL Facility on a first priority basis described above under "Asset-Based Loan Facility" (which assets secure the Term Loan Facility on a second priority basis).

The interest rates per annum applicable to Term Loans, will be, at the co-borrowers' option, equal to either a base rate or an adjusted LIBO rate for one, two, three, six or (if consented to by the lenders) 12-month, interest periods chosen by the Company, in each case plus an applicable margin percentage. A commitment fee is payable in respect of the amount of the undrawn DDTL commitments equal to a percentage equal to 50% of the interest rate with respect to Term Loans accruing interest based on the adjusted LIBO rate.

The Term Loan Facility contains customary affirmative covenants, negative covenants (including restrictions, subject to customary exceptions, on incurring debt or liens, paying dividends, repaying payment subordinated and junior lien debt, disposing assets, and making investments and acquisitions), and events of default for a term loan B facility of this type, as more particularly described in the Term Loan Credit Agreement.

The above summary of the Term Loan Facility is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Term Loan Credit Agreement, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.2 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 2.03. Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation Under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

In connection with a previously announced refinancing process, the Company has entered into a new \$305 million term loan facility and a \$50 million delayed draw term loan facility due in 2022. In addition, the Company entered into a five year \$75 million asset backed revolving credit facility. Proceeds from the new term loan were used to refinance the Company's existing revolving credit facility, retire its outstanding senior secured notes, pay related fees, costs and expenses and for general corporate purposes. The information set forth in Item 1.01 and Item 8.01 is incorporated into this Item 2.03 by reference.

Item 8.01 Other Events

In a press release dated June 22, 2016 (the "Press Release"), The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. (the "Company") announced that it completed its previously announced refinancing process. The full text of the Press Release is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

No.	Description
10.1	Credit Agreement, dated as of June 22, 2016, among Chefs' Warehouse Parent, LLC and Dairyland USA Corporation, as Borrowers, and The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc., The Chefs' Warehouse Mid-Atlantic, LLC, Bel Canto Foods, LLC, The Chefs' Warehouse West Coast, LLC, The Chefs' Warehouse Of Florida, LLC, Michael's Finer Meats, LLC, Michael's Finer Meats Holdings, LLC, The Chefs' Warehouse Midwest, LLC, and other Loan Parties party thereto as Guarantors, the Lenders party thereto, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Sole Lead Arranger and Sole Bookrunner, and Administrative Agent, and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Bank of America, N.A. and BMO Harris Bank N.A.as Co-Syndication Agents.
10.2	Credit Agreement, dated as of June 22, 2016, among Dairyland USA Corporation and Chefs' Warehouse Parent, LLC, as Borrowers, and The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. and the other Loan Parties party thereto, as Guarantors, the Lenders party thereto, Jefferies Finance LLC, as Joint Lead Arranger and Joint Bookrunner, Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent, and BMO Capital Markets Corp., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as Joint Lead Arrangers and Joint Bookrunners.
99.1	Press Release of The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. dated June 22, 2016

SIGNATURES

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

THE CHEFS' WAREHOUSE, INC.

By: /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

Date: June 22, 2016

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J.P.Morgan

CREDIT AGREEMENT

dated as of June 22, 2016

Among

CHEFS' WAREHOUSE PARENT, LLC and DAIRYLAND USA CORPORATION, as Borrowers,

THE CHEFS' WAREHOUSE, INC.,
THE CHEFS' WAREHOUSE MID-ATLANTIC, LLC,
BEL CANTO FOODS, LLC,
THE CHEFS' WAREHOUSE WEST COAST, LLC,
THE CHEFS' WAREHOUSE OF FLORIDA, LLC,
MICHAEL'S FINER MEATS, LLC,
MICHAEL'S FINER MEATS HOLDINGS, LLC,
THE CHEFS' WAREHOUSE MIDWEST, LLC, and
the Other Loan Parties Party Hereto,
as Guarantors,

The Lenders Party Hereto,

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., as Administrative Agent,

and

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. and BMO HARRIS FINANCING INC., as Co-Syndication Agents

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., as Sole Bookrunner and Sole Lead Arranger

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Exhibit G-3 -- U.S. Tax Certificate (For Foreign Participants that are Partnerships for U.S. Federal Income Tax Purposes)

Exhibit G-4 -- U.S. Tax Certificate (For Foreign that are Partnerships for U.S. Federal Income Tax Purposes)

Exhibit H – Form of Borrowing Base

CREDIT AGREEMENT dated as of June 22, 2016 (as it may be further amended or modified from time to time, this "<u>Agreement</u>") among CHEFS' WAREHOUSE PARENT, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("<u>CW Parent</u>"), and DAIRYLAND USA CORPORATION, a New York corporation ("<u>Dairyland</u>"), as Borrowers, the other Loan Parties party hereto, the Lenders party hereto, and JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., as Administrative Agent.

The parties hereto agree as follows:

ARTICLE I.

DEFINITIONS

SECTION 1.01 <u>Defined Terms</u>. As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings specified below:

- "ABR", when used in reference to any Loan or Borrowing, refers to a Loan, or the Loans comprising such Borrowing, bearing interest at a rate determined by reference to the Alternate Base Rate.
- "Acceptable Field Examination" means a field examination conducted by the Administrative Agent or its designee of the Loan Parties' Accounts, Inventory and related working capital matters and of the Loan Parties' related data processing and other systems, the results of which shall be satisfactory to the Administrative Agent in its Permitted Discretion.
- "Acceptable Inventory Appraisal" means an appraisal of the Loan Parties' Inventory from one or more firms satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, which appraisals shall be satisfactory to the Administrative Agent in its Permitted Discretion.
 - "Account" has the meaning assigned to such term in the Security Agreement.
 - "Account Debtor" means any Person obligated on an Account.
- "Adjusted LIBO Rate" means, with respect to any Eurodollar Borrowing for any Interest Period or for any ABR Borrowing, an interest rate per annum (rounded upwards, if necessary, to the next 1/16 of 1%) equal to (a) the LIBO Rate for such Interest Period multiplied by (b) the Statutory Reserve Rate.
- "Administrative Agent" means JPMCB, in its capacity as administrative agent for the Lenders hereunder and any successor Administrative Agent appointed pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.
 - "Administrative Questionnaire" means an administrative questionnaire in a form supplied by the Administrative Agent.
- "Affected Foreign Subsidiary." means any Foreign Subsidiary to the extent 66 2/3% or more of the voting Equity Interests of such Foreign Subsidiary being pledged to support the Secured Obligations could reasonably be expected to cause a Deemed Dividend Issue.
- "Affiliate" means, with respect to a specified Person, another Person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, Controls or is Controlled by or is under common Control with the Person specified.
 - "Agent Party" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.01(d).

- "Aggregate Commitment" means the aggregate of the Commitments of all of the Lenders, as reduced or increased from time to time pursuant to the terms and conditions hereof. As of the Effective Date, the Aggregate Commitment is \$75,000,000.
 - "Aggregate Revolving Exposure" means, at any time, the aggregate Revolving Exposures of all the Lenders.
 - "Agreement" has the meaning ascribed to it in the preamble.
- "Alternate Base Rate" means, for any day, a rate per annum equal to the greatest of (a) the Prime Rate in effect on such day, (b) the NYFRB Rate in effect on such day plus ½ of 1% and (c) the Adjusted LIBO Rate for a one month Interest Period on such day (or if such day is not a Business Day, the immediately preceding Business Day) plus 1%, provided that, the Adjusted LIBO Rate for any day shall be based on the LIBO Rate at approximately 11:00 a.m. London time on such day, subject to the interest rate floors set forth therein. Any change in the Alternate Base Rate due to a change in the Prime Rate, the NYFRB Rate or the Adjusted LIBO Rate shall be effective from and including the effective date of such change in the Prime Rate, the NYFRB Rate or the Adjusted LIBO Rate, respectively. If the Alternate Base Rate is being used as an alternate rate of interest pursuant to Section 2.14 hereof, then the Alternate Base Rate shall be the greater of clause (a) and (b) above and shall be determined without reference to clause (c) above.
- "Anti-Corruption Laws" means all laws, rules, and regulations of any jurisdiction applicable to any Borrower or any Affiliate of any Borrower from time to time concerning or relating to bribery or corruption.
- "Applicable Commitment Fee Rate" means, for any day, with respect to the commitment fees payable hereunder, the applicable percentage per annum set forth below, based upon average daily Total Commitment Utilization for the most recent Fiscal Quarter, as calculated by the Borrowers and confirmed by the Administrative Agent as of the last day of such Fiscal Quarter:

Average Daily Total Commitment Utilization	Applicable Commitment Fee Rate
≥ 50%	0.250%
< 50%	0.375%

For purposes of the foregoing, (a) the Applicable Commitment Fee Rate shall be determined on the last day of each Fiscal Quarter ending after the Effective Date based upon average daily Total Commitment Utilization for such Fiscal Quarter and (b) each change in the Applicable Commitment Fee Rate resulting from a change in average daily Total Commitment Utilization shall be made on a quarterly basis and shall be effective on the first day of each quarter; provided that, the Applicable Commitment Fee Rate shall be deemed to be 0.375% at the option of the Administrative Agent or at the request of the Required Lenders if the Borrower Representative fails to deliver any Compliance Certificate with its calculation of average daily Total Commitment Utilization within the time required pursuant to Section 5.01(d), or if the Borrower Representative fails to deliver any Borrowing Base Certificate within the time period required pursuant to Section 5.01(g), until three (3) Business Days after such Compliance Certificate or Borrowing Base Certificate, as applicable, is delivered.

"Applicable Percentage" means, with respect to any Lender, the percentage of the Aggregate Commitment represented by such Lender's Commitment; provided that, in the case of Section 2.20 when a Defaulting Lender shall exist, "Applicable Percentage" shall mean the percentage of the Aggregate Commitment (disregarding any Defaulting Lender's Commitment) represented by such Lender's Commitment. If the Commitments have terminated or expired, the Applicable Percentages shall be determined based upon the Commitments most recently in effect, giving effect to any assignments and to any Lender's status as a Defaulting Lender at the time of determination.

"Applicable Pledge Percentage" means 100% but 65% in the case of a pledge by the Borrowers or any Domestic Subsidiary of its Equity Interests in an Affected Foreign Subsidiary or its Equity Interests in a FSHCO.

"Applicable Rate" means, for any day, with respect to any Eurodollar Loan or any ABR Loan, as the case may be, the applicable rate per annum set forth below under the caption "Eurodollar Spread" or "ABR Spread", as the case may be, based upon the Total Leverage Ratio applicable on such date; provided that, until the delivery to the Administrative Agent, pursuant to Section 5.01, of Holdings' consolidated financial information for the Holdings' first Fiscal Quarter ending after the Effective Date, the "Applicable Rate" shall be the applicable rates per annum set forth below in Category 2:

	<u>Total Leverage Ratio</u> :	<u>Eurodollar</u> <u>Spread</u>	ABR Spread
Category 1:	< 4.50 to 1.00	1.50%	0.50%
Category 2:	≥ 4.50 to 1.00 but < 6.00 to 1.00	1.75%	0.75%
Category 3:	≥ 6.00 to 1.00	2.00%	1.00%

For purposes of the foregoing, (a) the Applicable Rate shall be determined as of the end of each Fiscal Quarter based upon the Holdings' annual or quarterly consolidated financial statements delivered pursuant to Section 5.01 and (b) each change in the Applicable Rate resulting from a change in the Total Leverage Ratio shall be effective during the period commencing on and including the date of delivery to the Administrative Agent of such consolidated financial statements indicating such change and ending on the date immediately preceding the effective date of the next such change; provided that the Total Leverage Ratio shall be deemed to be in Category 3 at the option of the Administrative Agent or at the request of the Required Lenders if the Borrowers fail to deliver the annual or quarterly consolidated financial statements required to be delivered by it pursuant to Section 5.01, during the period from the expiration of the time for delivery thereof until such consolidated financial statements are delivered.

"Approved Fund" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.04(b).

"Assignment and Assumption" means an assignment and assumption agreement entered into by a Lender and an assignee (with the consent of any party whose consent is required by Section 9.04), and accepted by the Administrative Agent, in the form of Exhibit A or any other form approved by the Administrative Agent.

"<u>Authorized Officer</u>" means, with respect to any Loan Party, the chief executive officer, the president, a Financial Officer or any other officer of such Loan Party with responsibility for the administration of the relevant portion of this Agreement.

- "Availability" means, at any time, an amount equal to (a) the lesser of (i) the Aggregate Commitment and (ii) the Borrowing Base minus (b) the Aggregate Revolving Exposure (calculated, with respect to any Defaulting Lender, as if such Defaulting Lender had funded its Applicable Percentage of all outstanding Borrowings).
- "Availability Period" means the period from and including the Effective Date to but excluding the earlier of the Maturity Date and the date of termination of the Commitments.
- "Available Commitment" means, at any time, the Aggregate Commitment then in effect <u>minus</u> the Aggregate Revolving Exposure (calculated, with respect to any Defaulting Lender, as if such Defaulting Lender had funded its Applicable Percentage of all outstanding Borrowings).
- "Bail-In Action" means the exercise of any Write-Down and Conversion Powers by the applicable EEA Resolution Authority in respect of any liability of an EEA Financial Institution.
- "Bail-In Legislation" means, with respect to any EEA Member Country implementing Article 55 of Directive 2014/59/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of the European Union, the implementing law for such EEA Member Country from time to time which is described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule.
- "Banking Services" means each and any of the following bank services provided to any Loan Party or any Subsidiary by any Lender or any of its Affiliates: (a) credit cards for commercial customers (including, without limitation, "commercial credit cards" and purchasing cards), (b) stored value cards, (c) merchant processing services and (d) treasury management services (including, without limitation, controlled disbursement, automated clearinghouse transactions, return items, any direct debit scheme or arrangement, overdrafts and interstate depository network services).
- "Banking Services Obligations" means any and all obligations of the Loan Parties or any Subsidiary, whether absolute or contingent and howsoever and whensoever created, arising, evidenced or acquired (including all renewals, extensions and modifications thereof and substitutions therefor) in connection with Banking Services.
- "Banking Services Reserves" means all Reserves which the Administrative Agent from time to time establishes in its Permitted Discretion for Banking Services then provided or outstanding.
- "Bankruptcy Event" means, with respect to any Person, such Person becomes the subject of a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding, or has had a receiver, conservator, trustee, administrator, custodian, assignee for the benefit of creditors or similar Person charged with reorganization or liquidation of its business, appointed for it, or, in the good faith determination of the Administrative Agent, has taken any action in furtherance of, or indicating its consent to, approval of, or acquiescence in, any such proceeding or appointment; provided that a Bankruptcy Event shall not result solely by virtue of any ownership interest, or the acquisition of any ownership interest, in such Person by a Governmental Authority or instrumentality thereof; provided, further, that such ownership interest does not result in or provide such Person with immunity from the jurisdiction of courts within the United States or from the enforcement of judgments or writs of attachment on its assets or permit such Person (or such Governmental Authority or instrumentality), to reject, repudiate, disavow or disaffirm any contracts or agreements made by such Person.

"Beneficial Owner" means, with respect to any U.S. Federal withholding Tax, the beneficial owner, for U.S. Federal income tax purposes, to whom such Tax relates.

- "Board" means the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System of the United States of America.
- "Borrower" or "Borrowers" means, individually or collectively, CW Parent and Dairyland.
- "Borrower Representative" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 11.01.

"Borrowing" means (a) Revolving Loans of the same Type, made, converted or continued on the same date and, in the case of Eurodollar Loans, as to which a single Interest Period is in effect, (b) Loans of the same Type, made, converted or continued on the same date and, in the case of Eurodollar Loans, as to which a single Interest Period is in effect, (c) a Swingline Loan, (d) a Protective Advance and (e) an Overadvance.

"Borrowing Base" means, at any time, the sum of (a) 85% of Eligible Accounts of the Loan Parties (other than Holdings) at such time <u>plus</u> (b) the lesser of (i) 70% of the Eligible Inventory of the Loan Parties (other than Holdings) at such time, valued at the lower of cost or market value, determined on a first-in-first-out basis and (ii) the product of 85% <u>multiplied by</u> the Net Orderly Liquidation Value (expressed as a percentage) identified in the most recent inventory appraisal ordered by the Administrative Agent <u>multiplied by</u> the Eligible Inventory of the Loan Parties (other than Holdings), valued at the lower of cost or market value, determined on a first-in-first-out basis, <u>minus</u> (c) Reserves. The Borrowing Base at any time shall be determined by reference to the most recent Borrowing Base Certificate delivered to the Administrative Agent pursuant to <u>Section 5.01(g)</u> (or, prior to the delivery of the initial Borrowing Base Certificate pursuant to <u>Section 5.01(g)</u>, the Borrowing Base Certificate delivered pursuant to <u>Section 4.01(h)</u>), as adjusted to give effect to Reserves determined in the Permitted Discretion of the Administrative Agent following such delivery.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, until the earlier of (x) the date that is forty-five (45) days following the Effective Date (or such later date as the Administrative Agent may agree to in its reasonable discretion) and (y) the first date on which the Administrative Agent shall have received an Acceptable Inventory Appraisal and an Acceptable Field Examination shall have been completed, the Borrowing Base shall be deemed to be an amount, at any time, equal to the lesser of (A) \$75,000,000 and (B) the sum of (1) 65% of the book value of the Accounts of the Loan Parties (other than Holdings) at such time plus (2) 40% of the book value of the Loan Parties' (other than Holdings') Inventory at such time minus (3) Reserves.

"Borrowing Base Certificate" means a certificate, signed and certified as accurate and complete by a Financial Officer of the Borrower Representative, in substantially the form of Exhibit H or another form which is acceptable to the Administrative Agent in its sole discretion.

"Borrowing Request" means a request by the Borrower Representative for a Revolving Borrowing in accordance with Section 2.03.

"Business Day" means any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banks in New York City are authorized or required by law to remain closed; <u>provided</u> that, when used in connection with a Eurodollar Loan, the term "Business Day" shall also exclude any day on which banks are not open for dealings in Dollar deposits in the London interbank market.

"<u>Capital Expenditures</u>" means, without duplication, any expenditure or commitment to expend money for any purchase or other acquisition of any asset which would be classified as a fixed or capital asset on a consolidated balance sheet of Holdings and its Subsidiaries prepared in accordance with GAAP.

"<u>Capital Lease Obligations</u>" of any Person means the obligations of such Person to pay rent or other amounts under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, in each case, which obligations are required to be classified and accounted for as capital leases on a balance sheet of such Person under GAAP, and the amount of such obligations shall be the capitalized amount thereof determined in accordance with GAAP.

"Change in Control" means (a) the acquisition of ownership, directly or indirectly, beneficially or of record, by any Person or group (within the meaning of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules of the SEC thereunder as in effect on the Effective Date) other than (i) Christopher Pappas, John Pappas, Dean Facatselis or Kay Facatselis (collectively, the "Permitted Holders"), (ii) the officers, directors or management of Holdings as of the Effective Date or (iii) any corporation, limited liability company or partnership owned and controlled directly or directly by any Person or Persons described in clauses (i) and (ii), of Equity Interests representing more than 50% of the aggregate ordinary voting power represented by the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of Holdings or (b) Holdings shall cease to own and control all of the outstanding Equity Interests of any of the Borrowers on a fully diluted basis.

"Change in Law" means the occurrence, after the Effective Date (or with respect to any Lender, if later, the date on which such Lender becomes a Lender), of any of the following: (a) the adoption or taking effect of any law, rule, regulation or treaty, (b) any change in any law, rule, regulation or treaty or in the administration, interpretation, implementation or application thereof by any Governmental Authority, or (c) the making or issuance of any request, rules, guideline, requirement or directive (whether or not having the force of law) by any Governmental Authority; provided however, that notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, (i) the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and all requests, rules, guidelines, requirements and directives thereunder, issued in connection therewith or in implementation thereof, and (ii) all requests, rules, guidelines, requirements and directives promulgated by the Bank for International Settlements, the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (or any successor or similar authority) or the United States or foreign regulatory authorities, in each case pursuant to Basel III, shall in each case be deemed to be a "Change in Law" regardless of the date enacted, adopted, issued or implemented.

"Charges" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.17.

"Class" when used in reference to any Loan or Borrowing, refers to whether such Loan, or the Loans comprising such Borrowing, are Revolving Loans, Swingline Loans, Protective Advances or Overadvances.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

"Co-Syndication Agent" means each of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Bank of America, N.A. and BMO Harris Financing Inc. in its capacity as cosyndication agent for the credit facility evidenced by this Agreement.

"Collateral" means any and all property owned by a Person that is covered by or purported to be covered by the Collateral Documents and any and all other property of any Loan Party, now existing or hereafter acquired, that may at any time be or become subject to a Lien in favor of the Administrative Agent, on behalf of itself and the Lenders and other Secured Parties, to secure the Secured Obligations; provided that "Collateral" shall not include any Excluded Assets or, for the avoidance of doubt, any of the Equity Interests in, or property or assets of, the Excluded Subsidiary.

"Collateral Access Agreement" has the meaning assigned to such term in the Security Agreement.

"Collateral Documents" means, collectively, the Security Agreement, any short form intellectual property security agreement and all other agreements, instruments and documents executed in connection with this Agreement that are intended to create, perfect or evidence Liens to secure the Secured Obligations.

"Collection Account" has the meaning assigned to such term in the Security Agreement.

"Commercial LC Exposure" means, at any time, the sum of (a) the aggregate undrawn amount of all outstanding commercial Letters of Credit plus
(b) the aggregate amount of all LC Disbursements relating to commercial Letters of Credit that have not yet been reimbursed by or on behalf of the Borrowers. The Commercial LC Exposure of any Lender at any time shall be its Applicable Percentage of the aggregate Commercial LC Exposure at such time.

"Commitment" means, with respect to each Lender, the commitment, if any, of such Lender to make Revolving Loans and to acquire participations in Letters of Credit, Overadvances, Protective Advances and Swingline Loans hereunder, expressed as an amount representing the maximum aggregate permitted amount of such Lender's Revolving Exposure hereunder, as such commitment may be reduced or increased from time to time pursuant to (a) Section 2.09 and (b) assignments by or to such Lender pursuant to Section 9.04. The initial amount of each Lender's Commitment is set forth on the Commitment Schedule, or in the Assignment and Assumption pursuant to which such Lender shall have assumed its Commitment, as applicable.

"Commitment Schedule" means the Schedule attached hereto identified as such.

"Commodity Exchange Act" means the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. § 1 et seq.), as amended from time to time, and any successor statute.

"Communications" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.01(d).

"Compliance Certificate" means a certificate of a Financial Officer of Holdings in substantially the form of Exhibit E or such other form which is approved by the Administrative Agent from time to time in its reasonable discretion.

"Connection Income Taxes" means Other Connection Taxes that are imposed on or measured by net income (however denominated) or that are franchise Taxes or branch profits Taxes.

"Control" means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of a Person, whether through the ability to exercise voting power, by contract or otherwise. "Controlling" and "Controlled" have meanings correlative thereto.

"Credit Party" means the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank, the Swingline Lender or any other Lender.

"CW LV Real Estate" means CW LV Real Estate LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

"CW Parent" has the meaning ascribed to it in the preamble.

"Dairyland" has the meaning ascribed to it in the preamble.

"Dairyland HP" means Dairyland HP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

"Dairyland HP Facility" means the premises at 200-240 Food Center Drive, Bronx, New York.

"<u>Dairyland HP Indebtedness</u>" means the Indebtedness (including, without limitation, loans and Guarantees) incurred under the New Markets Tax Credit Financing.

"<u>Deemed Dividend Issue</u>" means, with respect to any Foreign Subsidiary, such Foreign Subsidiary's accumulated and undistributed earnings and profits being deemed to be repatriated to Holdings or the applicable parent Domestic Subsidiary under Section 956 of the Code and the effect of such repatriation causing materially adverse tax consequences to Holdings or such parent Domestic Subsidiary, in each case as determined by the Borrower Representative in its commercially reasonable judgment acting in good faith and in consultation with its legal and tax advisors.

"<u>Default</u>" means any event or condition which constitutes an Event of Default or which upon notice, lapse of time or both would, unless cured or waived, become an Event of Default.

"Defaulting Lender" means any Lender that (a) has failed, within two (2) Business Days of the date required to be funded or paid, to (i) fund any portion of its Loans, (ii) fund any portion of its participations in Letters of Credit or Swingline Loans or (iii) pay over to any Credit Party any other amount required to be paid by it hereunder, unless, in the case of clause (i) above, such Lender notifies the Administrative Agent in writing that such failure is the result of such Lender's good faith determination that a condition precedent to funding (specifically identified and including the particular Default, if any) has not been satisfied; (b) has notified any Borrower or any Credit Party in writing, or has made a public statement, to the effect that it does not intend or expect to comply with any of its funding obligations under this Agreement (unless such writing or public statement indicates that such position is based on such Lender's good faith determination that a condition precedent to funding a Loan under this Agreement (specifically identified and including the particular Default, if any) cannot be satisfied) or generally under other agreements in which it commits to extend credit; (c) has failed, within three (3) Business Days after request by a Credit Party, acting in good faith, to provide a certification in writing from an authorized officer of such Lender that it will comply with its obligations to fund prospective Loans and participations in then outstanding Letters of Credit and Swingline Loans under this Agreement; provided that such Lender shall cease to be a Defaulting Lender pursuant to this clause (c) upon such Credit Party's receipt of such certification in form and substance satisfactory to it and the Administrative Agent, or (d) has become the subject of a (ii) Bankruptcy Event or (iii) Bail-In Action.

"Dollars" or "\$" refers to lawful money of the United States of America.

"Domestic Subsidiary" means a Subsidiary organized under the laws of a jurisdiction located in the United States of America.

"EBITDA" means, for any period, Net Income for such period <u>plus</u> (a) without duplication and to the extent deducted in determining Net Income for such period, the sum of (i) Interest Expense for such period, (ii) income tax expense for such period net of tax refunds, (iii) all amounts attributable to depreciation and amortization expense for such period, (iv) any extraordinary non-cash charges for such period, (v) any other non-cash charges for such period (but excluding any non-cash charge in respect of an item that was included in Net Income in a prior period and any non-cash charge that relates to the write-down or write-off of inventory or accounts receivable), (vi) non-recurring fees, cash charges and other cash expenses made or incurred in connection with a completed Permitted Acquisition, (vii) non-recurring cash charges related to workers' compensation claims, (viii) non-recurring fees, cash charges and other cash expenses, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 for any period of four (4) consecutive Fiscal Quarters and (ix) expected cost savings, operating expense reductions, other operating improvements and expense reductions and product margin synergies and product cost and other synergies ("Expected Cost Savings") projected by the Borrower Representative in good faith to be realized as a result of any asset sale, merger or other business combination, acquisition, investment, disposition or divestiture, operating improvement and expense reductions, restructurings, cost saving initiatives, any similar initiative and/or specified transaction taken or to be taken by Holdings or any of its Subsidiaries, net of the amount of actual benefits realized during such period from such actions (any such action, a "Cost Saving Initiative");

provided that (A) a duly completed certificate signed by a Financial Officer of the Borrower Representative shall be delivered to the Administrative Agent certifying that such Expected Cost Savings are reasonably expected and factually supportable in the good faith judgment of the Borrower Representative, together with reasonably detailed evidence in support thereof, (B) such Expected Cost Savings are reasonably anticipated to be realized within twelve (12) months after the related Cost Saving Initiative, (C) no Expected Cost Savings shall be added to the extent duplicative of any expenses or charges otherwise added to EBITDA, whether through a pro forma adjustment or otherwise for the applicable period, and (D) the aggregate amount that can be added back in reliance on this clause (ix), shall not exceed 10% of EBITDA in any period (calculated before giving effect to any such add-backs and adjustments and which 10% cap shall not apply to amounts added back in reliance on any other clause in this definition of "EBITDA"), minus (b) without duplication and to the extent included in Net Income, any extraordinary gains and any non-cash items of income for such period, all calculated for Holdings and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

"ECP" means an "eligible contract participant" as defined in Section 1(a)(18) of the Commodity Exchange Act or any regulations promulgated thereunder and the applicable rules issued by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and/or the SEC.

"EEA Financial Institution" means (a) any institution established in any EEA Member Country which is subject to the supervision of an EEA Resolution Authority, (b) any entity established in an EEA Member Country which is a parent of an institution described in clause (a) of this definition, or (c) any institution established in an EEA Member Country which is a subsidiary of an institution described in clauses (a) or (b) of this definition and is subject to consolidated supervision with its parent.

"EEA Member Country" means any of the member states of the European Union, Iceland, Liechtenstein, and Norway.

"EEA Resolution Authority." means any public administrative authority or any Person entrusted with public administrative authority of any EEA Member Country (including any delegee) having responsibility for the resolution of any EEA Financial Institution.

"Effective Date" means the date on which the conditions specified in Section 4.01 are satisfied (or waived in accordance with Section 9.02).

"<u>Electronic Signature</u>" means an electronic sound, symbol, or process attached to, or associated with, a contract or other record and adopted by a Person with the intent to sign, authenticate or accept such contract or record.

"<u>Electronic System</u>" means any electronic system, including e-mail, e-fax, web portal access for any Borrower, Intralinks[®], ClearPar[®], Debt Domain, Syndtrak and any other Internet or extranet-based site, whether such electronic system is owned, operated or hosted by the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank and any of its respective Related Parties or any other Person, providing for access to data protected by passcodes or other security system.

"<u>Eligible Accounts</u>" means, at any time, the Accounts of any Loan Party which in accordance with the terms hereof are not excluded as ineligible by virtue of one or more of the criteria set forth below. Eligible Accounts shall not include any Account of a Loan Party:

- (a) which is not subject to a first priority perfected security interest in favor of the Administrative Agent;
- (b) which is subject to any Lien other than (i) a Lien in favor of the Administrative Agent, (ii) a Permitted Encumbrance which does not have priority over the Lien in favor of the Administrative Agent or (iii) a Lien permitted under Section 6.02(a)(ii);
- (c) (i) which is unpaid more than ninety (90) days after the date of the original invoice therefor or more than sixty (60) days after the original due date therefor ("Overage") (when calculating the amount under this clause (i), for the same Account Debtor, the Administrative Agent shall include the net amount of such Overage and add back any credits, but only to the extent that such credits do not exceed the total gross receivables from such Account Debtor), or (ii) which has been written off the books of such Loan Party or otherwise designated as uncollectible;
- (d) which is owing by an Account Debtor for which more than 50% of the Accounts owing from such Account Debtor and its Affiliates are ineligible hereunder;
- (e) which is owing by an Account Debtor to the extent the aggregate amount of Accounts owing from such Account Debtor and its Affiliates to all Loan Parties exceeds 20% of the aggregate amount of Eligible Accounts of all Loan Parties, but only to the extent of such excess;
- (f) with respect to which any covenant, representation or warranty contained in any Loan Document with respect to such Account has been breached or is not true in any material respect (or, with respect to any covenant, representation or warranty which is subject to any materiality qualifier, has been breached or is not true in any respect);
- (g) which (i) does not arise from the sale of goods or performance of services in the ordinary course of business, (ii) is not evidenced by an invoice or other documentation reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent which has been sent to the Account Debtor, (iii) represents a progress billing, (iv) is contingent upon such Loan Party's completion of any further performance, (v) represents a sale on a bill-and-hold, guaranteed sale, sale-and-return, sale on approval, consignment, or any other repurchase or return basis or (vi) relates to payments of interest;
- (h) for which the goods giving rise to such Account have not been shipped to the Account Debtor or for which the services giving rise to such Account have not been performed by such Loan Party or if such Account was invoiced more than once;
 - (i) with respect to which any check or other instrument of payment has been returned uncollected for any reason;
- (j) which is owed by an Account Debtor which has (i) applied for, suffered, or consented to the appointment of any receiver, custodian, trustee, or liquidator of its assets, (ii) had possession of all or a material part of its property taken by any receiver, custodian, trustee or liquidator, (iii) filed, or had filed against it, any request or petition for liquidation, reorganization, arrangement, adjustment of debts, adjudication as bankrupt, winding-up, or voluntary or involuntary case under any state or federal bankruptcy laws (other than post-petition accounts payable of an Account Debtor that is a debtor-in-possession under the Bankruptcy Code and reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent), (iv) admitted in writing its inability, or is generally unable to, pay its debts as they become due, (v) become insolvent, or (vi) ceased operation of its business;

- (k) which, to the actual knowledge of such Loan Party, is owed by any Account Debtor which has sold all or substantially all of its assets;
- (l) which is owed by an Account Debtor which (i) does not maintain its chief executive office in the U.S. (including any territory thereof) or Canada or (ii) is not organized under applicable law of the U.S., any state of the U.S., or the District of Columbia, Canada, or any province of Canada unless, in any such case, such Account is backed by a letter of credit reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and such letter of credit is subject to a first priority perfected Lien in favor of the Administrative Agent;
 - (m) which is owed in any currency other than U.S. dollars or Canadian dollars;
- (n) which is owed by (i) any Governmental Authority of any country other than the U.S. unless such Account is backed by a Letter of Credit reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent which is in the possession of, and is directly drawable by, the Administrative Agent, or (ii) any Governmental Authority of the U.S., or any department, agency, public corporation, or instrumentality thereof, unless the Federal Assignment of Claims Act of 1940, as amended (31 U.S.C. § 3727 et seq. and 41 U.S.C. § 15 et seq.), and any other steps necessary to perfect the Lien of the Administrative Agent in such Account have been complied with to the Administrative Agent's satisfaction in its Permitted Discretion;
- (o) which is owed by any Affiliate of any Loan Party, any Permitted Holder, or any employee, officer, director, agent or stockholder (other than a stockholder of Holdings) of any Loan Party or any of its Affiliates;
- (p) which is owed by an Account Debtor or any Affiliate of such Account Debtor to which any Loan Party is indebted, but only to the extent of such indebtedness, or is subject to any security, deposit, progress payment, retainage or other similar advance made by or for the benefit of an Account Debtor, in each case to the extent thereof;
- (q) which is subject to any counterclaim, deduction, defense, setoff or dispute, but only to the extent of any such counterclaim, deduction, defense, setoff or dispute;
 - (r) which is evidenced by any promissory note, chattel paper or instrument;
- (s) which is owed by an Account Debtor (i) located in any jurisdiction which requires filing of a "Notice of Business Activities Report" or other similar report in order to permit such Loan Party to seek judicial enforcement in such jurisdiction of payment of such Account, unless such Loan Party has filed such report or qualified to do business in such jurisdiction or (ii) which is a Sanctioned Person;
- (t) (i) with respect to which such Loan Party has made any agreement with the Account Debtor for any reduction thereof (other than discounts and adjustments given in the ordinary course of business), but only to the extent of any such reduction or (ii) which was partially paid and such Loan Party created a new receivable for the unpaid portion of such Account;

- (u) which does not comply in all material respects with the requirements of all applicable laws and regulations, whether Federal, state or local;
- (v) which is for goods that have been sold under a purchase order or pursuant to the terms of a contract or other agreement or understanding (written or oral) that indicates or purports that any Person other than such Loan Party has or has had an ownership interest in such goods, or which indicates any party other than such Loan Party as payee or remittance party; or
 - (w) which was created on cash on delivery terms.

In determining the amount of an Eligible Account of a Loan Party, the face amount of an Account may, in the Administrative Agent's Permitted Discretion, be reduced by, without duplication, to the extent not reflected in such face amount, (i) the amount of all accrued and actual discounts, claims, credits or credits pending, promotional program allowances, price adjustments, finance charges or other allowances (including any amount that such Borrower may be obligated to rebate to an Account Debtor pursuant to the terms of any agreement or understanding (written or oral)) and (ii) the aggregate amount of all cash received in respect of such Account but not yet applied by such Loan Party to reduce the amount of such Account.

"<u>Eligible Inventory</u>" means, at any time, the Inventory of any Loan Party which in accordance with the terms hereof is not excluded as ineligible by virtue of one or more of the criteria set forth below. Eligible Inventory of a Loan Party shall not include any Inventory:

- (a) which is not subject to a first priority perfected Lien in favor of the Administrative Agent;
- (b) which is subject to any Lien other than (i) a Lien in favor of the Administrative Agent, (ii) a Permitted Encumbrance which does not have priority over the Lien in favor of the Administrative Agent or (iii) a Lien permitted under Section 6.02(a)(ii);
- (c) which is, in the Administrative Agent's Permitted Discretion, slow moving, obsolete, unmerchantable, defective, used or unfit for sale;
- (d) with respect to which any covenant, representation or warranty contained in any Loan Document with respect to such Inventory has been breached or is not true in any material respect (or, with respect to any covenant, representation or warranty which is subject to any materiality qualifier, has been breached or is not true in any respect) and which is not in material compliance with all standards imposed by any Governmental Authority having regulatory authority over such Inventory, its use or sale;
- (e) in which any Person other than such Loan Party shall (i) have any direct or indirect ownership, interest or title or (ii) be indicated on any purchase order or invoice with respect to such Inventory as having or purporting to have an interest therein;
- (f) which is not finished goods or which constitutes work-in-process, raw materials, spare or replacement parts, subassemblies, packaging and shipping material, manufacturing supplies, samples, prototypes, displays or display items, bill-and-hold or ship-in-place goods, goods that are returned or marked for return, repossessed goods, defective or damaged goods, goods held on consignment, or goods which are not of a type held for sale in the ordinary course of business;

- (g) which is not located in the U.S.;
- (h) which is located in any location leased by such Loan Party unless (i) the aggregate value of Inventory of the Loan Parties at such location exceeds \$100,000 and (ii) (x)the lessor has delivered to the Administrative Agent a Collateral Access Agreement or (y) a Reserve for rent, charges and other amounts due or to become due with respect to such facility has been established by the Administrative Agent in its Permitted Discretion;
- (i) which is located in any third party warehouse or is in the possession of a bailee (other than a third party processor) and is not evidenced by a Document, unless (i) the aggregate value of Inventory of the Loan Parties at such third party warehouse or in the possession of such bailee, as applicable, exceeds \$100,000 and (ii) (x) such warehouseman or bailee has delivered to the Administrative Agent a Collateral Access Agreement and such other documentation as the Administrative Agent may require or (y) an appropriate Reserve has been established by the Administrative Agent in its Permitted Discretion;
- (j) which is being processed offsite at a third party location or outside processor, or is in-transit to or from such third party location or outside processor;
- (k) which is a discontinued product or component thereof, unless such discontinuance does not adversely impact the saleability of the remaining Inventory;
 - (l) which is the subject of a consignment by such Loan Party as consignor;
 - (m) which is a liquid dairy product, eggs or produce;
- (n) which contains or bears any intellectual property rights licensed to such Loan Party by any Person other than a Loan Party unless the Administrative Agent is reasonably satisfied that it may sell or otherwise dispose of such Inventory without (i) infringing the rights of such licensor, (ii) violating any contract with such licensor, or (iii) incurring any liability with respect to payment of royalties other than royalties incurred pursuant to sale of such Inventory under the current licensing agreement relating thereto;
 - (o) which is not reflected in a current perpetual inventory report of such Loan Party;
 - (p) for which reclamation rights have been asserted by the seller; or
 - (q) which has been acquired from a Sanctioned Person.

"Environmental Laws" means all laws (including, without limitation, common law), rules, regulations, codes, ordinances, orders, decrees, judgments, injunctions, notices or binding agreements issued, promulgated or entered into by any Governmental Authority, relating in any way to the environment, preservation or reclamation of natural resources, the management, release or threatened release of any Hazardous Material or to public or worker health and safety matters.

"Environmental Liability" means any liability, contingent or otherwise (including any liability for damages, costs of environmental remediation, fines, penalties or indemnities), of Holdings or any Subsidiary directly or indirectly resulting from or based upon (a) any violation of any Environmental Law, (b) the generation, use, handling, transportation, storage, treatment or disposal of any Hazardous Materials, (c) any exposure to any Hazardous Materials, (d) the release or threatened release of any Hazardous Materials into the environment or (e) any contract, agreement or other consensual arrangement pursuant to which liability is assumed or imposed with respect to any of the foregoing.

"Equity Interests" means shares of capital stock, partnership interests, membership interests in a limited liability company, beneficial interests in a trust or other equity ownership interests in a Person, and any warrants, options or other rights entitling the holder thereof to purchase or acquire any such equity interest. Notwithstanding the foregoing, neither Permitted Convertible Notes nor Permitted Call Spread Swap Agreements shall constitute Equity Interests.

"ERISA" means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended from time to time, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder from time to time in effect.

"ERISA Affiliate" means any trade or business (whether or not incorporated) that, together with a Borrower, is treated as a single employer under Section 414(b) or (c) of the Code or, solely for purposes of Section 302 of ERISA and Section 412 of the Code, is treated as a single employer under Section 414 of the Code.

"ERISA Event" means (a) any "reportable event", as defined in Section 4043 of ERISA or the regulations issued thereunder with respect to a Plan (other than an event for which the 30-day notice period is waived); (b) the failure to satisfy the "minimum funding standard" (as defined in Section 412 of the Code or Section 302 of ERISA), whether or not waived; (c) the filing pursuant to Section 412(c) of the Code or Section 302(c) of ERISA of an application for a waiver of the minimum funding standard with respect to any Plan; (d) the incurrence by any Borrower or any of its ERISA Affiliates of any liability under Title IV of ERISA with respect to the termination of any Plan; (e) the receipt by any Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate from the PBGC or a plan administrator of any notice relating to an intention to terminate any Plan or Plans or to appoint a trustee to administer any Plan; (f) the incurrence by any Borrower or any of its ERISA Affiliates of any liability with respect to the withdrawal or partial withdrawal of any Borrower or any of its ERISA Affiliates from any Plan or Multiemployer Plan; or (g) the receipt by any Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate of any notice, concerning the imposition upon any Borrower or any of its ERISA Affiliates of Withdrawal Liability or a determination that a Multiemployer Plan is, or is expected to be, insolvent or in reorganization, within the meaning of Title IV of ERISA.

"EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule" means the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule published by the Loan Market Association (or any successor Person), as in effect from time to time.

"Eurodollar", when used in reference to any Loan or Borrowing, refers to whether such Loan, or the Loans comprising such Borrowing, are bearing interest at a rate determined by reference to the Adjusted LIBO Rate.

"Event of Default" has the meaning assigned to such term in Article VII.

"Excluded Assets" means (a) (i) any lease, license, contract, document, instrument or agreement to which any Loan Party is a party or (ii) property subject to a purchase money security interest, Capital Lease Obligation or similar arrangements permitted under this Agreement or the other Loan Documents, in the case of each of clauses (i) and (ii), to the extent that the creation of a Lien on such assets would, under the express terms thereof, violate or invalidate the terms of, or constitute a default under, such lease, license, contract, document, instrument, agreement, purchase money security interest, Capital Lease Obligation or similar arrangement or create a right of termination in favor of any other party thereto (other than a Loan Party) (other than to the extent (i) that any such term has been waived or (ii) any such term would be rendered ineffective pursuant to Sections 9-406, 9-408, 9-409 or other applicable provisions of the UCC of any relevant jurisdiction or any other applicable law (including bankruptcy laws) or principles of equity);

provided that, immediately upon the ineffectiveness, lapse or termination of any such express term, such assets shall automatically cease to constitute "Excluded Assets", (b) any Trademark (as defined in the Security Agreement) application filed on an intent to use basis until such time as a statement of use has been filed and accepted by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, (c) any Equity Interests in any Subsidiary that is not a Pledge Subsidiary, (d) (i) any Equity Interests in any Affected Foreign Subsidiary or FSHCO representing more than 65% of the total voting Equity Interests in such Affected Foreign Subsidiary or FSHCO, (ii) Equity Interests which constitute margin stock (within the meaning of Regulation U of the Federal Reserve Board) and (iii) Equity Interests in any Person other than wholly-owned Subsidiaries, (e) any fee-owned real property and all leasehold interests in real property, (f) any leasehold interest of Dairyland HP in the Dairyland HP Facility, (g) Fixtures (as defined in the Security Agreement) located at the Dairyland HP Facility, (h) rights and obligations in connection with the Master Operating Sublease, dated as of April 26, 2012, between Dairyland and Dairyland HP, relating to the Dairyland HP Facility, as the same may be amended from time to time, (i) any property of the Excluded Subsidiary and (j) motor vehicles, rolling stock or other assets subject to certificates of title (unless otherwise capable of perfection by filing of UCC financing statements); provided that, (x) "Excluded Assets" shall not include any proceeds, products, substitutions or replacements of Excluded Assets (unless such proceeds, products, substitutions or replacements would otherwise constitute Excluded Assets) and (y) other than with respect to assets described in the foregoing clause (f), the foregoing exclusions shall not apply to any asset or property of Holdings and its Subsidiaries on which a Lien has been granted in favor of the Term Loan Agent to secure the Term Loan Obligations. The Loan Parties shall use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain a Collateral Access Agreement from the lessor of each leased property, mortgagee of owned property or bailee or consignee with respect to any warehouse, processor or converter facility or other location where Collateral is stored or located, but the failure to obtain any such Collateral Access Agreement shall not constitute a Default.

"Excluded Subsidiary" means Dairyland HP, so long as such entity is a single purpose real estate holding entity and an obligor under the New Markets Tax Credit Financing.

"Excluded Swap Obligation" means, with respect to any Loan Party, any Swap Obligation if, and to the extent that, all or a portion of the Guarantee of such Loan Party of, or the grant by such Loan Party of a security interest to secure, such Swap Obligation (or any Guarantee thereof) is or becomes illegal under the Commodity Exchange Act or any rule, regulation or order of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (or the application or official interpretation of any thereof) by virtue of such Loan Party's failure for any reason to constitute an ECP at the time the Guarantee of such Loan Party or the grant of such security interest becomes or would become effective with respect to such Swap Obligation. If a Swap Obligation arises under a master agreement governing more than one swap, such exclusion shall apply only to the portion of such Swap Obligation that is attributable to swaps for which such Guarantee or security interest is or becomes illegal.

"Excluded Taxes" means any of the following Taxes imposed on or with respect to a Recipient or required to be withheld or deducted from a payment to a Recipient: (a) Taxes imposed on or measured by net income (however denominated), franchise Taxes, and branch profits Taxes, in each case, (i) imposed by the United States of America or as a result of such Recipient being organized under the laws of, or having its principal office or, in the case of any Lender, its applicable lending office located in, the jurisdiction imposing such Tax (or any political subdivision thereof) or (ii) that are Other Connection Taxes;

(b) in the case of a Lender, U.S. Federal withholding Taxes imposed on amounts payable to or for the account of such Lender with respect to an applicable interest in a Loan, Letter of Credit or Commitment pursuant to a law in effect on the date on which (i) such Lender acquires such interest in the Loan, Letter of Credit or Commitment (other than pursuant to an assignment request by the Borrowers under Section 2.19(b)) or (ii) such Lender changes its lending office, except in each case to the extent that, pursuant to Section 2.17, amounts with respect to such Taxes were payable either to such Lender's assignor immediately before such Lender acquired the applicable interest in a Loan, Letter of Credit or Commitment or to such Lender immediately before it changed its lending office; (c) Taxes attributable to such Recipient's failure to comply with Section 2.17(f); and (d) any U.S. Federal withholding Taxes imposed under FATCA.

"Existing Credit Agreement" has the meaning ascribed to it in the preamble.

"Existing Letters of Credit" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.06(a).

"Existing Loans" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.01.

"Farm Products" means farm products of every kind and nature, including crops and products of crops, wherever located, including (a) "farm products" (as such term is defined in any Farm Products Law and/or the UCC in any jurisdiction) and (b) "perishable agricultural commodities" (as such term is defined in any Farm Products Law).

"Farm Products Law" means (a) the Food Security Act, (b) PACA, (c) the PSA, (d) PFPA, (e) Article 20 of the Agriculture and Markets Law of the State of New York or (f) any other federal, state, or local laws from time to time in effect that are applicable to the Loan Parties' business and which regulate any matters pertaining to Farm Products, in each case, as the same now exists or may hereafter from time to time be amended, modified, recodified, or supplemented, together with all rules and regulations thereunder.

"Farm Products Notice" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 3.20.

"Farm Products Seller" means, individually and collectively, sellers, producers or suppliers of any Farm Products.

"FATCA" means (a) Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Code, as of the Effective Date (or any amended or successor version that is substantively comparable and not materially more onerous to comply with), (b) any current or future regulations or official interpretations thereof and any agreement entered into pursuant to Section 1471(b)(1) of the Code, and (c) any intergovernmental agreement between the U.S. and a non-U.S. jurisdiction which facilitates the implementation of any law or regulation referred to in clause (a) above and any fiscal or regulatory legislation, rules or official administrative practices adopted pursuant to any such intergovernmental agreement.

"FCCR Test Period" means any period (a) commencing on the last day of the most recent period of four (4) consecutive Fiscal Quarters then ended for which financial statements have been delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(a) or (b) (or, if prior to the date of the delivery of the first financial statements to be delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(a) or (b), the most recent financial statements referred to in Section 3.04(a)) on or prior to the date Availability is less than the greater of 10% of the Aggregate Commitment and \$10,000,000 at any time and (b) ending on the day after Availability has exceeded the greater of 10% of the Aggregate Commitment and \$10,000,000 for sixty (60) consecutive days.

"FDA" means the United States Food and Drug Administration, or any successor Governmental Authority.

"FDC Act" means the United States Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 201 *et seq.*) as amended to date together with any rules or regulations promulgated thereunder.

"<u>Federal Funds Effective Rate</u>" means, for any day, the rate calculated by the NYFRB based on such day's federal funds transactions by depositary institutions (as determined in such manner as the NYFRB shall set forth on its public website from time to time) and published on the next succeeding Business Day by the NYFRB as the federal funds effective rate.

"Financial Officer" means, with respect to any Person(s), the chief financial officer, principal accounting officer, treasurer or controller of such Person(s).

"<u>Financials</u>" means the annual, quarterly or monthly financial statements, and accompanying certificates and other documents, of Holdings and its Subsidiaries required to be delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(a), 5.01(b) or 5.01(c).

"<u>First Tier Foreign Subsidiary</u>" means each Foreign Subsidiary with respect to which any one or more of the Loan Parties directly owns or Controls more than 50% of such Foreign Subsidiary's issued and outstanding Equity Interests.

"Fiscal Month" means any fiscal month in a Fiscal Year.

"Fiscal Quarter" means each of four consecutive three-Fiscal Month periods in each Fiscal Year.

"<u>Fiscal Year</u>" means the 52- or 53-week period ending in the month of December that Holdings uses for accounting and financial reporting purposes, which period does not necessarily conform to the calendar year. All references in the Loan Documents to the Fiscal Year shall be deemed to refer to the year end that Holdings actually uses for financial reporting purposes.

"<u>Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio</u>" means, for any period, the ratio of (a) EBITDA <u>minus</u> Unfinanced Capital Expenditures to (b) Fixed Charges, all calculated for Holdings and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

"Fixed Charges" means, for any period, without duplication, cash Interest Expense, <u>plus</u> scheduled principal payments on Indebtedness actually made, <u>plus</u> expense for taxes paid in cash, <u>plus</u> Restricted Payments paid in cash, <u>plus</u> Capital Lease Obligation payments, <u>plus</u> cash payments (excluding cash payments financed solely with the proceeds of issuances of equity by Holdings) made in connection with any earn-out obligation relating to any acquisition, divestiture, merger or similar transaction that are not accounted for or reflected in the consolidated statements of operations of Holdings and its Subsidiaries provided pursuant to Section 5.01(a), 5.01(b) or 5.01(c) hereof, <u>plus</u> any payments made in respect of the sinking fund requirement under the New Markets Tax Credit Financing, all calculated for Holdings and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

"Flood Laws" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 8.10.

"<u>Foreign Lender</u>" means (a) if a Borrower is a U.S. Person, a Lender, with respect to such Borrower, that is not a U.S. Person, and (b) if a Borrower is not a U.S. Person, a Lender, with respect to such Borrower, that is resident or organized under the laws of a jurisdiction other than that in which such Borrower is resident for tax purposes.

"<u>Food Security Act</u>" means the Food Security Act of 1985, as the same now exists or may from time to time hereafter be amended, restated, modified, recodified or supplemented, together with all rules, regulations and interpretations thereunder or related thereto.

"Foreign Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary which is not a Domestic Subsidiary.

"FSHCO" means any Subsidiary that owns no material assets other than the Equity Interests of one or more "controlled foreign corporations" as defined in Section 957 of the Code.

"Funding Account" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 4.01(g).

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America.

"Governmental Authority" means the government of the United States of America, any other nation or, in each case, any political subdivision thereof, whether state or local, and any agency, authority, instrumentality, regulatory body, court, central bank or other entity exercising executive, legislative, judicial, taxing, regulatory or administrative powers or functions of or pertaining to government, including any central bank, stock exchange, regulatory body, arbitrator, public sector entity, supra-national entity (including the European Union and the European Central Bank) and any self-regulatory organization (including the National Association of Insurance Commissioners).

"Governmental Permits" means all authorizations, approvals, licenses, registrations, certificates or exemptions issued by any Governmental Authority to Borrowers that are required or necessary for the development, manufacture, distribution, marketing, storage, transportation, use, or sale of the Loan Parties' products.

"Guarantee" of or by any Person (the "guarantor") means any obligation, contingent or otherwise, of the guarantor guaranteeing or having the economic effect of guaranteeing any Indebtedness or other obligation of any other Person (the "primary obligor") in any manner, whether directly or indirectly, and including any obligation of the guarantor, direct or indirect, (a) to purchase or pay (or advance or supply funds for the purchase or payment of) such Indebtedness or other obligation or to purchase (or to advance or supply funds for the purchase of) any security for the payment thereof, (b) to purchase or lease property, securities or services for the purpose of assuring the owner of such Indebtedness or other obligation of the payment thereof, (c) to maintain working capital, equity capital or any other financial statement condition or liquidity of the primary obligor so as to enable the primary obligor to pay such Indebtedness or other obligation or (d) as an account party in respect of any letter of credit or letter of guaranty issued to support such Indebtedness or obligation; provided that the term Guarantee shall not include endorsements for collection or deposit in the ordinary course of business.

"Guaranteed Obligations" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.01.

"<u>Hazardous Materials</u>" means all explosive or radioactive substances or wastes and all hazardous or toxic substances, wastes or other pollutants, including petroleum or petroleum distillates, asbestos or asbestos containing materials, polychlorinated biphenyls, radon gas, infectious or medical wastes and all other substances or wastes of any nature regulated pursuant to any Environmental Law.

"Holdings" means The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"Impacted Interest Period" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "LIBO Rate".

"Indebtedness" of any Person means, without duplication, (a) all obligations of such Person for borrowed money, (b) all obligations of such Person evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or similar instruments, (c) all obligations of such Person upon which interest charges are customarily paid, (d) all obligations of such Person under conditional sale or other title retention agreements relating to property acquired by such Person, (e) all obligations of such Person in respect of the deferred purchase price of property or services (excluding current accounts payable incurred in the ordinary course of business), (f) all Indebtedness of others secured by (or for which the holder of such Indebtedness has an existing right, contingent or otherwise, to be secured by) any Lien on property owned or acquired by such Person, whether or not the Indebtedness secured thereby has been assumed, (g) all Guarantees by such Person of Indebtedness of others, (h) all Capital Lease Obligations of such Person, (i) all obligations, contingent or otherwise, of such Person as an account party in respect of letters of credit and letters of guaranty, (j) all obligations, contingent or otherwise, of such Person in respect of bankers' acceptances, (k) all obligations of such Person under any liquidated earn-out and (l) any other Off-Balance Sheet Liability of such Person. The Indebtedness of any Person shall include the Indebtedness of any other Person (including any partnership in which such Person is a general partner) to the extent such Person is liable therefor as a result of such Person's ownership interest in or other relationship with such entity, except to the extent the terms of such Indebtedness provide that such Person is not liable therefor; provided that Indebtedness shall not include earn out obligations relating to Permitted Acquisitions to the extent the conditions for payment thereof (other than the occurrence of a date certain) have not yet been satisfied. Notwithstanding the foregoing and for avoidance of doubt, obligatio

"Indemnified Taxes" means (a) Taxes, other than Excluded Taxes, imposed on or with respect to any payment made by or on account of any obligation of any Loan Party under any Loan Document and (b) to the extent not otherwise described in the foregoing clause (a) hereof, Other Taxes.

"Indemnitee" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.03(b).

"Ineligible Institution" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.04(b).

"Information" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.12.

"Information Memorandum" means the Confidential Information Memorandum dated June 2016 relating to the Borrowers and the Transactions.

"Intercreditor Agreement" means the Intercreditor Agreement, dated as of the date hereof, by and among the Administrative Agent, as ABL Agent, the Term Loan Agent, and each of the Loan Parties party thereto, as amended, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

"Interest Election Request" means a request by the Borrower Representative to convert or continue a Borrowing in accordance with Section 2.07.

"Interest Expense" means, for any period, total interest expense (including that attributable to Capital Lease Obligations) of Holdings and its Subsidiaries for such period with respect to all outstanding Indebtedness of Holdings and its Subsidiaries (including all commissions, discounts and other fees and charges owed with respect to letters of credit and bankers' acceptances and net costs under Swap Agreements in respect of interest rates to the extent such net costs are allocable to such period in accordance with GAAP), calculated on a consolidated basis for Holdings and its Subsidiaries for such period in accordance with GAAP.

"Interest Payment Date" means (a) with respect to any ABR Loan (other than a Swingline Loan), the first Business Day of each calendar quarter and the Maturity Date and (b) with respect to any Eurodollar Loan, the last day of the Interest Period applicable to the Borrowing of which such Loan is a part (and, in the case of a Eurodollar Borrowing with an Interest Period of more than three months' duration, each day prior to the last day of such Interest Period that occurs at intervals of three months' duration after the first day of such Interest Period) and the Maturity Date.

"Interest Period" means, with respect to any Eurodollar Borrowing, the period commencing on the date of such Eurodollar Borrowing (including by continuation or conversion) and ending on the numerically corresponding day in the calendar month that is one, three or six months thereafter, or, to the extent consented to by each applicable Lender, twelve (12) months thereafter, in each case, as the Borrower Representative may elect; provided that (i) if any Interest Period would end on a day other than a Business Day, such Interest Period shall be extended to the next succeeding Business Day unless such next succeeding Business Day would fall in the next calendar month, in which case such Interest Period shall end on the next preceding Business Day and (ii) any Interest Period pertaining to a Eurodollar Borrowing that commences on the last Business Day of a calendar month (or on a day for which there is no numerically corresponding day in the last calendar month of such Interest Period) shall end on the last Business Day of the last calendar month of such Interest Period. For purposes hereof, the date of a Borrowing initially shall be the date on which such Borrowing is made and thereafter shall be the effective date of the most recent conversion or continuation of such Borrowing.

"Interpolated Rate" means, at any time, for any Interest Period, the rate per annum (rounded to the same number of decimal places as the LIBO Screen Rate) determined by the Administrative Agent (which determination shall be conclusive and binding absent manifest error) to be equal to the rate that results from interpolating on a linear basis between: (a) the LIBO Screen Rate for the longest period (for which the LIBO Screen Rate is available) that is shorter than the Impacted Interest Period and (b) the LIBO Screen Rate for the shortest period (for which the LIBO Screen Rate is available) that exceeds the Impacted Interest Period, in each case, at such time.

"Inventory" has the meaning assigned to such term in the Security Agreement.

"IRS" means the United States Internal Revenue Service.

"Issuing Bank" means, individually and collectively, each of JPMCB, in its capacity as the issuer of Letters of Credit hereunder, and any other Lender from time to time designated by the Borrower Representative as an Issuing Bank, with the consent of such Lender and the Administrative Agent, and their respective successors in such capacity as provided in Section 2.06(i). Any Issuing Bank may, in its discretion, arrange for one or more Letters of Credit to be issued by its Affiliates, in which case the term "Issuing Bank" shall include any such Affiliate with respect to Letters of Credit issued by such Affiliate (it being agreed that such Issuing Bank shall, or shall cause such Affiliate to, comply with the requirements of Section 2.06 with respect to such Letters of Credit). At any time there is more than one Issuing Bank, all singular references to the Issuing Bank shall mean any Issuing Bank, either Issuing Bank, each Issuing Bank, the Issuing Bank that has issued the applicable Letter of Credit, or both (or all) Issuing Banks, as the context may require.

"Issuing Bank Sublimits" means, as of the Effective Date, (i) \$15,000,000, in the case of JPMCB and (ii) such amount as shall be designated to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower Representative in writing by an Issuing Bank; provided that any Issuing Bank shall be permitted, with the consent of the Borrower Representative, at any time to increase or reduce its Issuing Bank Sublimit upon providing five (5) days' prior written notice thereof to the Administrative Agent.

- "JPMCB" means JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., a national banking association, in its individual capacity, and its successors.
- "Joinder Agreement" means a Joinder Agreement in substantially the form of Exhibit F.
- "LC Collateral Account" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.06(j).
- "LC Disbursement" means a payment made by the Issuing Bank pursuant to a Letter of Credit.
- "LC Exposure" means, at any time, the sum of the Commercial LC Exposure and the Standby LC Exposure at such time. The LC Exposure of any Lender at any time shall be its Applicable Percentage of the aggregate LC Exposure at such time.
 - "Lead Arranger" means JPMCB in its capacity as sole bookrunner and sole lead arranger for the credit facility evidenced by this Agreement.
 - "Lender Parent" means, with respect to any lender, any Person as to which such Lender is, directly or indirectly, a subsidiary.
- "<u>Lenders</u>" means the Persons listed on <u>Commitment Schedule</u> and any other Person that shall have become a Lender hereunder pursuant to Section 2.09 or pursuant to an Assignment and Assumption or other documentation contemplated hereby, other than any such Person that ceases to be a party hereto pursuant to an Assignment and Assumption or other documentation contemplated hereby. Unless the context otherwise requires, the term "Lenders" includes the Swingline Lender and the Issuing Bank.
 - "Letter of Credit" means any letter of credit issued pursuant to this Agreement.
- "LIBO Rate" means, with respect to any Eurodollar Borrowing for any applicable Interest Period or for any ABR Borrowing, the London interbank offered rate as administered by ICE Benchmark Administration (or any other Person that takes over the administration of such rate for Dollars) for a period equal in length to such Interest Period as displayed on pages LIBOR01 or LIBOR02 of the Reuters screen that displays such rate (or, in the event such rate does not appear on a Reuters page or screen, on any successor or substitute page on such screen that displays such rate, or on the appropriate page of such other information service that publishes such rate from time to time as shall be selected by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion, in each case (the "LIBO Screen Rate") at approximately 11:00 a.m., London time, two (2) Business Days prior to the commencement of such Interest Period; provided that, (x) if the LIBO Screen Rate shall be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed to be zero for the purposes of this Agreement and (y) if the LIBO Screen Rate shall not be available at such time for a period equal in length to such Interest Period (an "Impacted Interest Period"), then the LIBO Rate shall be the Interpolated Rate at such time, subject to Section 2.14 in the event that the Administrative Agent shall conclude that it shall not be possible to determine such Interpolated Rate (which conclusion shall be conclusive and binding absent manifest error); provided further, that, if any Interpolated Rate shall be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the above, to the extent that "LIBO Rate" or "Adjusted LIBO Rate" is used in connection with an ABR Borrowing, such rate shall be determined as modified by the definition of Alternate Base Rate.
 - "LIBO Screen Rate" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "LIBO Rate".
- "<u>Lien</u>" means, with respect to any asset, (a) any mortgage, deed of trust or similar instrument, lien, pledge, hypothecation, encumbrance, charge or security interest in, on or of such asset, (b) the interest of a vendor or a lessor under any conditional sale agreement, capital lease or title retention agreement (or any financing lease having substantially the same economic effect as any of the foregoing) relating to such asset and (c) in the case of securities, any purchase option, call or similar right of a third party with respect to such securities.

"Loan Documents" means this Agreement, any promissory notes issued pursuant to this Agreement, the Collateral Documents, the Loan Guaranty, the Intercreditor Agreement and any agreements (including any Letter of Credit applications) between the Borrower Representative and any Issuing Bank regarding such Issuing Bank's Issuing Bank Sublimit or the respective rights and obligations between any Borrower and any Issuing Bank in connection with the issuance of Letters of Credit. Any reference in this Agreement or any other Loan Document to a Loan Document shall include all appendices, exhibits or schedules thereto, and all amendments, restatements, supplements or other modifications thereto, and shall refer to this Agreement or such Loan Document as the same may be in effect at any and all times such reference becomes operative.

"Loan Guarantor" means each Loan Party.

"<u>Loan Guaranty</u>" means <u>Article X</u> of this Agreement and each separate Guarantee, in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, as it may be amended or modified and in effect from time to time.

"Loan Parties" means Holdings, the Borrowers and the Borrowers' Domestic Subsidiaries (other than the Excluded Subsidiary) who become a party to this Agreement pursuant to a Joinder Agreement or otherwise and their successors and assigns.

"Loans" means the loans and advances made by the Lenders pursuant to this Agreement, including Swingline Loans, Overadvances and Protective Advances

"Material Adverse Effect" means a material adverse effect on (a) the business, assets, operations, properties or condition (financial or otherwise) of the Loan Parties taken as a whole, (b) the ability of any Loan Party to perform any of its obligations under the Loan Documents to which it is a party, (c) the Collateral, or the Administrative Agent's Liens (on behalf of itself and the other Secured Parties) on the Collateral or the priority of such Liens, in each case, as to Collateral having an aggregate value in excess of \$5,000,000, or (d) the rights of or benefits available to the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or the Lenders under any of the Loan Documents (other than with respect to Collateral having an aggregate value of \$5,000,000 or less).

"Material Indebtedness" means Indebtedness (other than the Loans and Letters of Credit), or obligations in respect of one or more Swap Agreements, in each case of any one or more of Holdings and its Subsidiaries in an aggregate principal amount exceeding \$10,000,000. For purposes of determining Material Indebtedness, the "obligations" of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary in respect of any Swap Agreement at any time shall be the maximum aggregate amount (giving effect to any netting agreements) that such Loan Party or such Subsidiary would be required to pay if such Swap Agreement were terminated at such time.

"Maturity Date" means June 22, 2021.

"Maximum Rate" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.17.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

"Multiemployer Plan" means a multiemployer plan as defined in Section 4001(a)(3) of ERISA.

"Net Income" means, for any period, the consolidated net income (or loss) of Holdings and its Subsidiaries, determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP; provided that there shall be excluded (a) (except as set forth in Section 1.05) the income (or deficit) of any Person accrued prior to the date it becomes a Subsidiary or is merged into or consolidated with Holdings or any of its Subsidiaries, (b) the income (or deficit) of any Person (other than a Subsidiary) in which Holdings or any of its Subsidiaries has an ownership interest, except to the extent that any such income is actually received by Holdings or such Subsidiary in the form of dividends or similar distributions and (c) the undistributed earnings of any Subsidiary to the extent that the declaration or payment of dividends or similar distributions by such Subsidiary is not at the time permitted by the terms of any contractual obligation (other than under any Loan Document) or Requirement of Law applicable to such Subsidiary.

"Net Orderly Liquidation Value" means, with respect to Inventory of any Person, the orderly liquidation value thereof as determined in a manner acceptable to the Administrative Agent in its Permitted Discretion based on the most recent appraisal of such Inventory, completed in accordance with the terms hereof by an appraiser reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, net of all costs of liquidation thereof.

"New Markets Tax Credit Financing" means a secured credit facility provided by Commercial Lending II LLC, as lender, to Dairyland HP, as borrower, entered into as of April 26, 2012, in an aggregate principal amount of \$11,000,000, pursuant to the New Markets Tax Credit Program established as part of the Community Renewal Tax Relief Act of 2000.

"NMTC Reserve" means, to the extent any Indebtedness is outstanding under the New Markets Tax Credit Financing, a reserve established by the Administrative Agent on January 26, 2017 in an amount equal to the aggregate principal amount of Indebtedness outstanding under the New Markets Tax Credit Financing; provided that, (a) the NMTC Reserve shall be reduced to zero on the date that the aggregate amount of Indebtedness in respect of the New Markets Tax Credit Financing is paid in full in accordance with the terms hereof and (b) at any time that the NMTC Reserve is applicable, the amount of the NMTC Reserve shall automatically be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis (but without duplication) by (i) the amount of funds held on any date of determination in the NMTC Sinking Funds Account and (ii) the amount of any reductions in the principal amount of Indebtedness outstanding under the New Markets Tax Credit Financing.

"NMTC Sinking Funds Account" means account number 3030466337, maintained in the name of The Chefs' Warehouse Mid-Atlantic, LLC at JPMCB, for purposes of making payments in respect of the sinking fund requirement under the New Markets Tax Credit Financing.

"Non-Consenting Lender" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.02(e).

"Non-U.S. Lender" means a Lender that is not a U.S. Person.

"Non-Paying Guarantor" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.11.

"NYFRB" means the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

"NYFRB Rate" means, for any day, the greater of (a) the Federal Funds Effective Rate in effect on such day and (b) the Overnight Bank Funding Rate in effect on such day (or for any day that is not a Business Day, for the immediately preceding Business Day); provided that if none of such rates are published for any day that is a Business Day, the term "NYFRB Rate" means the rate for a federal funds transaction quoted at 11:00 a.m., New York City time, on such day received by the Administrative Agent from a Federal funds broker of recognized standing selected by it; provided, further, that if any of the aforesaid rates shall be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this Agreement.

"Obligated Party" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.02.

"Obligations" means all unpaid principal of and accrued and unpaid interest on the Loans, all LC Exposure, all accrued and unpaid fees and all expenses, reimbursements, indemnities and other obligations and indebtedness (including interest and fees accruing during the pendency of any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or other similar proceeding, regardless of whether allowed or allowable in such proceeding), obligations and liabilities of any of the Loan Parties to any of the Lenders, the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any indemnified party, individually or collectively, existing on the Effective Date or arising thereafter, direct or indirect, joint or several, absolute or contingent, matured or unmatured, liquidated or unliquidated, secured or unsecured, arising by contract, operation of law or otherwise, arising or incurred under this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents or in respect of any of the Loans made or reimbursement or other obligations incurred or any of the Letters of Credit or other instruments at any time evidencing any thereof.

"OFAC" means the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the United States Department of the Treasury.

"Off-Balance Sheet Liability" of a Person means (a) any repurchase obligation or liability of such Person with respect to accounts or notes receivable sold by such Person, (b) any indebtedness, liability or obligation under any so-called "synthetic lease" transaction entered into by such Person, or (c) any indebtedness, liability or obligation arising with respect to any other transaction which is the functional equivalent of or takes the place of borrowing but which does not constitute a liability on the balance sheets of such Person (other than operating leases).

"Other Connection Taxes" means, with respect to any Recipient, Taxes imposed as a result of a present or former connection between such Recipient and the jurisdiction imposing such Taxes (other than a connection arising from such Recipient having executed, delivered, become a party to, performed its obligations under, received payments under, received or perfected a security interest under, engaged in any other transaction pursuant to, or enforced, any Loan Document, or sold or assigned an interest in any Loan, Letter of Credit or any Loan Document).

"Other Taxes" means all present or future stamp, court or documentary, intangible, recording, filing or similar Taxes that arise from any payment made under, from the execution, delivery, performance, enforcement or registration of, from the receipt or perfection of a security interest under, or otherwise with respect to, any Loan Document, except any such Taxes that are Other Connection Taxes imposed with respect to an assignment (other than an assignment made pursuant to Section 2.19).

"Overadvance" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.05(b).

"Overnight Bank Funding Rate" means, for any day, the rate comprised of both overnight federal funds and overnight eurodollar borrowings by U.S.-managed banking offices of depository institutions (as such composite rate shall be determined by the NYFRB as set forth on its public website from time to time) and published on the next succeeding Business Day by the NYFRB as an overnight bank funding rate (from and after such date as the NYFRB shall commence to publish such composite rate).

"PACA" means the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, 1930, as amended, 7 U.S.C. Section 499a <u>etseq.</u>, as the same now exists or may from time to time hereafter be amended, restated, modified, recodified or supplemented, together with all rules, regulations and interpretations thereunder or related thereto.

"Parent" means, with respect to any Lender, the Person as to which such Lender is, directly or indirectly, a subsidiary.

"Participant" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.04(c).

"Participant Register" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.04(c).

"Paying Guarantor" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.11.

"Payment Condition" means, with respect to any proposed designated action on any date, a condition that is satisfied if (a) after giving effect to such proposed designated action as if it occurred on the first day of the applicable Pro Forma Period, the pro forma Availability shall be greater than 20% of the Aggregate Commitment at all times during such Pro Forma Period or (b) both (i) after giving effect to such proposed designated action as if it occurred on the first day of such Pro Forma Period, the pro forma Availability shall be greater than the greater of 15% of the Aggregate Commitment and \$15,000,000 at all times during such Pro Forma Period and (ii) the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio, computed on a pro forma basis for the period of four consecutive fiscal quarters ending on the most recent fiscal quarter of Holdings for which financial statements have been delivered pursuant to Section 5.01, shall be greater than 1.10 to 1.00.

"PBGC" means the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation referred to and defined in ERISA and any successor entity performing similar functions.

"<u>Permitted Acquisition</u>" means, any acquisition (whether by purchase, merger, consolidation or otherwise) or series of related acquisitions by any Loan Party (other than Holdings) of (i) all or substantially all the assets of or (ii) all or substantially all the Equity Interests in, a Person or division or line of business of a Person, if at the time of and immediately after giving effect thereto:

- (1) no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would arise after giving effect thereto;
- (2) such Person or division or line of business is engaged in the same or a similar line of business as the Borrowers and the Subsidiaries or business reasonably related, complementary or ancillary thereto or a logical extension thereof (including, without limitation, food and beverage service, distribution, wholesale and retail);
- (3) all actions required to be taken with respect to such acquired or newly formed Subsidiary under Section 5.13 shall have been taken within the time periods set out therein;
- (4) either of the following conditions shall be satisfied (A) after giving effect thereto as if such acquisition occurred on the first day of the applicable Pro Forma Period, the pro forma Availability shall be greater than the greater of 17.5% of the Aggregate Commitment and \$17,500,000 at all times during such Pro Forma Period or (B) both (i) after giving effect thereto as if such acquisition occurred on the first day of such Pro Forma Period, the pro forma Availability shall be greater than the greater of 12.5% of the Aggregate Commitment and \$12,500,000 at all times during such Pro Forma Period and (ii) the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio, computed on a pro forma basis for the period of four consecutive fiscal quarters ending on the most recent fiscal quarter of Holdings for which financial statements have been delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(a) or 5.01(b) (or, prior to the delivery of any such financial statements, ending on the last Fiscal Quarter included in the financial statements referred to in Section 3.04(a)), shall be greater than 1.00 to 1.00;

- (5) if the Acquisition Consideration (as defined below) paid in respect of such acquisition exceeds \$25,000,000, the Borrower Representative shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent a certificate of a Financial Officer of Holdings, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, certifying the requirements set forth in this definition have been satisfied, together with all related historical financial statements (including consolidated balance sheets, income statements and cash flow statements) and projections reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent;
- (6) in the case of an acquisition or merger in the form of a merger and/or consolidation involving a Loan Party (other than Holdings), a Loan Party is the surviving entity of such merger and/or consolidation;
- (7) the total consideration paid or payable (including all transaction costs, Indebtedness incurred, assumed and/or reflected on a consolidated balance sheet of the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries after giving effect to such acquisition and the maximum amount of all deferred payments, including earnouts) (such amounts, collectively, the "Acquisition Consideration") for all acquisitions consummated during the term of this Agreement where either (x) the target becomes a Subsidiary but not a Loan Party hereunder or (y) the acquired assets do not become Collateral shall not exceed \$10,000,000 in the aggregate for all such acquisitions (in each case, after giving effect to any time periods contained in Section 5.14); and
- (8) the Borrower Representative shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent final executed material documentation relating to such acquisition promptly after any reasonable request therefor by the Administrative Agent.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, no Accounts or Inventory acquired by a Loan Party in a Permitted Acquisition shall be included as Eligible Accounts or Eligible Inventory until a field examination (and, if required by the Administrative Agent, an Inventory appraisal) with respect thereto has been completed to the reasonable satisfaction of the Administrative Agent, including the establishment of Reserves required in the Administrative Agent's Permitted Discretion; provided that, field examinations and appraisals in connection with Permitted Acquisitions shall not count against the limited number of field examinations or appraisals which may be conducted hereunder or for which expense reimbursement may be sought hereunder.

"Permitted Call Spread Swap Agreements" means (a) any Swap Agreement (including, but not limited to, any bond hedge transaction or capped call transaction) pursuant to which Holdings acquires an option requiring the counterparty thereto to deliver to Holdings shares of common stock of Holdings, the cash value of such shares or a combination thereof from time to time upon exercise of such option and (b) any Swap Agreement pursuant to which Holdings issues to the counterparty thereto warrants to acquire common stock of Holdings (whether such warrant is settled in shares, cash or a combination thereof), in each case entered into by Holdings in connection with the issuance of Permitted Convertible Notes (other than Permitted Convertible Seller Notes); provided that (i) the terms, conditions and covenants of each such Swap Agreement shall be such as are customary for Swap Agreements of such type (as determined by the Board of Directors of Holdings in good faith) and (ii) in the case of clause (b) above, such Swap Agreement would be classified as an equity instrument in accordance with GAAP, and the settlement of such Swap Agreement does not require Holdings to make any payment in cash or cash equivalents that would disqualify such Swap Agreement from so being classified as an equity instrument.

"Permitted Convertible Notes" means, collectively, (a) Permitted Convertible Seller Notes and (b) any other unsecured notes issued by Holdings that are convertible into common stock of Holdings, cash or any combination thereof; provided that, for purposes of clause (b) of this definition, the Indebtedness thereunder satisfies the following requirements: (i) both immediately prior to and after giving effect (including pro forma effect) thereto, no Default or Event of Default shall exist or result therefrom, (ii) such Indebtedness matures after, and does not require any scheduled amortization or other scheduled payments of principal prior to, the date that is six (6) months after the Maturity Date (it being understood that neither (x) any provision requiring an offer to purchase such Indebtedness as a result of change of control or asset sale or other fundamental change nor (y) any early conversion of any Permitted Convertible Notes in accordance with the terms thereof shall violate the foregoing restriction), (iii) such Indebtedness is not guaranteed by any Subsidiary of Holdings other than the Loan Guarantors (which guarantees, if such Indebtedness is subordinated, shall be expressly subordinated to the Secured Obligations on terms not less favorable to the Lenders than the subordination terms of such Subordinated Indebtedness) and (iv) the covenants applicable to such Indebtedness are not more onerous or more restrictive in any material respect (taken as a whole) than the applicable covenants set forth in this Agreement.

"<u>Permitted Convertible Seller Notes</u>" means, collectively, those certain Convertible Subordinated Non-Negotiable Promissory Notes, dated as of April 6, 2015, issued by Del Monte Capitol Meat Company, LLC (a subsidiary of Holdings) to each of (i) TJ Seafood, LLC evidencing Subordinated Indebtedness in the aggregate principal amount of \$7,350,000 and (ii) T.J. Foodservice Co., Inc. evidencing Subordinated Indebtedness in an aggregate principal amount of \$29,400,000 and in each case, that are convertible solely into common stock of Holdings.

"Permitted Discretion" means a determination made in good faith and in the exercise of reasonable (from the perspective of a secured asset-based lender) business judgment.

"Permitted Encumbrances" means:

- (a) Liens imposed by law for Taxes that are not yet delinquent or are being contested in compliance with Section 5.04;
- (b) carriers', warehousemen's, mechanics', materialmen's, repairmen's and other like Liens imposed by law, arising in the ordinary course of business and securing obligations that are not overdue by more than thirty (30) days or are being contested in compliance with Section 5.04;
- (c) pledges and deposits made in the ordinary course of business in compliance with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and other social security laws or regulations;
- (d) deposits to secure the performance of bids, trade contracts, leases, statutory obligations, surety and appeal bonds, performance bonds and other obligations of a like nature, in each case in the ordinary course of business;
 - (e) judgment liens in respect of judgments that do not constitute an Event of Default under clause (k) of Article VII;
- (f) easements, zoning restrictions, rights-of-way and similar encumbrances on real property imposed by law or arising in the ordinary course of business of the Borrowers that do not secure any monetary obligations and do not materially detract from the value of the affected property or interfere with the ordinary conduct of business of any if Holdings or the Subsidiaries; and

(g) Liens in favor of, or claims or rights of any producer, grower or seller under PACA, the Food Security Act, PSA or PFPA relating to aggregate obligations of \$250,000 or less.

"Permitted Holders" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Change in Control".

"Permitted Holdings Dividends" means dividends paid by a Loan Party to Holdings:

- (i) to the extent actually used substantially concurrently by Holdings to pay the same, in amounts necessary to pay (x) such franchise taxes and other fees required to maintain the legal existence of Holdings and (y) out-of-pocket legal, accounting and filing costs and other expenses in the nature of overhead in the ordinary course of business of Holdings; <u>provided</u>, that the aggregate amount of dividends paid under this <u>clause (i)</u> shall not to exceed \$2,500,000 in any period of twelve consecutive months;
- (ii) in amounts necessary to enable (x) Holdings to repurchase or redeem its Equity Interest or (y) Holdings or the holders of Holdings' Equity Interests to pay withholding taxes due as a result of its ownership of Holdings or any other Loan Party; provided, that (x) the aggregate amount of such dividends shall not exceed \$2,500,000 in any period of twelve consecutive months and (y) such dividend shall be actually used for a purpose set forth above substantially concurrently with the making of such dividend; and
- (iii) to the extent necessary to permit, and actually used substantially concurrently by, Holdings to discharge the consolidated Tax liabilities of the Loan Parties or Taxes attributable to the distributions used to pay such consolidated Tax liabilities.

"Permitted Investments" means:

- (a) direct obligations of, or obligations the principal of and interest on which are unconditionally guaranteed by, the United States of America (or by any agency thereof to the extent such obligations are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America), in each case maturing within one year from the date of acquisition thereof;
- (b) investments in commercial paper maturing within 270 days from the date of acquisition thereof and having, at such date of acquisition, the highest credit rating obtainable from S&P or from Moody's;
- (c) investments in certificates of deposit, banker's acceptances and time deposits maturing within 180 days from the date of acquisition thereof issued or guaranteed by or placed with, and money market deposit accounts issued or offered by, any domestic office of any commercial bank organized under the laws of the United States of America or any State thereof which has a combined capital and surplus and undivided profits of not less than \$500,000,000;
- (d) fully collateralized repurchase agreements with a term of not more than thirty (30) days for securities described in <u>clause (a)</u> above and entered into with a financial institution satisfying the criteria described in <u>clause (c)</u> above; and
- (e) money market funds that (i) comply with the criteria set forth in SEC Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, (ii) are rated AAA by S&P and Aaa by Moody's and (iii) have portfolio assets of at least \$5,000,000,000.

- "Person" means any natural person, corporation, limited liability company, trust, joint venture, association, company, partnership, Governmental Authority or other entity.
- "PFPA" means the Poultry Producers Financial Protection Act of 1987, as the same now exists or may from time to time hereafter be amended, restated, modified, recodified or supplemented, together with all rules, regulations and interpretations thereunder or related thereto.
- "Plan" means any employee pension benefit plan (other than a Multiemployer Plan) subject to the provisions of Title IV of ERISA or Section 412 of the Code or Section 302 of ERISA, and in respect of which any Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate is (or, if such plan were terminated, would under Section 4069 of ERISA be deemed to be) an "employer" as defined in Section 3(5) of ERISA.
 - "Platform" means Debt Domain, Intralinks, Syndtrak or a substantially similar electronic transmission system.
 - "Pledge Subsidiary" means (i) each Domestic Subsidiary (other than the Excluded Subsidiary) and (ii) each First Tier Foreign Subsidiary.
- "Prime Rate" means the rate of interest per annum publicly announced from time to time by JPMCB as its prime rate in effect at its principal offices in New York City; each change in the Prime Rate shall be effective from and including the date such change is publicly announced as being effective.
- "Pro Forma Period" means the period commencing sixty (60) days prior to the date of any proposed designated action and ending on the date of such proposed designated action.
 - "Projections" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.01(e).
 - "Protective Advance" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.04.
- "PSA" means the Packers and Stockyard Act of 1921, 7 U.S.C. 181, as the same now exists or may from time to time hereafter be amended, restated, modified, recodified or supplemented, together with all rules, regulations and interpretations thereunder or related thereto.
- "Qualified ECP Guarantor" means, in respect of any Swap Obligation, each Loan Guarantor that has total assets exceeding \$10,000,000 at the time the relevant Guarantee or grant of the relevant security interest becomes or would become effective with respect to such Swap Obligation or such other Person as constitutes an ECP and can cause another Person to qualify as an ECP at such time by entering into a keepwell under Section 1a(18)(A)(v)(II) of the Commodity Exchange Act.
 - "Recipient" means, as applicable, (a) the Administrative Agent, (b) any Lender and (c) any Issuing Bank.
 - "Register" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.04.
- "Related Parties" means, with respect to any specified Person, such Person's Affiliates and the respective directors, officers, partners, members, trustees, employees, agents, administrators, managers, representatives and advisors of such Person and such Person's Affiliates.
- "Report" means reports prepared by the Administrative Agent or another Person showing the results of appraisals, field examinations or audits pertaining to the assets of the Loan Parties from information furnished by or on behalf of the Borrowers, after the Administrative Agent has exercised its rights of inspection pursuant to this Agreement, which Reports may be distributed to the Lenders by the Administrative Agent.

"Required Lenders" means, subject to Section 2.20, at any time, Lenders having Revolving Exposures and unused Commitments representing more than 50% of the sum of the total Revolving Exposures and unused Commitments at such time; provided that, at any time that there are two (2) or more Lenders, "Required Lenders" must include at least two (2) Lenders (that are not Affiliates of one another).

"Requirement of Law" means, with respect to any Person, (a) the charter, articles or certificate of organization or incorporation and bylaws or other organizational or governing documents of such Person and (b) any statute, law (including common law), treaty, rule, regulation, code, ordinance, order, decree, writ, judgment, injunction or determination of any arbitrator or court or other Governmental Authority (including Environmental Laws), in each case applicable to or binding upon such Person or any of its property or to which such Person or any of its property is subject.

"Reserves" means any and all reserves which the Administrative Agent deems necessary, in its Permitted Discretion, to maintain (including, without limitation, reserves for accrued and unpaid interest on the Secured Obligations, Banking Services Reserves, NMTC Reserves, Subordinated Seller Note Reserves, volatility reserves, reserves for rent at locations leased by any Loan Party and for consignee's, warehousemen's and bailee's charges, reserves for dilution of Accounts, reserves for Inventory shrinkage, reserves for customs charges and shipping charges related to any Inventory in transit, reserves for Swap Agreement Obligations, and reserves for taxes, fees, assessments, and other governmental charges) with respect to the Collateral or any Loan Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Administrative Agent may not implement new Reserves or increase the amount of any existing Reserves without at least three (3) Business Days' prior written notice to the Borrower Representative; provided that, (i) no such prior notice shall be required after the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default or for changes to any Reserves resulting solely by virtue of mathematical calculations of the amount of the Reserves in accordance with the methodology of calculation previously utilized and (ii) upon such notice, the Borrowers will not be permitted to borrow so as to exceed the Borrowing Base after giving effect to such new or modified Reserves. The amount of any Reserve established by the Administrative Agent, and any change in the amount of any Reserve, shall have a reasonable relationship to the event, condition or other matter that is the basis for such Reserve or such change. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Reserves shall not duplicate eligibility criteria contained in the definition of Eligible Accounts, Eligible Inventory or any other Reserve then established.

"Restricted Payment" means any dividend or other distribution (whether in cash, securities or other property) with respect to any Equity Interests in Holdings or any of its Subsidiaries to their Equity Interest holders in such capacity, or any payment (whether in cash, securities or other property), including any sinking fund or similar deposit, on account of the purchase, redemption, retirement, acquisition, cancellation or termination of any such Equity Interests in Holdings or its Subsidiaries or any option, warrant or other right to acquire any such Equity Interests in Holdings or its Subsidiaries, or any payment of management or similar fees to any Person. Notwithstanding the foregoing, and for the avoidance of doubt, (i) the conversion of (including any cash payment upon conversion), or payment of any principal or premium on, or payment of any interest with respect to, any Permitted Convertible Notes shall not constitute a Restricted Payment and (ii) any payment with respect to, or early unwind or settlement of, any Permitted Call Spread Swap Agreement shall not constitute a Restricted Payment.

"Revolving Exposure" means, with respect to any Lender at any time, the sum of (a) the outstanding principal amount of such Lender's Revolving Loans, its LC Exposure and its Swingline Exposure at such time <u>plus</u> (b) an amount equal to its Applicable Percentage of the aggregate principal amount of Protective Advances outstanding at such time <u>plus</u> (c) an amount equal to its Applicable Percentage of the aggregate principal amount of Overadvances outstanding at such time.

- "Revolving Loan" means a Loan made pursuant to Section 2.01.
- "Sale and Leaseback Transaction" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.06.
- "S&P" means S&P Global Ratings, a Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC business, or any successor thereto.
- "Sanctioned Country." means, at any time, a country, region or territory which is itself the subject or target of any Sanctions (at the time of this Agreement, Crimea, Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Sudan and Syria).
- "Sanctioned Person" means, at any time, (a) any Person listed in any Sanctions-related list of designated Persons maintained by OFAC, the U.S. Department of State, the United Nations Security Council, the European Union, any European Union member state, Her Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom or other relevant sanctions authority, (b) any Person operating, organized or resident in a Sanctioned Country or (c) any Person owned or controlled by any such Person or Persons described in the foregoing clauses (a) or (b).
- "Sanctions" means all economic or financial sanctions or trade embargoes imposed, administered or enforced from time to time by (a) the U.S. government, including those administered by OFAC or the U.S. Department of State or (b) the United Nations Security Council, the European Union, any European Union member state, Her Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom or other relevant sanctions authority.
 - "SEC" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.
- "Secured Obligations" means all Obligations, together with all (i) Banking Services Obligations and (ii) Swap Agreement Obligations owing to one or more Lenders or their respective Affiliates; provided, however, that the definition of "Secured Obligations" shall not create any guarantee by any Guarantor of (or grant of security interest by any Guarantor to support, as applicable) any Excluded Swap Obligations of such Guarantor for purposes of determining any obligations of any Guarantor.
- "Secured Parties" means (a) the Administrative Agent, (b) the Lenders, (c) the Issuing Bank, (d) each provider of Banking Services, to the extent the Banking Services Obligations in respect thereof constitute Secured Obligations, (e) each counterparty to any Swap Agreement, to the extent the obligations thereunder constitute Secured Obligations, (f) the beneficiaries of each indemnification obligation undertaken by any Loan Party under any Loan Document, and (g) the successors and assigns of each of the foregoing.
- "Security Agreement" means that certain Pledge and Security Agreement (including any and all supplements thereto), dated as of the date hereof, among the Loan Parties and the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties, and any other pledge or security agreement entered into, after the date of this Agreement by any other Loan Party (as required by this Agreement or any other Loan Document) or any other Person for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties, as the same may be amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.

"Settlement" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.05(d).

"Settlement Date" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.05(d).

"Specified Earn-Out Payment" means any payment made by a Loan Party or any Subsidiary in respect of earn-out obligations arising pursuant to that certain Additional Earn-Out Agreement, dated as of April 6, 2015, by and among, *inter alia*, Holdings, T.J. Foodservice Co., Inc., TJ Seafood, LLC, and John DeBenedetti, as the Sellers' Representative (as defined therein).

"Standby LC Exposure" means, at any time, the sum of (a) the aggregate undrawn amount of all standby Letters of Credit outstanding at such time plus (b) the aggregate amount of all LC Disbursements relating to standby Letters of Credit that have not yet been reimbursed by or on behalf of the Borrowers at such time. The Standby LC Exposure of any Lender at any time shall be its Applicable Percentage of the aggregate Standby LC Exposure at such time.

"Statements" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.18(g).

"Statutory Reserve Rate" means a fraction (expressed as a decimal), the numerator of which is the number one and the denominator of which is the number one minus the aggregate of the maximum reserve percentages (including any marginal, special, emergency or supplemental reserves) expressed as a decimal established by the Board to which the Administrative Agent is subject with respect to the Adjusted LIBO Rate, for eurocurrency funding (currently referred to as "Eurocurrency Liabilities" in Regulation D of the Board). Such reserve percentages shall include those imposed pursuant to such Regulation D. Eurodollar Loans shall be deemed to constitute eurocurrency funding and to be subject to such reserve requirements without benefit of or credit for proration, exemptions or offsets that may be available from time to time to any Lender under such Regulation D or any comparable regulation. The Statutory Reserve Rate shall be adjusted automatically on and as of the effective date of any change in any reserve percentage.

"Subordinated Seller Note Reserve" means, to the extent any Indebtedness is outstanding under the Permitted Convertible Seller Notes, a reserve established by the Administrative Agent on January 6, 2021 in an amount equal to the aggregate principal amount of Indebtedness outstanding under the Permitted Convertible Seller Notes; provided that, (a) the Subordinated Seller Note Reserve shall be reduced to zero on the date that the aggregate amount of Indebtedness in respect of the Permitted Convertible Seller Notes is paid in full in accordance with the terms hereof and (b) at any time that the Subordinated Seller Note Reserve is applicable, the amount of the Subordinated Seller Note Reserve shall automatically be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis by the amount of any reductions in the principal amount of Indebtedness outstanding under the Permitted Convertible Seller Notes.

"Subordinated Indebtedness" of a Person means any Indebtedness of such Person (including seller notes) which is subordinated to the Secured Obligations on terms and, if secured, pursuant to an intercreditor agreement, reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

"<u>subsidiary</u>" means, with respect to any Person (the "<u>parent</u>") at any date, any corporation, limited liability company, partnership, association or other entity the accounts of which would be consolidated with those of the parent in the parent's consolidated financial statements if such financial statements were prepared in accordance with GAAP as of such date, as well as any other corporation, limited liability company, partnership, association or other entity (a) of which securities or other ownership interests representing more than 50% of the equity or more than 50% of the ordinary voting power or, in the case of a partnership, more than 50% of the general partnership interests are, as of such date, owned, controlled or held, or (b) that is, as of such date, otherwise Controlled by the parent or one or more subsidiaries of the parent.

"Subsidiary" means any direct or indirect subsidiary of Holdings.

"Supermajority Lenders" means, subject to Section 2.20, at any time, Lenders having Revolving Exposures and unused Commitments representing more than 66 2/3% of the sum of the total Revolving Exposures and unused Commitments at such time; <u>provided</u> that, at any time that there are two (2) or more Lenders, "Supermajority Lenders" must include at least two (2) Lenders (that are not Affiliates of one another).

"Swap Agreement" means any agreement with respect to any swap, forward, spot, future, credit default or derivative transaction or option or similar agreement involving, or settled by reference to, one or more rates, currencies, commodities, equity or debt instruments or securities, or economic, financial or pricing indices or measures of economic, financial or pricing risk or value or any similar transaction or any combination of these transactions; provided that no phantom stock or similar plan providing for payments only on account of services provided by current or former directors, officers, employees or consultants of the Borrowers or the Subsidiaries shall be a Swap Agreement.

"Swap Agreement Obligations" means any and all obligations of the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries, whether absolute or contingent and howsoever and whensoever created, arising, evidenced or acquired (including all renewals, extensions and modifications thereof and substitutions therefor), under (a) any and all Swap Agreements permitted hereunder with a Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender, and (b) any and all cancellations, buy backs, reversals, terminations or assignments of any such Swap Agreement transaction.

"Swap Obligation" means, with respect to any Guarantor, any obligation to pay or perform under any agreement, contract or transaction that constitutes a "swap" within the meaning of section 1a(47) of the Commodity Exchange Act or any rules or regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Swingline Exposure" means, at any time, the sum of the aggregate principal amount of all outstanding Swingline Loans. The Swingline Exposure of any Lender at any time shall be its Applicable Percentage of the aggregate Swingline Exposure.

"Swingline Lender" means JPMCB, in its capacity as lender of Swingline Loans hereunder. Any consent required of the Administrative Agent or any Issuing Bank shall be deemed to be required of the Swingline Lender and any consent given by JPMCB in its capacity as Administrative Agent or Issuing Bank shall be deemed given by JPMCB in its capacity as Swingline Lender.

"Swingline Loan" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.05(a).

"Taxes" means any and all present or future taxes, levies, imposts, duties, deductions, withholdings, (including backup withholding), value added taxes, or any other goods and services, use or sales taxes, assessments, fees or other charges imposed by any Governmental Authority, including any interest, additions to tax or penalties applicable thereto.

"<u>Term Loan Agent</u>" means Jefferies Finance LLC, in its capacity as administrative agent and collateral agent under the Term Loan Agreement (or any successor agent thereunder or under any replacement thereof).

"<u>Term Loan Agreement</u>" means that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of the date hereof, among Dairyland and CW Parent, as borrowers, the other Loan Parties from time to time party thereto, the Term Loan Agent and the lenders from time to time party thereto, as the same may be amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time and as replaced or refinanced in whole or in part (whether with the same group of lenders or a different group of lenders) in accordance with the terms hereof and of the Intercreditor Agreement.

"<u>Term Loan Documents</u>" means, collectively, the Term Loan Agreement and all other agreements, instruments, documents and certificates executed and/or delivered in connection therewith, as the same may be amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time in accordance with the terms hereof and of the Intercreditor Agreement.

"Term Loan Obligations" means the Indebtedness and other obligations of Holdings and its Subsidiaries under the Term Loan Documents.

"<u>Term Loan Priority Collateral</u>" has the meaning assigned thereto in the Intercreditor Agreement, and is intended to indicate that portion of the Collateral subject to a prior Lien in favor of the Term Loan Agent and the other secured parties for which it acts.

"<u>Total Commitment Utilization</u>" means, for any day, a percentage equal to a fraction the numerator of which is the Aggregate Revolving Exposure at such time and the denominator of which is the Aggregate Commitment on such day.

"<u>Total Net Indebtedness</u>" means, at any date, the aggregate principal amount of all Indebtedness of Holdings and its Subsidiaries at such date, determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP but net of unrestricted and unencumbered (other than Liens permitted under <u>Section 6.02(a)</u> or <u>6.02(m)</u>) cash and Permitted Investments of the Loan Parties of up to \$25,000,000. For purposes of determining Total Net Indebtedness, the Indebtedness of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary in respect of any Swap Agreement on any date of determination shall be the maximum aggregate amount (giving effect to any netting agreements) that such Loan Party or such Subsidiary would be required to pay if such Swap Agreement were terminated at such time.

"<u>Total Leverage Ratio</u>" means, on any date, the ratio of (a) Total Net Indebtedness on such date to (b) EBITDA for the period of four (4) consecutive Fiscal Quarters ended on such date (or, if such date is not the last day of a Fiscal Quarter, ended on the last day of the Fiscal Quarter most recently ended prior to such date).

"<u>Transactions</u>" means (a) the execution, delivery and performance by the Loan Parties of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, the borrowing of Loans and other credit extensions, the use of the proceeds thereof, the issuance of Letters of Credit hereunder and the repayment of the Indebtedness required hereunder and (b) the execution, delivery and performance by the Loan Parties of the Term Loan Documents, the borrowing of loans thereunder and the use of the proceeds thereof.

"Type", when used in reference to any Loan or Borrowing, refers to whether the rate of interest on such Loan, or on the Loans comprising such Borrowing, is determined by reference to the Adjusted LIBO Rate or the Alternate Base Rate.

"<u>UCC</u>" means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect from time to time in the State of New York or any other state the laws of which are required to be applied in connection with the attachment, perfection or priority of, or remedies with respect to, the Administrative Agent's or any Lender's Lien on any Collateral.

"<u>Unfinanced Capital Expenditures</u>" means, for any period, Capital Expenditures made during such period which are not financed from the proceeds of any Indebtedness (other than the Revolving Loans; it being understood and agreed that, to the extent any Capital Expenditures are financed with Revolving Loans, such Capital Expenditures shall be deemed Unfinanced Capital Expenditures).

"<u>Unliquidated Obligations</u>" means, at any time, any Secured Obligations (or portion thereof) that are contingent in nature or unliquidated, including any Secured Obligation that is: (i) an obligation to reimburse a bank for drawings not yet made under a letter of credit issued by it; (ii) any other obligation (including any guarantee) that is contingent in nature; (iii) an obligation to provide collateral to secure any of the foregoing types of obligations; or (iv) an indemnity.

"U.S." means the United States of America.

"U.S. Person" means a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code.

"U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.17(f)(ii)(B)(3).

"<u>USA PATRIOT Act</u>" means the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001.

"Withdrawal Liability" means liability to a Multiemployer Plan as a result of a complete or partial withdrawal from such Multiemployer Plan, as such terms are defined in Part I of Subtitle E of Title IV of ERISA.

"Withholding Agent" means each of the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent.

"<u>Write-Down and Conversion Powers</u>" means, with respect to any EEA Resolution Authority, the write-down and conversion powers of such EEA Resolution Authority from time to time under the Bail-In Legislation for the applicable EEA Member Country, which write-down and conversion powers are described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule.

SECTION 1.02 <u>Classification of Loans and Borrowings</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, Loans may be classified and referred to by Class (e.g., a "Revolving Loan") or by Type (e.g., a "Eurodollar Loan") or by Class and Type (e.g., a "Eurodollar Revolving Loan"). Borrowings also may be classified and referred to by Class (e.g., a "Revolving Borrowing") or by Type (e.g., a "Eurodollar Borrowing") or by Class and Type (e.g., a "Eurodollar Revolving Borrowing").

SECTION 1.03 Terms Generally. The definitions of terms herein shall apply equally to the singular and plural forms of the terms defined. Whenever the context may require, any pronoun shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine and neuter forms. The words "include", "includes" and "including" shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase "without limitation". The word "will" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect as the word "shall". The word "law" shall be construed as referring to all statutes, rules, regulations, codes and other laws (including official rulings and interpretations thereunder having the force of law or with which affected Persons customarily comply), and all judgments, orders and decrees, of all Governmental Authorities. Unless the context requires otherwise (a) any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument or other document herein shall be construed as referring to such agreement, instrument or other document as from time to time amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified (subject to any restrictions on such amendments, restatements, supplements or modifications set forth herein), (b) any definition of or reference to any statute, rule or regulation shall be construed as referring thereto as from time to time amended, supplemented or otherwise modified (including by succession of comparable successor laws),

(c) any reference herein to any Person shall be construed to include such Person's successors and assigns (subject to any restrictions on assignment set forth herein) and, in the case of any Governmental Authority, any other Governmental Authority that shall have succeeded to any or all functions thereof, (d) the words "herein", "hereof" and "hereunder", and words of similar import, shall be construed to refer to this Agreement in its entirety and not to any particular provision hereof, (e) all references herein to Articles, Sections, Exhibits and Schedules shall be construed to refer to Articles and Sections of, and Exhibits and Schedules to, this Agreement, (f) any reference in any definition to the phrase "at any time" or "for any period" shall refer to the same time or period for all calculations or determinations within such definition and (g) the words "asset" and "property" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect and to refer to any and all tangible and intangible assets and properties, including cash, securities, accounts and contract rights.

SECTION 1.04 Accounting Terms; GAAP. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, all terms of an accounting or financial nature shall be construed in accordance with GAAP, as in effect from time to time; provided that, if after the Effective Date there occurs any change in GAAP or in the application thereof on the operation of any provision hereof and the Borrower Representative notifies the Administrative Agent that the Borrowers request an amendment to any provision hereof to eliminate the effect of such change in GAAP or in the application thereof (or if the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower Representative that the Required Lenders request an amendment to any provision hereof for such purpose), regardless of whether any such notice is given before or after such change in GAAP or in the application thereof, then such provision shall be interpreted on the basis of GAAP as in effect and applied immediately before such change shall have become effective until such notice shall have been withdrawn or such provision amended in accordance herewith. Notwithstanding any other provision contained herein, (i) all terms of an accounting or financial nature used herein shall be construed, and all computations of amounts and ratios referred to herein shall be made (a) without giving effect to any election under Accounting Standards Codification 825-10-25 (or any other Accounting Standards Codification or Financial Accounting Standard having a similar result or effect) to value any Indebtedness or other liabilities of Holdings or any Subsidiary at "fair value", as defined therein and (b) without giving effect to any treatment of Indebtedness in respect of convertible debt instruments under Accounting Standards Codification 470-20 (or any other Accounting Standards Codification or Financial Accounting Standard having a similar result or effect) to value any such Indebtedness in a reduced or bifurcated manner as described therein, and such Indebtedness shall at all times be valued at the full stated principal amount thereof and (ii) any obligations relating to a lease that was accounted for by such Person as an operating lease as of the Effective Date and any similar lease entered into after the Effective Date by such Person (or any Subsidiary or Affiliate of such Person) shall be accounted for by such Person as an operating lease and not as Capital Lease Obligations.

SECTION 1.05 Pro Forma Calculations. All pro forma computations required to be made hereunder giving effect to any acquisition or disposition, or issuance, incurrence or assumption of Indebtedness, or other transaction shall in each case be calculated giving pro forma effect thereto (and, in the case of any pro forma computation made hereunder to determine whether such acquisition or disposition, or issuance, incurrence or assumption of Indebtedness, or other transaction is permitted to be consummated hereunder, to any other such transaction consummated since the first day of the period covered by any component of such pro forma computation and on or prior to the date of such computation) as if such transaction had occurred on the first day of the period of four consecutive Fiscal Quarters ending with the most recent Fiscal Quarter for which financial statements shall have been delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(a) or 5.01(b) (or, prior to the delivery of any such financial statements, ending with the last Fiscal Quarter included in the financial statements referred to in Section 3.04(a)), and, to the extent applicable, to the historical earnings and cash flows associated with the assets acquired or disposed of (but without giving effect to any synergies or cost savings, unless otherwise permitted pursuant to the definition of "EBITDA") and any related incurrence or reduction of Indebtedness, all in accordance with Article 11 of Regulation S-X under the Securities Act (or as otherwise permitted pursuant to the definition of "EBITDA"). If any Indebtedness bears a floating rate of interest and is being given pro forma effect, the interest on such Indebtedness shall be calculated as if the rate in effect on the date of determination had been the applicable rate for the entire period (taking into account any Swap Agreement applicable to such Indebtedness).

SECTION 1.06 Status of Obligations. In the event that any Loan Party shall at any time issue or have outstanding any Subordinated Indebtedness, such Loan Party shall take all such actions as shall be necessary to cause the Secured Obligations to constitute senior indebtedness (however denominated) in respect of such Subordinated Indebtedness and to enable the Administrative Agent and the Lenders to have and exercise any payment blockage or other remedies available or potentially available to holders of senior indebtedness under the terms of such Subordinated Indebtedness. Without limiting the foregoing, the Obligations are hereby designated as "senior indebtedness" and as "designated senior indebtedness" and words of similar import under and in respect of any indenture or other agreement or instrument under which such Subordinated Indebtedness is outstanding and are further given all such other designations as shall be required under the terms of any such Subordinated Indebtedness in order that the Lenders may have and exercise any payment blockage or other remedies available or potentially available to holders of senior indebtedness under the terms of such Subordinated Indebtedness.

ARTICLE II.

THE CREDITS

SECTION 2.01 <u>Commitments</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, each Lender (severally and not jointly) agrees to make Revolving Loans to the Borrowers in Dollars from time to time during the Availability Period in an aggregate principal amount that will not result in (i) such Lender's Revolving Exposure exceeding such Lender's Commitment or (ii) the Aggregate Revolving Exposure exceeding the lesser of (x) the Aggregate Commitment and (y) the Borrowing Base, subject to the Administrative Agent's authority, in its sole discretion, to make Protective Advances and Overadvances pursuant to the terms of Sections 2.04 and 2.05. Within the foregoing limits and subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Borrowers may borrow, prepay and reborrow Revolving Loans.

SECTION 2.02 <u>Loans and Borrowings</u>. (a) Each Revolving Loan (other than a Swingline Loan) shall be made as part of a Borrowing consisting of Revolving Loans of the same Class and Type made by the Lenders ratably in accordance with their respective Commitments. The failure of any Lender to make any Revolving Loan required to be made by it shall not relieve any other Lender of its obligations hereunder; <u>provided</u> that, the Commitments of the Lenders are several and no Lender shall be responsible for any other Lender's failure to make Loans as required. Any Protective Advance, any Overadvance and any Swingline Loan shall be made in accordance with the procedures set forth in Sections 2.04 and 2.05.

(b) Subject to Section 2.14, each Revolving Borrowing shall be comprised entirely of ABR Loans or Eurodollar Loans as the Borrower Representative may request in accordance herewith. Each Swingline Loan shall be an ABR Loan. Each Lender at its option may make any Eurodollar Loan by causing any domestic or foreign branch or Affiliate of such Lender to make such Loan (and in the case of an Affiliate, the provisions of Sections 2.15, 2.16 and 2.17 shall apply to such Affiliate to the same extent as to such Lender); provided that any exercise of such option shall not affect the obligation of the Borrowers to repay such Loan in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

- (c) At the commencement of each Interest Period for any Eurodollar Revolving Borrowing, such Borrowing shall be in an aggregate amount that is an integral multiple of \$500,000 and not less than \$1,000,000. ABR Revolving Borrowings may be in any amount. Borrowings of more than one Type and Class may be outstanding at the same time; provided that there shall not at any time be more than a total of five (5) Eurodollar Borrowings outstanding at any time.
- (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Borrower Representative shall not be entitled to request, or to elect to convert or continue, any Borrowing if the Interest Period requested with respect thereto would end after the Maturity Date.

SECTION 2.03 Requests for Revolving Borrowings. To request a Revolving Borrowing, the Borrower Representative shall notify the Administrative Agent of such request either in writing (delivered by hand or facsimile) in a form approved by the Administrative Agent and signed by the Borrower Representative or by telephone or through Electronic System, if arrangements for doing so have been approved by the Administrative Agent, not later than (a) in the case of a Eurodollar Borrowing, 10:00 a.m., New York City time, three (3) Business Days before the date of the proposed Borrowing or (b) in the case of an ABR Borrowing, noon, New York City time, on the date of the proposed Borrowing; provided that any such notice of an ABR Revolving Borrowing to finance the reimbursement of an LC Disbursement as contemplated by Section 2.06(e) may be given not later than 9:00 a.m., New York City time, on the date of the proposed Borrowing. Each such Borrowing Request shall be irrevocable and each telephonic Borrowing Request shall be confirmed promptly by hand delivery, facsimile or a communication through Electronic System to the Administrative Agent of a written Borrowing Request in a form approved by the Administrative Agent and signed by the Borrower Representative. Each Borrowing Request shall specify the following information:

- (i) the name of the applicable Borrower(s);
- (ii) the aggregate amount of the requested Borrowing and a breakdown of the separate wires comprising such Borrowing;
- (iii) the date of such Borrowing, which shall be a Business Day;
- (iv) whether such Borrowing is to be an ABR Borrowing or a Eurodollar Borrowing;
- (v) in the case of a Eurodollar Borrowing, the initial Interest Period to be applicable thereto, which shall be a period contemplated by the definition of the term "Interest Period"; and
- (vi) the location and account number of the account to which funds are to be disbursed, which shall comply with the requirements of Section 2.07.

If no election as to the Type of Revolving Borrowing is specified, then the requested Revolving Borrowing shall be an ABR Borrowing. If no Interest Period is specified with respect to any requested Eurodollar Revolving Borrowing, then the applicable Borrower(s) shall be deemed to have selected an Interest Period of one month's duration. Promptly following receipt of a Borrowing Request in accordance with this Section, the Administrative Agent shall advise each Lender of the details thereof and of the amount of such Lender's Loan to be made as part of the requested Borrowing.

SECTION 2.04 Protective Advances.

(a) Subject to the limitations set forth below, the Administrative Agent is authorized by the Borrowers and the Lenders, from time to time in the Administrative Agent's sole discretion (but shall have absolutely no obligation to), to make Loans to the Borrowers, on behalf of all Lenders, which the Administrative Agent, in its Permitted Discretion, deems necessary or desirable (i) to preserve or protect the Collateral, or any portion thereof, (ii) to enhance the likelihood of, or maximize the amount of, repayment of the Loans and other Obligations, or (iii) to pay any other amount chargeable to or required to be paid by the Borrowers pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, including payments of reimbursable expenses (including costs, fees, and expenses as described in Section 9.03) and other sums payable under the Loan Documents (any of such Loans are herein referred to as "Protective Advances");

provided that, the aggregate amount of Protective Advances outstanding at any time shall not at any time exceed \$3,750,000; provided further that, the Aggregate Revolving Exposure after giving effect to the Protective Advances being made shall not exceed the Aggregate Commitment. Protective Advances may be made even if the conditions precedent set forth in Section 4.02 have not been satisfied. The Protective Advances shall be secured by the Liens in favor of the Administrative Agent in and to the Collateral and shall constitute Obligations hereunder. All Protective Advances shall be ABR Borrowings. The Administrative Agent's authorization to make Protective Advances may be revoked at any time by the Required Lenders. Any such revocation must be in writing and shall become effective prospectively upon the Administrative Agent's receipt thereof. At any time that there is sufficient Availability and the conditions precedent set forth in Section 4.02 have been satisfied, the Administrative Agent may request the Lenders to make a Revolving Loan to repay a Protective Advance. At any other time the Administrative Agent may require the Lenders to fund their risk participations described in Section 2.04(b).

(b) Upon the making of a Protective Advance by the Administrative Agent (whether before or after the occurrence of a Default), each Lender shall be deemed, without further action by any party hereto, to have unconditionally and irrevocably purchased from the Administrative Agent, without recourse or warranty, an undivided interest and participation in such Protective Advance in proportion to its Applicable Percentage. From and after the date, if any, on which any Lender is required to fund its participation in any Protective Advance purchased hereunder, the Administrative Agent shall promptly distribute to such Lender, such Lender's Applicable Percentage of all payments of principal and interest and all proceeds of Collateral received by the Administrative Agent in respect of such Protective Advance.

SECTION 2.05 Swingline Loans and Overadvances. (a) The Administrative Agent, the Swingline Lender and the Lenders agree that in order to facilitate the administration of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, promptly after the Borrower Representative requests an ABR Borrowing, the Swingline Lender may elect to have the terms of this Section 2.05(a) apply to such Borrowing Request by advancing, on behalf of the Lenders and in the amount requested, same day funds to the Borrowers, on the date of the applicable Borrowing to the Funding Account(s) (each such Loan made solely by the Swingline Lender pursuant to this Section 2.05(a) is referred to in this Agreement as a "Swingline Loan"), with settlement among them as to the Swingline Loans to take place on a periodic basis as set forth in Section 2.05(d). Each Swingline Loan shall be subject to all the terms and conditions applicable to other ABR Loans funded by the Lenders, except that all payments thereon shall be payable to the Swingline Lender solely for its own account. The aggregate amount of Swingline Loans outstanding at any time shall not exceed \$10,000,000. The Swingline Lender shall not make any Swingline Loan if the requested Swingline Loan exceeds Availability (before or after giving effect to such Swingline Loan). All Swingline Loans shall be ABR Borrowings.

(b) Any provision of this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, at the request of the Borrower Representative, the Administrative Agent may in its sole discretion (but with absolutely no obligation), make Revolving Loans to the Borrowers, on behalf of the Lenders, in amounts that exceed Availability (any such excess Revolving Loans are herein referred to collectively as "Overadvances"); provided that, no Overadvance shall result in a Default due to Borrowers' failure to comply with Section 2.01 for so long as such Overadvance remains outstanding in accordance with the terms of this paragraph, but solely with respect to the amount of such Overadvance.

In addition, Overadvances may be made even if the condition precedent set forth in Section 4.02(c) has not been satisfied. All Overadvances shall constitute ABR Borrowings. The authority of the Administrative Agent to make Overadvances is limited to an aggregate amount not to exceed \$3,750,000 at any time, no Overadvance may remain outstanding for more than thirty (30) days and no Overadvance shall cause any Lender's Revolving Exposure to exceed its Commitment; provided that, the Required Lenders may at any time revoke the Administrative Agent's authorization to make Overadvances. Any such revocation must be in writing and shall become effective prospectively upon the Administrative Agent's receipt thereof.

- Upon the making of a Swingline Loan or an Overadvance (whether before or after the occurrence of a Default and regardless of whether a Settlement has been requested with respect to such Swingline Loan or Overadvance), each Lender shall be deemed, without further action by any party hereto, to have unconditionally and irrevocably purchased from the Swingline Lender or the Administrative Agent, as the case may be, without recourse or warranty, an undivided interest and participation in such Swingline Loan or Overadvance in proportion to its Applicable Percentage of the Commitment. The Swingline Lender or the Administrative Agent may, at any time, require the Lenders to fund their participations. From and after the date, if any, on which any Lender is required to fund its participation in any Swingline Loan or Overadvance purchased hereunder, the Administrative Agent shall promptly distribute to such Lender, such Lender's Applicable Percentage of all payments of principal and interest and all proceeds of Collateral received by the Administrative Agent in respect of such Swingline Loan or Overadvance.
- (d) The Administrative Agent, on behalf of the Swingline Lender, shall request settlement (a "Settlement") with the Lenders on at least a weekly basis and on any date that the Administrative Agent elects, by notifying the Lenders of such requested Settlement by facsimile, telephone, or e-mail no later than 12:00 noon, New York City time, on the date of such requested Settlement (the "Settlement Date"). Each Lender (other than the Swingline Lender, in the case of the Swingline Loans) shall transfer the amount of such Lender's Applicable Percentage of the outstanding principal amount of the applicable Loan with respect to which Settlement is requested to the Administrative Agent, to such account of the Administrative Agent as the Administrative Agent may designate, not later than 2:00 p.m., New York City time, on such Settlement Date. Settlements may occur during the existence of a Default and whether or not the applicable conditions precedent set forth in Section 4.02 have then been satisfied. Such amounts transferred to the Administrative Agent shall be applied against the amounts of the Swingline Lender's Swingline Loans and, together with Swingline Lender's Applicable Percentage of such Swingline Loan, shall constitute Revolving Loans of such Lenders, respectively. If any such amount is not transferred to the Administrative Agent by any Lender on such Settlement Date, the Swingline Lender shall be entitled to recover from such Lender on demand such amount, together with interest thereon, as specified in Section 2.07.

SECTION 2.06 Letters of Credit. (a) General. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein (including satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 4.02), any Borrower may request the issuance of Letters of Credit as the applicant thereof for the support of its or its Subsidiaries' obligations, in a form reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank, at any time and from time to time during the Availability Period. In the event of any inconsistency between the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the terms and conditions of any form of letter of credit application or other agreement submitted by such Borrower to, or entered into by such Borrower with, the Issuing Bank relating to any Letter of Credit, the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall control. The letters of credit issued, or deemed to be issued, pursuant to the Existing Credit Agreement (the "Existing Letters of Credit") shall be deemed to be "Letters of Credit" issued on the Effective Date for all purposes of the Loan Documents. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuing Bank shall have no obligation hereunder to issue, and shall not issue, any Letter of Credit the proceeds of which would be made available to any Person (i) to fund any activity or business of or with any Sanctioned Person, or in any country or territory that, at the time of such funding, is the subject of any Sanctions or (ii) in any manner that would result in a violation of any Sanctions by any party to this Agreement.

Each Borrower unconditionally and irrevocably agrees that, in connection with any Letter of Credit issued for the support of any Subsidiary's obligations as provided in the first sentence of this paragraph, such Borrower will be fully responsible for the reimbursement of LC Disbursements in accordance with the terms hereof, the payment of interest thereon and the payment of fees due under Section 2.12(b) to the same extent as if it were the sole account party in respect of such Letter of Credit (the Company hereby irrevocably waiving any defenses that might otherwise be available to it as a guarantor or surety of the obligations of such a Subsidiary that is an account party in respect of any such Letter of Credit). Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuing Bank shall have no obligation hereunder to issue, and shall not issue, any Letter of Credit (i) the proceeds of which would be made available to any Person (A) to fund any activity or business of or with any Sanctioned Person, or in any country or territory that, at the time of such funding, is the subject of any Sanctions or (B) in any manner that would result in a violation of any Sanctions by any party to this Agreement, (ii) if any order, judgment or decree of any Governmental Authority or arbitrator shall by its terms purport to enjoin or restrain the Issuing Bank from issuing such Letter of Credit, or any Requirement of Law relating to the Issuing Bank or any request or directive (whether or not having the force of law) from any Governmental Authority with jurisdiction over the Issuing Bank shall prohibit, or request that the Issuing Bank refrain from, the issuance of letters of credit generally or such Letter of Credit in particular or shall impose upon the Issuing Bank with respect to such Letter of Credit any restriction, reserve or capital requirement (for which the Issuing Bank is not otherwise compensated hereunder) not in effect on the Effective Date, or shall impose upon the Issuing Bank any unreimbursed loss, cost or expense which was not applicable on the Effective Date and which the Issuing Bank in good faith deems material to it, or (iii) if the issuance of such Letter of Credit would violate one or more policies of the Issuing Bank applicable to letters of credit generally; provided that, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, (x) the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and all requests, rules, guidelines, requirements or directives thereunder or issued in connection therewith or in the implementation thereof, and (y) all requests, rules, guidelines, requirements or directives promulgated by the Bank for International Settlements, the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (or any successor or similar authority) or the United States or foreign regulatory authorities, in each case pursuant to Basel III, shall in each case be deemed not to be in effect on the Effective Date for purposes of clause (ii) above, regardless of the date enacted, adopted, issued or implemented.

(b) Notice of Issuance, Amendment, Renewal, Extension; Certain Conditions. To request the issuance of a Letter of Credit (or the amendment, renewal or extension of an outstanding Letter of Credit), the Borrower Representative shall deliver by hand or facsimile (or transmit through Electronic Systems, if arrangements for doing so have been approved by the Issuing Bank) to the Issuing Bank and the Administrative Agent (reasonably in advance of, but in any event no less than three (3) Business Days prior to, the requested date of issuance, amendment, renewal or extension) a notice requesting the issuance of a Letter of Credit, or identifying the Letter of Credit to be amended, renewed or extended, and specifying the date of issuance, amendment, renewal or extension (which shall be a Business Day), the date on which such Letter of Credit is to expire (which shall comply with paragraph (c) of this Section), the amount of such Letter of Credit, the name and address of the beneficiary thereof and such other information as shall be necessary to prepare, amend, renew or extend such Letter of Credit. If requested by the Issuing Bank, the applicable Borrower also shall submit a letter of credit application on the Issuing Bank's standard form in connection with any request for a Letter of Credit. A Letter of Credit shall be issued, amended, renewed or extended only if (and upon issuance, amendment, renewal or extension (i) the aggregate LC Exposure shall not exceed \$15,000,000, (ii) the aggregate Standby LC Exposure shall not exceed \$15,000,000, (iii) no Lender's Revolving Exposure shall exceed its Commitment and (iv) the Aggregate Revolving Exposure shall not exceed the lesser of the Aggregate Commitment and the Borrowing Base.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, prior to requesting the issuance of a Letter of Credit, the Administrative Agent shall have received such letter of credit applications or master agreement as may be required by the Issuing Bank (and reasonably acceptable to Administrative Agent), which applications and/or agreements shall be properly completed and executed. Notwithstanding the foregoing or anything to the contrary contained herein, no Issuing Bank shall be obligated to issue or modify any Letter of Credit if, immediately after giving effect thereto, the outstanding LC Exposure in respect of all Letters of Credit issued by such Person and its Affiliates would exceed such Issuing Bank's Issuing Bank Sublimit. Without limiting the foregoing and without affecting the limitations contained herein, it is understood and agreed that any Borrower may from time to time request that an Issuing Bank issue Letters of Credit in excess of its individual Issuing Bank Sublimit in effect at the time of such request, and each Issuing Bank agrees to consider any such request in good faith. Any Letter of Credit so issued by an Issuing Bank in excess of its individual Issuing Bank Sublimit then in effect shall nonetheless constitute a Letter of Credit for all purposes of the Credit Agreement, and shall not affect the Issuing Bank Sublimit of any other Issuing Bank, subject to the limitations on the aggregate LC Exposure set forth in clause (i) of this Section 2.06(b).

- (c) <u>Expiration Date</u>. Each Letter of Credit shall expire (or be subject to termination by notice from the Issuing Bank to the beneficiary thereof) at or prior to the close of business on the earlier of (i) the date one year after the date of the issuance of such Letter of Credit (or, in the case of any renewal or extension thereof, one year after such renewal or extension) and (ii) the date that is five (5) Business Days prior to the Maturity Date; <u>provided</u> that any Letter of Credit with a one-year tenor may contain customary automatic renewal provisions agreed upon by the Borrower and the Issuing Bank that provide for the renewal thereof for additional one-year periods (which shall in no event extend beyond the date referenced in clause (ii) above), subject to a right on the part of the Issuing Bank to prevent any such renewal from occurring by giving notice to the beneficiary in advance of any such renewal.
- (d) <u>Participations</u>. By the issuance of a Letter of Credit (or an amendment to a Letter of Credit increasing the amount thereof) and without any further action on the part of the Issuing Bank or the Lenders, the Issuing Bank hereby grants to each Lender, and each Lender hereby acquires from the Issuing Bank, a participation in such Letter of Credit equal to such Lender's Applicable Percentage of the aggregate amount available to be drawn under such Letter of Credit. In consideration and in furtherance of the foregoing, each Lender hereby absolutely and unconditionally agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent, for the account of the Issuing Bank, such Lender's Applicable Percentage of each LC Disbursement made by the Issuing Bank and not reimbursed by the Borrowers on the date due as provided in <u>paragraph (e)</u> of this Section, or of any reimbursement payment required to be refunded to the Borrowers for any reason. Each Lender acknowledges and agrees that its obligation to acquire participations pursuant to this paragraph in respect of Letters of Credit is absolute and unconditional and shall not be affected by any circumstance whatsoever, including any amendment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit or the occurrence and continuance of a Default or reduction or termination of the Commitments, and that each such payment shall be made without any offset, abatement, withholding or reduction whatsoever.
- (e) <u>Reimbursement</u>. If the Issuing Bank shall make any LC Disbursement in respect of a Letter of Credit, the Borrowers shall reimburse such LC Disbursement by paying to the Administrative Agent an amount equal to such LC Disbursement (i) not later than 11:00 a.m., New York City time, on the date that such LC Disbursement is made, if the Borrower Representative shall have received notice of such LC Disbursement prior to 9:00 a.m., New York City time, on such date, or (ii) if such notice has not been received by the Borrower Representative prior to such time on such date, then not later than 11:00 a.m., New York City time, on the Business Day immediately following the day that the Borrower Representative receives such notice;

provided that the Borrowers may, subject to the conditions to borrowing set forth herein, request in accordance with Section 2.03 or Section 2.05 that such payment be financed with an ABR Revolving Borrowing or Swingline Loan in an equivalent amount and, to the extent so financed, the Borrowers' obligation to make such payment shall be discharged and replaced by the resulting ABR Revolving Borrowing or Swingline Loan. If the Borrowers fail to make such payment when due, the Administrative Agent shall notify each Lender of the applicable LC Disbursement, the payment then due from the Borrowers in respect thereof and such Lender's Applicable Percentage thereof. Promptly following receipt of such notice, each Lender shall pay to the Administrative Agent its Applicable Percentage of the payment then due from the Borrowers, in the same manner as provided in Section 2.07 with respect to Loans made by such Lender (and Section 2.07 shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to the payment obligations of the Lenders), and the Administrative Agent shall promptly pay to the Issuing Bank the amounts so received by it from the Lenders. Promptly following receipt by the Administrative Agent of any payment from the Borrowers pursuant to this paragraph, the Administrative Agent shall distribute such payment to the Issuing Bank or, to the extent that Lenders have made payments pursuant to this paragraph to reimburse the Issuing Bank for any LC Disbursement (other than the funding of ABR Revolving Loans or a Swingline Loan as contemplated above) shall not constitute a Loan and shall not relieve the Borrowers of their obligation to reimburse such LC Disbursement.

Obligations Absolute. The Borrowers' joint and several obligation to reimburse LC Disbursements as provided in paragraph (e) of this Section shall be absolute, unconditional and irrevocable, and shall be performed strictly in accordance with the terms of this Agreement under any and all circumstances whatsoever and irrespective of (i) any lack of validity or enforceability of any Letter of Credit or this Agreement, or any term or provision therein or herein, (ii) any draft or other document presented under a Letter of Credit proving to be forged, fraudulent or invalid in any respect or any statement therein being untrue or inaccurate in any respect, (iii) payment by the Issuing Bank under a Letter of Credit against presentation of a draft or other document that does not comply with the terms of such Letter of Credit, or (iv) any other event or circumstance whatsoever, whether or not similar to any of the foregoing, that might, but for the provisions of this Section, constitute a legal or equitable discharge of, or provide a right of setoff against, the Borrowers' obligations hereunder. Neither the Administrative Agent, the Lenders nor the Issuing Bank, nor any of their Related Parties, shall have any liability or responsibility by reason of or in connection with the issuance or transfer of any Letter of Credit or any payment or failure to make any payment thereunder (irrespective of any of the circumstances referred to in the preceding sentence), or any error, omission, interruption, loss or delay in transmission or delivery of any draft, notice or other communication under or relating to any Letter of Credit (including any document required to make a drawing thereunder), any error in interpretation of technical terms or any consequence arising from causes beyond the control of the Issuing Bank; provided that the foregoing shall not be construed to excuse the Issuing Bank from liability to the Borrowers to the extent of any direct damages (as opposed to consequential damages, claims in respect of which are hereby waived by the Borrowers to the extent permitted by applicable law) suffered by any Borrower that are caused by the Issuing Bank's failure to exercise care when determining whether drafts and other documents presented under a Letter of Credit comply with the terms thereof. The parties hereto expressly agree that, in the absence of gross negligence or willful misconduct on the part of the Issuing Bank (as finally determined by a court of competent jurisdiction), the Issuing Bank shall be deemed to have exercised care in each such determination. In furtherance of the foregoing and without limiting the generality thereof, the parties agree that, with respect to documents presented which appear on their face to be in substantial compliance with the terms of a Letter of Credit, the Issuing Bank may, in its sole discretion, either accept and make payment upon such documents without responsibility for further investigation, regardless of any notice or information to the contrary, or refuse to accept and make payment upon such documents if such documents are not in strict compliance with the terms of such Letter of Credit.

- (g) <u>Disbursement Procedures</u>. The Issuing Bank shall, promptly following its receipt thereof, examine all documents purporting to represent a demand for payment under a Letter of Credit. The Issuing Bank shall promptly notify the Administrative Agent and the applicable Borrower by telephone (confirmed by facsimile) of such demand for payment and whether the Issuing Bank has made or will make an LC Disbursement thereunder; <u>provided</u> that any failure to give or delay in giving such notice shall not relieve the Borrowers of their obligation to reimburse the Issuing Bank and the Lenders with respect to any such LC Disbursement.
- (h) Interim Interest. If the Issuing Bank shall make any LC Disbursement, then, unless the Borrowers shall reimburse such LC Disbursement in full on the date such LC Disbursement is made, the unpaid amount thereof shall bear interest, for each day from and including the date such LC Disbursement is made to but excluding the date that the Borrowers reimburse such LC Disbursement, at the rate per annum then applicable to ABR Revolving Loans and such interest shall be payable on the date when such reimbursement is due; provided that, if the Borrowers fail to reimburse such LC Disbursement when due pursuant to paragraph (e) of this Section, then Section 2.13(d) shall apply. Interest accrued pursuant to this paragraph shall be for the account of the Issuing Bank, except that interest accrued on and after the date of payment by any Lender pursuant to paragraph (e) of this Section to reimburse the Issuing Bank shall be for the account of such Lender to the extent of such payment.
- (i) Replacement of the Issuing Bank. (A) The Issuing Bank may be replaced at any time by written agreement among the Borrower Representative, the Administrative Agent, the replaced Issuing Bank and the successor Issuing Bank. The Administrative Agent shall notify the Lenders of any such replacement of the Issuing Bank. At the time any such replacement shall become effective, the Borrowers shall pay all unpaid fees accrued for the account of the replaced Issuing Bank pursuant to Section 2.12(b). From and after the effective date of any such replacement, (i) the successor Issuing Bank shall have all the rights and obligations of the Issuing Bank under this Agreement with respect to Letters of Credit to be issued thereafter and (ii) references herein to the term "Issuing Bank" shall be deemed to refer to such successor or to any previous Issuing Bank, or to such successor and all previous Issuing Banks, as the context shall require. After the replacement of an Issuing Bank hereunder, the replaced Issuing Bank shall remain a party hereto and shall continue to have all the rights and obligations of an Issuing Bank under this Agreement with respect to Letters of Credit then outstanding and issued by it prior to such replacement, but shall not be required to issue additional Letters of Credit.
- (B) Subject to the appointment and acceptance of a successor Issuing Bank in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, the Issuing Bank may resign as the Issuing Bank at any time upon thirty days' prior written notice to the Administrative Agent, the Borrower Representative and the Lenders, in which case, the Issuing Bank shall be replaced in accordance with Section 2.06(i)(A) above.
- (j) <u>Cash Collateralization</u>. Subject to the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement, if any Event of Default shall occur and be continuing, on the Business Day that the Borrower Representative receives notice from the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders (or, if the maturity of the Loans has been accelerated, Required Lenders) demanding the deposit of cash collateral pursuant to this paragraph, the Borrowers shall deposit in an account with the Administrative Agent, in the name of the Administrative Agent and for the benefit of the Lenders (the "<u>LC Collateral Account</u>"), an amount in cash equal to 103% of the LC Exposure as of such date plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon; <u>provided</u> that the obligation to deposit such cash collateral shall become effective immediately, and such deposit shall become immediately due and payable, without demand or other notice of any kind, upon the occurrence of any Event of Default with respect to any Borrower described in <u>clause (h)</u> or <u>(i)</u> of <u>Article VII</u>. Such deposit shall be held by the Administrative Agent as collateral for the payment and performance of the Secured Obligations. The Administrative Agent shall have exclusive dominion and control, including the exclusive right of withdrawal, over the LC Collateral Account and the Borrowers hereby grant the Administrative Agent a security interest in the LC Collateral Account and all money or other assets on deposit therein or credited thereto.

Other than any interest earned on the investment of such deposits, which investments shall be made at the option and sole discretion of the Administrative Agent and at the Borrowers' risk and expense, such deposits shall not bear interest. Interest or profits, if any, on such investments shall accumulate in the LC Collateral Account. Subject to the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement, moneys in the LC Collateral Account shall be applied by the Administrative Agent to reimburse the Issuing Bank for LC Disbursements for which it has not been reimbursed and, to the extent not so applied, shall be held for the satisfaction of the reimbursement obligations of the Borrowers for the LC Exposure at such time or, if the maturity of the Loans has been accelerated (but subject to the consent of Required Lenders), be applied to satisfy other Secured Obligations. Subject to the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement, if the Borrowers are required to provide an amount of cash collateral hereunder as a result of the occurrence of an Event of Default, such amount (to the extent not applied as aforesaid) shall be returned to the Borrowers within three (3) Business Days after all such Events of Default have been cured or waived as confirmed in writing by the Administrative Agent.

- (k) <u>Issuing Bank Reports to the Administrative Agent.</u> Unless otherwise agreed by the Administrative Agent, each Issuing Bank shall, in addition to its notification obligations set forth elsewhere in this Section, report in writing to the Administrative Agent (i) periodic activity (for such period or recurrent periods as shall be requested by the Administrative Agent) in respect of Letters of Credit issued by such Issuing Bank, including all issuances, extensions, amendments and renewals, all expirations and cancelations and all disbursements and reimbursements, (ii) reasonably prior to the time that such Issuing Bank issues, amends, renews or extends any Letter of Credit, the date of such issuance, amendment, renewal or extension, and the stated amount of the Letters of Credit issued, amended, renewed or extended by it and outstanding after giving effect to such issuance, amendment, renewal or extension (and whether the amounts thereof shall have changed), (iii) on each Business Day on which such Issuing Bank makes any LC Disbursement, the date and amount of such LC Disbursement, (iv) on any Business Day on which a Borrower fails to reimburse an LC Disbursement required to be reimbursed to such Issuing Bank on such day, the date of such failure and the amount of such LC Disbursement, and (v) on any other Business Day, such other information as the Administrative Agent shall reasonably request as to the Letters of Credit issued by such Issuing Bank.
- (l) <u>LC Exposure Determination</u>. For all purposes of this Agreement, the amount of a Letter of Credit that, by its terms or the terms of any document related thereto, provides for one or more automatic increases in the stated amount thereof shall be deemed to be the maximum stated amount of such Letter of Credit after giving effect to all such increases, whether or not such maximum stated amount is in effect at the time of determination.
- SECTION 2.07 <u>Funding of Borrowings.</u> (a) Each Lender shall make each Loan to be made by such Lender hereunder on the proposed date thereof by wire transfer of immediately available funds by 11:00 a.m., New York City time, to the account of the Administrative Agent most recently designated by it for such purpose by notice to the Lenders in an amount equal to such Lender's Applicable Percentage of such Loan; <u>provided</u> that Swingline Loans shall be made as provided in <u>Section 2.05</u>. The Administrative Agent will make such Loans available to the Borrower Representative by promptly crediting the amounts so received, in like funds, to an account of the Borrower Representative maintained with the Administrative Agent or as otherwise designated in the Borrowing Request; <u>provided</u> that ABR Revolving Loans made to finance the reimbursement of (i) an LC Disbursement as provided in <u>Section 2.06(e)</u> shall be remitted by the Administrative Agent to the Issuing Bank and (ii) a Protective Advance or an Overadvance shall be retained by the Administrative Agent.
- (b) Unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from a Lender prior to the proposed date of any Borrowing that such Lender will not make available to the Administrative Agent such Lender's share of such Borrowing, the Administrative Agent may assume that such Lender has made such share available on such date in accordance with <u>paragraph (a)</u> of this Section and may, in reliance upon such assumption, make available to the applicable Borrower a corresponding amount.

In such event, if a Lender has not in fact made its share of the applicable Borrowing available to the Administrative Agent, then the applicable Lender and the Borrowers severally agree to pay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand such corresponding amount with interest thereon, for each day from and including the date such amount is made available to the applicable Borrower to but excluding the date of payment to the Administrative Agent, at (i) in the case of such Lender, the greater of the Federal Funds Effective Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation or (ii) in the case of the Borrowers, the interest rate applicable to ABR Loans. If such Lender pays such amount to the Administrative Agent, then such amount shall constitute such Lender's Loan included in such Borrowing.

SECTION 2.08 Interest Elections. (a) Each Borrowing initially shall be of the Type specified in the applicable Borrowing Request and, in the case of a Eurodollar Borrowing, shall have an initial Interest Period as specified in such Borrowing Request. Thereafter, the Borrower Representative may elect to convert such Borrowing to a different Type or to continue such Borrowing and, in the case of a Eurodollar Borrowing, may elect Interest Periods therefor, all as provided in this Section. The Borrower Representative may elect different options with respect to different portions of the affected Borrowing, in which case each such portion shall be allocated ratably among the Lenders holding the Loans comprising such Borrowing, and the Loans comprising each such portion shall be considered a separate Borrowing. This Section shall not apply to Swingline Borrowings, Overadvances or Protective Advances, which may not be converted or continued.

- (b) To make an election pursuant to this Section, the Borrower Representative shall notify the Administrative Agent of such election by telephone or through Electronic System, if arrangements for doing so have been approved by the Administrative Agent, by the time that a Borrowing Request would be required under Section 2.03 if the Borrowers were requesting a Revolving Borrowing of the Type resulting from such election to be made on the effective date of such election. Each such telephonic Interest Election Request shall be irrevocable and shall be confirmed promptly by hand delivery or facsimile to the Administrative Agent of a written Interest Election Request in a form approved by the Administrative Agent and signed by the Borrower Representative. Notwithstanding any contrary provision herein, this Section shall not be construed to permit the Borrower Representative to elect an Interest Period for Eurodollar Loans that does not comply with Section 2.02.
- (c) Each telephonic and written Interest Election Request (including requests submitted through Electronic System) shall specify the following information in compliance with Section 2.02:
 - (i) the name of the applicable Borrower and the Borrowing to which such Interest Election Request applies and, if different options are being elected with respect to different portions thereof, the portions thereof to be allocated to each resulting Borrowing (in which case the information to be specified pursuant to <u>clauses (iii)</u> and <u>(iv)</u> below shall be specified for each resulting Borrowing);
 - (ii) the effective date of the election made pursuant to such Interest Election Request, which shall be a Business Day;
 - (iii) whether the resulting Borrowing is to be an ABR Borrowing or a Eurodollar Borrowing; and

(iv) if the resulting Borrowing is a Eurodollar Borrowing, the Interest Period to be applicable thereto after giving effect to such election, which shall be a period contemplated by the definition of the term "Interest Period".

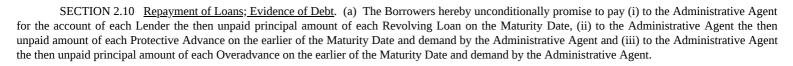
If any such Interest Election Request requests a Eurodollar Borrowing but does not specify an Interest Period, then the Borrowers shall be deemed to have selected an Interest Period of one month's duration.

- (d) Promptly following receipt of an Interest Election Request, the Administrative Agent shall advise each Lender of the details thereof and of such Lender's portion of each resulting Borrowing.
- (e) If the Borrower Representative fails to deliver a timely Interest Election Request with respect to a Eurodollar Revolving Borrowing prior to the end of the Interest Period applicable thereto, then, unless such Borrowing is repaid as provided herein, at the end of such Interest Period such Borrowing shall be converted to an ABR Borrowing. Notwithstanding any contrary provision hereof, if a Default has occurred and is continuing and the Administrative Agent, at the request of the Required Lenders, so notifies the Borrower Representative, then, so long as a Default is continuing (i) no outstanding Borrowing may be converted to or continued as a Eurodollar Borrowing and (ii) unless repaid, each Eurodollar Borrowing shall be converted to an ABR Borrowing at the end of the Interest Period applicable thereto.

SECTION 2.09 <u>Termination and Reduction of Commitments; Increase in Commitments</u>. (a) Unless previously terminated, the Commitments shall terminate on the Maturity Date.

- (b) The Borrowers may at any time terminate the Commitments upon (i) the payment in full of all outstanding Loans, together with accrued and unpaid interest thereon and on any Letters of Credit, (ii) the cancellation and return of all outstanding Letters of Credit (or alternatively, with respect to each such Letter of Credit, the furnishing to the Administrative Agent of a cash deposit (or at the discretion of the Administrative Agent a back-up standby letter of credit satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and Issuing Bank) equal to 103% of the LC Exposure as of such date), (iii) the payment in full of the accrued and unpaid fees, and (iv) the payment in full of all reimbursable expenses and other Obligations, together with accrued and unpaid interest thereon.
- (c) The Borrowers may from time to time reduce the Commitments; <u>provided</u> that (i) each reduction of the Commitments shall be in an amount that is an integral multiple of \$2,500,000 and not less than \$2,500,000; (ii) the Borrowers shall not terminate or reduce the Commitments if, after giving effect to any concurrent prepayment of the Revolving Loans in accordance with Section 2.10, the Aggregate Revolving Exposure would exceed the lesser of the Aggregate Commitment and the Borrowing Base; and (iii) any such reduction shall be permanent.
- (d) The Borrower Representative shall notify the Administrative Agent of any election to terminate or reduce the Commitments under the foregoing paragraphs of this Section at least three (3) Business Days prior to the effective date of such termination or reduction, specifying such election and the effective date thereof. Promptly following receipt of any such notice, the Administrative Agent shall advise the Lenders of the contents thereof. Each notice delivered by the Borrower Representative pursuant to this Section shall be irrevocable; provided that a notice of termination of the Commitments delivered by the Borrower Representative may state that such notice is conditioned upon the effectiveness of other credit facilities, in which case such notice may be revoked by the Borrower Representative (by notice to the Administrative Agent on or prior to the specified effective date) if such condition is not satisfied. Any termination or reduction of the Commitments shall be permanent. Each reduction of the Commitments shall be made ratably among the Lenders in accordance with their respective Commitments.

- (e) The Borrowers shall have the right to increase the Commitments by obtaining additional Commitments, either from one or more of the Lenders or another lending institution <u>provided</u> that (i) any such request for an increase shall be in a minimum amount of \$5,000,000 (or such lesser amount that represents all remaining availability hereunder), (ii) after giving effect thereto, the sum of the total of the additional Commitments does not exceed \$25,000,000, (iii) the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank(s) have approved the identity of any such new Lender, such approvals not to be unreasonably withheld, (iv) any such new Lender assumes all of the rights and obligations of a "Lender" hereunder, and (v) the procedure described in Section 2.09(f) have been satisfied. Nothing contained in this Section 2.09 shall constitute, or otherwise be deemed to be, a commitment on the part of any Lender to increase its Commitment hereunder at any time.
- (f) Any amendment hereto for such an increase or addition shall be in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and shall only require the written signatures of the Administrative Agent, the Borrowers and each Lender being added or increasing its Commitment. As a condition precedent to such an increase or addition, the Borrowers shall deliver to the Administrative Agent (i) a certificate of each Loan Party signed by an authorized officer of such Loan Party (A) certifying and attaching the resolutions adopted by such Loan Party approving or consenting to such increase, and (B) in the case of the Borrowers, certifying that, before and after giving effect to such increase or addition, (1) the representations and warranties contained in Article III and the other Loan Documents are true and correct in all material respects (provided that any representation or warranty that is qualified by materiality or Material Adverse Effect is true and correct in all material respects (provided that any representation or warranty that is qualified by materiality or Material Adverse Effect are true and correct in all material respects (provided that any representation or warranty that is qualified by materiality or Material Adverse Effect are true and correct in all respects) as of such earlier date, (2) no Default exists and (3) the Borrowers are in compliance (on a pro forma basis) with the covenant contained in Section 6.12 (calculated assuming an FCCR Test Period is then in effect) and (ii) legal opinions and documents consistent with those delivered on the Effective Date, to the extent reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent.
- (g) On the effective date of any such increase or addition, (i) any Lender increasing (or, in the case of any newly added Lender, extending) its Commitment shall make available to the Administrative Agent such amounts in immediately available funds as the Administrative Agent shall determine, for the benefit of the other Lenders, as being required in order to cause, after giving effect to such increase or addition and the use of such amounts to make payments to such other Lenders, each Lender's portion of the outstanding Revolving Loans of all the Lenders to equal its revised Applicable Percentage of such outstanding Revolving Loans, and the Administrative Agent shall make such other adjustments among the Lenders with respect to the Revolving Loans then outstanding and amounts of principal, interest, commitment fees and other amounts paid or payable with respect thereto as shall be necessary, in the opinion of the Administrative Agent, in order to effect such reallocation and (ii) the Borrowers shall be deemed to have repaid and reborrowed all outstanding Revolving Loans as of the date of any increase (or addition) in the Commitments (with such reborrowing to consist of the Types of Revolving Loans, with related Interest Periods if applicable, specified in a notice delivered by the Borrower Representative, in accordance with the requirements of Section 2.03). The deemed payments made pursuant to clause (ii) of the immediately preceding sentence shall be accompanied by payment of all accrued interest on the amount prepaid and, in respect of each Eurodollar Loan, shall be subject to indemnification by the Borrowers pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.16 if the deemed payment occurs other than on the last day of the related Interest Periods. Within a reasonable time after the effective date of any increase or addition, the Administrative Agent shall, and is hereby authorized and directed to, revise the Commitment Schedule to reflect such increase or addition and shall distribute such revised Commitment Schedule to each of the Lenders and the Borrower Representative, whereupon such revised Commitment Schedule shall replace the old Commitment Schedule and become part of this Agreement.



- (b) At all times that full cash dominion is in effect pursuant to Section 7.3 of the Security Agreement, on each Business Day, the Administrative Agent shall apply all funds credited to the Collection Account on such Business Day or the immediately preceding Business Day (at the discretion of the Administrative Agent, whether or not immediately available) <u>first</u> to prepay any Protective Advances and Overadvances that may be outstanding, pro rata, and <u>second</u> to prepay the Revolving Loans (including Swingline Loans) and to cash collateralize outstanding LC Exposure.
- (c) Each Lender shall maintain in accordance with its usual practice an account or accounts evidencing the indebtedness of the Borrowers to such Lender resulting from each Loan made by such Lender, including the amounts of principal and interest payable and paid to such Lender from time to time hereunder.
- (d) The Administrative Agent shall maintain accounts in which it shall record (i) the amount of each Loan made hereunder, the Class and Type thereof and the Interest Period applicable thereto, (ii) the amount of any principal or interest due and payable or to become due and payable from the Borrowers to each Lender hereunder and (iii) the amount of any sum received by the Administrative Agent hereunder for the account of the Lenders and each Lender's share thereof.
- (e) The entries made in the accounts maintained pursuant to <u>paragraphs</u> (c) or (d) of this Section shall be <u>prima facie</u> evidence of the existence and amounts of the obligations recorded therein; <u>provided</u> that the failure of any Lender or the Administrative Agent to maintain such accounts or any error therein shall not in any manner affect the obligation of the Borrowers to repay the Loans in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- (f) Any Lender may request that Loans made by it be evidenced by a promissory note. In such event, the Borrowers shall prepare, execute and deliver to such Lender a promissory note payable to the order of such Lender (or, if requested by such Lender, to such Lender and its registered assigns) and in a form approved by the Administrative Agent. Thereafter, the Loans evidenced by such promissory note and interest thereon shall at all times (including after assignment pursuant to Section 9.04) be represented by one or more promissory notes in such form.
- SECTION 2.11 <u>Prepayment of Loans</u>. (a) The Borrowers shall have the right at any time and from time to time to prepay any Borrowing in whole or in part, subject to prior notice in accordance with <u>paragraph (c)</u> of this Section and, if applicable, payment of any break funding expenses under Section 2.16.
- (b) Except for Overadvances permitted under Section 2.05, in the event and on such occasion that the Aggregate Revolving Exposure exceeds the lesser of (A) the Aggregate Commitment and (B) the Borrowing Base, the Borrowers shall prepay the Revolving Loans, LC Exposure and/or Swingline Loans or cash collateralize LC Exposure in an account with the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 2.06(j), as applicable, in an aggregate amount equal to such excess.
- (c) The Borrower Representative shall notify the Administrative Agent (and, in the case of prepayment of a Swingline Loan, the Swingline Lender) by telephone (confirmed by facsimile) or through Electronic System, if arrangements for doing so have been approved by the Administrative Agent, of any prepayment hereunder not later than 10:00 a.m., New York City time, (A) in the case of prepayment of a Eurodollar Borrowing, three (3) Business Days before the date of prepayment or (B) in the case of prepayment of an ABR Borrowing, one (1) Business Day before the date of prepayment.

Each such notice shall be irrevocable and shall specify the prepayment date and the principal amount of each Borrowing or portion thereof to be prepaid; provided that if a notice of prepayment is given in connection with a conditional notice of termination of the Commitments as contemplated by Section 2.09, then such notice of prepayment may be revoked if such notice of termination is revoked in accordance with Section 2.09. Promptly following receipt of any such notice relating to a Borrowing, the Administrative Agent shall advise the Lenders of the contents thereof. Each partial prepayment of any Revolving Borrowing shall be in an amount that would be permitted in the case of an advance of a Revolving Borrowing of the same Type as provided in Section 2.02. Each prepayment of a Revolving Borrowing shall be applied ratably to the Revolving Loans included in the prepaid Borrowing. Prepayments shall be accompanied by accrued interest to the extent required by Section 2.13 and amounts due under Section 2.16.

SECTION 2.12 Fees. (a) The Borrowers agree to pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Lender a commitment fee, which shall accrue at the Applicable Commitment Fee Rate on the average daily amount of the Available Commitment of such Lender during the period from and including the Effective Date to but excluding the date on which the Lenders' Commitments terminate. Accrued commitment fees shall be payable in arrears on the first Business Day of each January, April, July and October (commencing on the first such date to occur after the Effective Date) and on the date on which the Commitments terminate. All commitment fees shall be computed on the basis of a year of 360 days and shall be payable for the actual number of days elapsed (including the first day but excluding the last day).

- (b) The Borrowers agree to pay (i) to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Lender a participation fee with respect to its participations in Letters of Credit, which shall accrue at the same Applicable Rate used to determine the interest rate applicable to Eurodollar Revolving Loans on the average daily amount of such Lender's LC Exposure (excluding any portion thereof attributable to unreimbursed LC Disbursements) during the period from and including the Effective Date to but excluding the later of the date on which such Lender's Commitment terminates and the date on which such Lender ceases to have any LC Exposure, and (ii) to the Issuing Bank, for its own account, a fronting fee, which shall accrue at the rate of 0.25% per annum on the average daily amount of the LC Exposure (excluding any portion thereof attributable to unreimbursed LC Disbursements) during the period from and including the Effective Date to but excluding the later of the date of termination of the Commitments and the date on which there ceases to be any LC Exposure, as well as the Issuing Bank's standard fees and commissions with respect to the issuance, amendment, cancellation, negotiation, transfer, presentment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit or processing of drawings thereunder. Participation fees and fronting fees accrued through and including the last day of each Fiscal Quarter shall be payable on the first Business Day of each Fiscal Quarter following such last day, commencing on the first such date to occur after the Effective Date; provided that all such fees shall be payable on the date on which the Commitments terminate and any such fees accruing after the date on which the Commitments terminate shall be payable on demand. Any other fees payable to the Issuing Bank pursuant to this paragraph shall be payable within ten (10) days after demand. All participation fees and fronting fees shall be computed on the basis of a year of 360 days and shall be payable for the actual number of days elapsed (including t
- (c) The Borrowers agree to pay to the Administrative Agent, for its own account, fees payable in the amounts and at the times separately agreed upon between the Borrowers and the Administrative Agent.

- (d) All fees payable hereunder shall be paid on the dates due, in immediately available funds, to the Administrative Agent (or to the Issuing Bank, in the case of fees payable to it) for distribution, in the case of commitment fees and participation fees, to the Lenders. Fees paid shall not be refundable under any circumstances.
- SECTION 2.13 Interest. (a) The Loans comprising each ABR Borrowing (including each Swingline Loan) shall bear interest at the Alternate Base Rate plus the Applicable Rate.
- (b) The Loans comprising each Eurodollar Borrowing shall bear interest at the Adjusted LIBO Rate for the Interest Period in effect for such Borrowing plus the Applicable Rate.
- (c) Each Protective Advance and each Overadvance shall bear interest at the Alternate Base Rate <u>plus</u> the Applicable Rate for Revolving Loans <u>plus</u> 2%.
- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, during the occurrence and continuance of an Event of Default, the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders may, at their option, by notice to the Borrower Representative (which notice may be revoked at the option of the Required Lenders notwithstanding any provision of Section 9.02 requiring the consent of "each Lender affected thereby" for reductions in interest rates), declare that (i) all Loans shall bear interest at 2% plus the rate otherwise applicable to such Loans as provided in the preceding paragraphs of this Section or (ii) in the case of any other amount outstanding hereunder, such amount shall accrue at 2% plus the rate applicable to such fee or other obligation as provided hereunder; provided that no notice shall be required and the foregoing rates shall automatically take effect upon the occurrence of an Event of Default under clause (a), (h), (i) or (j) of Article VII.
- (e) Accrued interest on each Loan (for ABR Loans, accrued through the last day of the prior calendar month) shall be payable in arrears on each Interest Payment Date for such Loan and upon termination of the Commitments; <u>provided</u> that (i) interest accrued pursuant to <u>paragraph (d)</u> of this Section shall be payable on demand, (ii) in the event of any repayment or prepayment of any Loan (other than a prepayment of an ABR Revolving Loan prior to the end of the Availability Period), accrued interest on the principal amount repaid or prepaid shall be payable on the date of such repayment or prepayment and (iii) in the event of any conversion of any Eurodollar Loan prior to the end of the current Interest Period therefor, accrued interest on such Loan shall be payable on the effective date of such conversion.
- (f) All interest hereunder shall be computed on the basis of a year of 360 days, except that interest computed by reference to the Alternate Base Rate at times when the Alternate Base Rate is based on the Prime Rate shall be computed on the basis of a year of 365 days (or 366 days in a leap year), and in each case shall be payable for the actual number of days elapsed (including the first day but excluding the last day). The applicable Alternate Base Rate, Adjusted LIBO Rate or LIBO Rate shall be determined by the Administrative Agent, and such determination shall be conclusive absent manifest error.

SECTION 2.14 Alternate Rate of Interest. If prior to the commencement of any Interest Period for a Eurodollar Borrowing:

(a) the Administrative Agent determines (which determination shall be conclusive and binding absent manifest error) that adequate and reasonable means do not exist for ascertaining, (including, without limitation, by means of an Interpolated Rate) the Adjusted LIBO Rate or the LIBO Rate, as applicable, for such Interest Period; or

(b) the Administrative Agent is advised by the Required Lenders that the Adjusted LIBO Rate or the LIBO Rate, as applicable, for the applicable Interest Period will not adequately and fairly reflect the cost to such Lenders (or Lender) of making or maintaining their Loans (or its Loan) included in such Borrowing for such Interest Period;

then the Administrative Agent shall give notice thereof to the Borrower Representative and the Lenders through Electronic System as provided in Section 9.01 as promptly as practicable thereafter and, until the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower Representative and the Lenders that the circumstances giving rise to such notice no longer exist, (i) any Interest Election Request that requests the conversion of any Borrowing to, or continuation of any Borrowing as, a Eurodollar Borrowing shall be ineffective and any such Eurodollar Borrowing shall be repaid on the last day of the then current Interest Period applicable thereto, and (ii) if any Borrowing Request requests a Eurodollar Borrowing, such Borrowing shall be made as an ABR Borrowing.

SECTION 2.15 <u>Increased Costs</u>. (a) If any Change in Law shall:

- (i) impose, modify or deem applicable any reserve, special deposit, liquidity or similar requirement (including any compulsory loan requirement, insurance charge or other assessment) against assets of, deposits with or for the account of, or credit extended by, any Lender (except any such reserve requirement reflected in the Adjusted LIBO Rate) or the Issuing Bank;
- (ii) impose on any Lender or the Issuing Bank or the London interbank market any other condition, cost or expense (other than Taxes) affecting this Agreement or Loans made by such Lender or any Letter of Credit or participation therein; or
- (i) subject any Recipient to any Taxes (other than (A) Indemnified Taxes, (B) Taxes described in clauses (b) through (d) of the definition of Excluded Taxes and (C) Connection Income Taxes) on its loans, loan principal, letters of credit, commitments, or other obligations, or its deposits, reserves, other liabilities or capital attributable thereto;

and the result of any of the foregoing shall be to increase the cost to such Lender or such other Recipient of making, continuing, converting into or maintaining any Loan (or of maintaining its obligation to make any such Loan) or to increase the cost to such Lender, the Issuing Bank or such other Recipient of participating in, issuing or maintaining any Letter of Credit or to reduce the amount of any sum received or receivable by such Lender, the Issuing Bank or such other Recipient hereunder (whether of principal, interest or otherwise), then the Borrowers will pay to such Lender, the Issuing Bank or such other Recipient, as the case may be, such additional amount or amounts as will compensate such Lender, the Issuing Bank or such other Recipient, as the case may be, for such additional costs incurred or reduction suffered.

(b) If any Lender or the Issuing Bank determines that any Change in Law regarding capital or liquidity requirements has or would have the effect of reducing the rate of return on such Lender's or the Issuing Bank's capital or on the capital of such Lender's or the Issuing Bank's holding company, if any, as a consequence of this Agreement, the Commitments of, or the Loans made by, or participations in Letters of Credit held by, such Lender, or the Letters of Credit issued by the Issuing Bank, to a level below that which such Lender or the Issuing Bank or such Lender's or the Issuing Bank's holding company could have achieved but for such Change in Law (taking into consideration such Lender's or the Issuing Bank's holding company with respect to capital adequacy and liquidity), then from time to time the Borrowers will pay to such Lender or the Issuing Bank, as the case may be, such additional amount or amounts as will compensate such Lender or the Issuing Bank or such Lender's or the Issuing Bank's holding company for any such reduction suffered.

- (c) A certificate of a Lender or the Issuing Bank setting forth the amount or amounts necessary to compensate such Lender or the Issuing Bank or its holding company, as the case may be, as specified in paragraph(a) or (b) of this Section shall be delivered to the Borrower Representative and shall be conclusive absent manifest error. The Borrowers shall pay such Lender or the Issuing Bank, as the case may be, the amount shown as due on any such certificate within ten (10) days after receipt thereof.
- (d) Failure or delay on the part of any Lender or the Issuing Bank to demand compensation pursuant to this Section shall not constitute a waiver of such Lender's or the Issuing Bank's right to demand such compensation; <u>provided</u> that the Borrowers shall not be required to compensate a Lender or the Issuing Bank pursuant to this Section for any increased costs or reductions incurred more than 180 days prior to the date that such Lender or the Issuing Bank, as the case may be, notifies the Borrower Representative of the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions and of such Lender's or the Issuing Bank's intention to claim compensation therefor; <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that if the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions is retroactive, then the 180-day period referred to above shall be extended to include the period of retroactive effect thereof.

SECTION 2.16 <u>Break Funding Payments</u>. In the event of (a) the payment of any principal of any Eurodollar Loan other than on the last day of an Interest Period applicable thereto (including as a result of an Event of Default or as a result of any prepayment pursuant to Section 2.11), (b) the conversion of any Eurodollar Loan other than on the last day of the Interest Period applicable thereto, (c) the failure to borrow, convert, continue or prepay any Eurodollar Loan on the date specified in any notice delivered pursuant hereto (regardless of whether such notice may be revoked under <u>Section 2.09(d)</u> and is revoked in accordance therewith), or (d) the assignment of any Eurodollar Loan other than on the last day of the Interest Period applicable thereto as a result of a request by the Borrower Representative pursuant to <u>Section 2.19</u> or <u>9.02(e)</u>, then, in any such event, the Borrowers shall compensate each Lender for the loss, cost and expense attributable to such event. In the case of a Eurodollar Loan, such loss, cost or expense to any Lender shall be deemed to include an amount determined by such Lender to be the excess, if any, of (i) the amount of interest which would have accrued on the principal amount of such Eurodollar Loan had such event not occurred, at the Adjusted LIBO Rate that would have been applicable to such Eurodollar Loan, for the period from the date of such event to the last day of the then current Interest Period therefor (or, in the case of a failure to borrow, convert or continue, for the period that would have been the Interest Period for such Eurodollar Loan), over (ii) the amount of interest which would accrue on such principal amount for such period at the interest rate which such Lender would bid were it to bid, at the commencement of such period, for Dollar deposits of a comparable amount and period from other banks in the eurodollar market. A certificate of any Lender setting forth any amount or amounts that such Lender is entitled to receive pursuant to this Section shall be de

SECTION 2.17 Withholding of Taxes; Gross-Up.

(a) Payments Free of Taxes. Any and all payments by or on account of any obligation of any Loan Party under any Loan Document shall be made without deduction or withholding for any Taxes, except as required by applicable law. If any applicable law (as determined in the good faith discretion of an applicable withholding agent) requires the deduction or withholding of any Tax from any such payment by a withholding agent, then the applicable withholding agent shall be entitled to make such deduction or withholding and shall timely pay the full amount deducted or withheld to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with applicable law and, if such Tax is an Indemnified Tax, then the sum payable by the applicable Loan Party shall be increased as necessary so that after such deduction or withholding for Indemnified Taxes has been made (including such deductions and withholdings applicable to additional sums payable under this Section 2.17) the applicable Recipient receives an amount equal to the sum it would have received had no such deduction or withholding been made..

- (b) <u>Payment of Other Taxes by the Borrowers</u>. The Loan Parties shall timely pay to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with applicable law, or at the option of the Administrative Agent timely reimburse it for, Other Taxes.
- (c) <u>Evidence of Payments</u>. As soon as practicable after any payment of Taxes by any Loan Party to a Governmental Authority pursuant to this Section 2.17, such Loan Party shall deliver to the Administrative Agent the original or a certified copy of a receipt issued by such Governmental Authority evidencing such payment, a copy of the return reporting such payment or other evidence of such payment reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.
- Indemnification by the Loan Parties. The Loan Parties shall jointly and severally indemnify each Recipient, within ten (10) days after demand therefor, for the full amount of any Indemnified Taxes (including Indemnified Taxes imposed or asserted on or attributable to amounts payable under this Section) payable or paid by such Recipient or required to be withheld or deducted from a payment to such Recipient and any reasonable expenses arising therefrom or with respect thereto, whether or not such Indemnified Taxes were correctly or legally imposed or asserted by the relevant Governmental Authority. A certificate as to the amount of such payment or liability, including a description of the basis for the indemnification claim to the extent reasonably available, delivered to any Loan Party by a Lender (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), or by the Administrative Agent on its own behalf or on behalf of a Lender, shall be conclusive absent manifest error
- (e) <u>Indemnification by the Lenders</u>. Each Lender shall severally indemnify the Administrative Agent, within ten (10) days after demand therefor, for (i) any Indemnified Taxes attributable to such Lender (but only to the extent that any Loan Party has not already indemnified the Administrative Agent for such Indemnified Taxes and without limiting the obligation of the Loan Parties to do so), (ii) any Taxes attributable to such Lender's failure to comply with the provisions of Section 9.04(c) relating to the maintenance of a Participant Register and (iii) any Excluded Taxes attributable to such Lender, in each case, that are payable or paid by the Administrative Agent in connection with any Loan Document, and any reasonable expenses arising therefrom or with respect thereto, whether or not such Taxes were correctly or legally imposed or asserted by the relevant Governmental Authority. A certificate as to the amount of such payment or liability delivered to any Lender by the Administrative Agent shall be conclusive absent manifest error. Each Lender hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to set off and apply any and all amounts at any time owing to such Lender under any Loan Document or otherwise payable by the Administrative Agent to such Lender from any other source against any amount due to the Administrative Agent under this paragraph (e).

(f) Status of Lenders.

Any Lender that is entitled to an exemption from or reduction of withholding Tax with respect to payments made under any Loan Document shall deliver to the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent, at the time or times reasonably requested by the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent, such properly completed and executed documentation reasonably requested by the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent as will permit such payments to be made without withholding or at a reduced rate of withholding. In addition, any Lender, if reasonably requested by the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent, shall deliver such other documentation prescribed by applicable law or reasonably requested by the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent as will enable the Borrowers or the Administrative Agent to determine whether or not such Lender is subject to backup withholding or information reporting requirements.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the preceding two sentences, the completion, execution and submission of such documentation (other than such documentation set forth in Section 2.17(f)(ii)(A), (ii)(B) and (ii)(D) below) shall not be required if in the Lender's reasonable judgment such completion, execution or submission would subject such Lender to any material unreimbursed cost or expense or would materially prejudice the legal or commercial position of such Lender.

- (ii) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, in the event that any Borrower is a U.S. Person,
- (A) any Lender that is a U.S. Person shall deliver to the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent on or prior to the date on which such Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent), an executed IRS Form W-9 certifying that such Lender is exempt from U.S. Federal backup withholding tax;
- (B) any Foreign Lender shall, to the extent it is legally entitled to do so, deliver to the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent (in such number of copies as shall be requested by the recipient) on or prior to the date on which such Foreign Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent), whichever of the following is applicable:
 - (1) in the case of a Foreign Lender claiming the benefits of an income tax treaty to which the United States is a party (x) with respect to payments of interest under any Loan Document, an executed IRS Form W-8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E, as applicable, establishing an exemption from, or reduction of, U.S. Federal withholding Tax pursuant to the "interest" article of such tax treaty and (y) with respect to any other applicable payments under any Loan Document, IRS Form W-8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E, as applicable, establishing an exemption from, or reduction of, U.S. Federal withholding Tax pursuant to the "business profits" or "other income" article of such tax treaty;
 - (2) in the case of a Foreign Lender claiming that its extension of credit will generate U.S. effectively connected income, an executed IRS Form W-8ECI;
 - (3) in the case of a Foreign Lender claiming the benefits of the exemption for portfolio interest under Section 881(c) of the Code, (x) a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit G-1 to the effect that such Foreign Lender is not a "bank" within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code, a "10 percent shareholder" of a Borrower within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(B) of the Code, or a "controlled foreign corporation" described in Section 881(c)(3)(C) of the Code (a "<u>U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate</u>") and (y) an executed IRS Form W-8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E, as applicable; or

(4) to the extent a Foreign Lender is not the Beneficial Owner, an executed IRS Form W-8IMY, accompanied by IRS Form W-8ECI, IRS Form W-8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E, as applicable, a U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit G-2 or Exhibit G-3, IRS Form W-9, and/or other certification documents from each Beneficial Owner, as applicable; provided that if the Foreign Lender is a partnership and one or more direct or indirect partners of such Foreign Lender are claiming the portfolio interest exemption, such Foreign Lender may provide a U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit G-4 on behalf of each such direct and indirect partner;

- (C) any Foreign Lender shall, to the extent it is legally entitled to do so, deliver to the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent (in such number of copies as shall be requested by the recipient) on or prior to the date on which such Foreign Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent), executed originals of any other form prescribed by applicable law as a basis for claiming exemption from or a reduction in U.S. Federal withholding Tax, duly completed, together with such supplementary documentation as may be prescribed by applicable law to permit the Borrowers or the Administrative Agent to determine the withholding or deduction required to be made; and
- (D) if a payment made to a Lender under any Loan Document would be subject to U.S. Federal withholding Tax imposed by FATCA if such Lender were to fail to comply with the applicable reporting requirements of FATCA (including those contained in Section 1471(b) or 1472(b) of the Code, as applicable), such Lender shall deliver to the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent at the time or times prescribed by law and at such time or times reasonably requested by the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent such documentation prescribed by applicable law (including as prescribed by Section 1471(b)(3)(C)(i) of the Code) and such additional documentation reasonably requested by the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent as may be necessary for the Borrowers and the Administrative Agent to comply with their obligations under FATCA and to determine that such Lender has complied with such Lender's obligations under FATCA or to determine the amount to deduct and withhold from such payment. Solely for purposes of this clause (D), "FATCA" shall include any amendments made to FATCA after the date of this Agreement.

Each Lender agrees that if any form or certification it previously delivered expires or becomes obsolete or inaccurate in any respect, it shall update such form or certification or promptly notify the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent in writing of its legal inability to do so.

(g) Treatment of Certain Refunds. If any party determines, in its sole discretion exercised in good faith, that it has received a refund of any Taxes as to which it has been indemnified pursuant to this Section 2.17 (including by the payment of additional amounts pursuant to this Section 2.17), it shall pay to the indemnifying party an amount equal to such refund (but only to the extent of indemnity payments made under this Section 2.17 with respect to the Taxes giving rise to such refund), net of all out-of-pocket expenses (including Taxes) of such indemnified party and without interest (other than any interest paid by the relevant Governmental Authority with respect to such refund).

Such indemnifying party, upon the request of such indemnified party, shall repay to such indemnified party the amount paid over pursuant to this paragraph (g) (plus any penalties, interest or other charges imposed by the relevant Governmental Authority) in the event that such indemnified party is required to repay such refund to such Governmental Authority. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this paragraph (g), in no event will the indemnified party be required to pay any amount to an indemnifying party pursuant to this paragraph (g) the payment of which would place the indemnified party in a less favorable net after-Tax position than the indemnified party would have been in if the Tax subject to indemnification and giving rise to such refund had not been deducted, withheld or otherwise imposed and the indemnification payments or additional amounts giving rise to such refund had never been paid. This paragraph (g) shall not be construed to require any indemnified party to make available its Tax returns (or any other information relating to its Taxes that it deems confidential) to the indemnifying party or any other Person.

- (h) <u>Survival</u>. Each party's obligations under this Section 2.17 shall survive the resignation or replacement of the Administrative Agent or any assignment of rights by, or the replacement of, a Lender, the termination of the Commitments and the repayment, satisfaction or discharge of all obligations under any Loan Document.
- (i) <u>Defined Terms</u>. For purposes of this Section 2.17, the term "Lender" includes any Issuing Bank and the term "applicable law" includes FATCA.

SECTION 2.18 <u>Payments Generally</u>; <u>Allocation of Proceeds</u>; <u>Sharing of Set-offs</u>. (a) The Borrowers shall make each payment required to be made by them hereunder (whether of principal, interest, fees or reimbursement of LC Disbursements, or of amounts payable under <u>Section 2.15</u>, <u>2.16</u> or <u>2.17</u>, or otherwise) prior to 4:00 p.m., New York City time, on the date when due, in immediately available funds, without set-off or counterclaim. Any amounts received after such time on any date may, in the discretion of the Administrative Agent, be deemed to have been received on the next succeeding Business Day for purposes of calculating interest thereon. All such payments shall be made to the Administrative Agent at its offices at 10 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois, or to the account designated by Administrative Agent, except payments to be made directly to the Issuing Bank or Swingline Lender as expressly provided herein and except that payments pursuant to <u>Section 2.15</u>, <u>2.16</u>, <u>2.17</u> and <u>9.03</u> shall be made directly to the Persons entitled thereto. The Administrative Agent shall distribute any such payments received by it for the account of any other Person to the appropriate recipient promptly following receipt thereof. If any payment hereunder shall be due on a day that is not a Business Day, the date for payment shall be extended to the next succeeding Business Day, and, in the case of any payment accruing interest, interest thereon shall accrue and be payable for the period of such extension. All payments hereunder shall be made in Dollars.

(b) Any proceeds of Collateral received by the Administrative Agent (i) not constituting either (A) a specific payment of principal, interest, fees or other sum payable under the Loan Documents (which shall be applied as specified by the Borrowers), (B) a mandatory prepayment (which shall be applied in accordance with Section 2.11) or (C) amounts to be applied from the Collection Account when full cash dominion is in effect (which shall be applied in accordance with Section 2.10(b)) or (ii) after an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, shall be applied, subject to the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement, ratably first, to pay any fees, indemnities, or expense reimbursements including amounts then due to the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank from the Borrowers (other than in connection with Banking Services Obligations), second, to pay any fees or expense reimbursements then due to the Lenders from the Borrowers (other than in connection with Banking Services Obligations or Swap Agreement Obligations), third, to pay interest due in respect of the Overadvances and Protective Advances, fourth, to pay the principal of the Overadvances and Protective Advances, fifth, to pay interest then due and payable on the Loans (other than the Overadvances and Protective Advances) ratably,

sixth, to prepay principal on the Loans (other than the Overadvances and Protective Advances) and unreimbursed LC Disbursements and to pay any amounts owing with respect to Swap Agreement Obligations up to and including the amount most recently provided to the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 2.22, for which Reserves have been established ratably, seventh, to pay an amount to the Administrative Agent equal to one hundred three percent (103%) of the aggregate undrawn face amount of all outstanding Letters of Credit and the aggregate amount of any unpaid LC Disbursements, to be held as cash collateral for such Obligations, eighth, to payment of any amounts owing with respect to Banking Services Obligations and Swap Agreement Obligations up to and including the amount most recently provided to the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 2.22, and to the extent not paid pursuant to clause sixth above, and ninth, to the payment of any other Secured Obligation due to the Administrative Agent or any Lender by the Borrowers. Notwithstanding the foregoing amounts received from any Loan Party shall not be applied to any Excluded Swap Obligation of such Loan Party. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, unless so directed by the Borrower Representative, or unless a Default is in existence, neither the Administrative Agent nor any Lender shall apply any payment which it receives to any Eurodollar Loan of a Class, except (a) on the expiration date of the Interest Period applicable thereto or (b) in the event, and only to the extent, that there are no outstanding ABR Loans of the same Class and, in any such event, the Borrowers shall pay the break funding payment required in accordance with Section 2.16. The Administrative Agent and the Lenders shall have the continuing and exclusive right to apply and reverse and reapply any and all such proceeds and payments to any portion of the Secured Obligations.

- At the election of the Administrative Agent, all payments of principal, interest, LC Disbursements, fees, premiums, reimbursable expenses (including, without limitation, all reimbursement for fees, costs and expenses pursuant to Section 9.03), and other sums payable under the Loan Documents, may be paid from the proceeds of Borrowings made hereunder whether made following a request by the Borrower Representative pursuant to Section 2.03 or a deemed request as provided in this Section or may be deducted from any deposit account of any Borrower maintained with the Administrative Agent. The Borrowers hereby irrevocably authorize (i) the Administrative Agent to make a Borrowing for the purpose of paying each payment of principal, interest and fees as it becomes due hereunder or any other amount due under the Loan Documents and agrees that all such amounts charged shall constitute Loans (including Swingline Loans and Overadvances, but such a Borrowing may only constitute a Protective Advance if it is to reimburse costs, fees and expenses as described in Section 9.03) and that all such Borrowings shall be deemed to have been requested pursuant to Section 2.03, 2.04 or 2.05, as applicable, and (ii) the Administrative Agent to charge any deposit account of any Borrower maintained with the Administrative Agent for each payment of principal, interest and fees as it becomes due hereunder or any other amount due under the Loan Documents.
- If, except as otherwise expressly provided herein, any Lender shall, by exercising any right of set-off or counterclaim or otherwise, obtain payment in respect of any principal of or interest on any of its Loans or participations in LC Disbursements resulting in such Lender receiving payment of a greater proportion of the aggregate amount of its Loans and participations in LC Disbursements and Swingline Loans and accrued interest thereon than the proportion received by any other similarly situated Lender, then the Lender receiving such greater proportion shall purchase (for cash at face value) participations in the Loans and participations in LC Disbursements and Swingline Loans of other Lenders to the extent necessary so that the benefit of all such payments shall be shared by all such Lenders ratably in accordance with the aggregate amount of principal of and accrued interest on their respective Loans and participations in LC Disbursements and Swingline Loans; provided that (i) if any such participations are purchased and all or any portion of the payment giving rise thereto is recovered, such participations shall be rescinded and the purchase price restored to the extent of such recovery, without interest, and (ii) the provisions of this paragraph shall not be construed to apply to any payment made by the Borrowers pursuant to and in accordance with the express terms of this Agreement or any payment obtained by a Lender as consideration for the assignment of or sale of a participation in any of its Loans or participations in LC Disbursements or Swingline Loans to any assignee or participant, other than to the Borrowers or any Subsidiary or Affiliate thereof (as to which the provisions of this paragraph shall apply).

Each Borrower consents to the foregoing and agrees, to the extent it may effectively do so under applicable law, that any Lender acquiring a participation pursuant to the foregoing arrangements may exercise against such Borrower rights of set-off and counterclaim with respect to such participation as fully as if such Lender were a direct creditor of such Borrower in the amount of such participation.

- (e) Unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from the Borrower Representative prior to the date on which any payment is due to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Lenders or the Issuing Bank hereunder that the Borrowers will not make such payment, the Administrative Agent may assume that the Borrowers have made such payment on such date in accordance herewith and may, in reliance upon such assumption, distribute to the Lenders or the Issuing Bank, as the case may be, the amount due. In such event, if the Borrowers have not in fact made such payment, then each of the Lenders or the Issuing Bank, as the case may be, severally agrees to repay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand the amount so distributed to such Lender or Issuing Bank with interest thereon, for each day from and including the date such amount is distributed to it to but excluding the date of payment to the Administrative Agent, at the greater of the Federal Funds Effective Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation.
- (f) If any Lender shall fail to make any payment required to be made by it hereunder, then the Administrative Agent may, in its discretion (notwithstanding any contrary provision hereof), (i) apply any amounts thereafter received by the Administrative Agent for the account of such Lender for the benefit of the Administrative Agent, the Swingline Lender or the Issuing Bank to satisfy such Lender's obligations under such Sections until all such unsatisfied obligations are fully paid and/or (ii) hold any such amounts in a segregated account as cash collateral for, and application to, any future funding obligations of such Lender hereunder. Application of amounts pursuant to (i) and (ii) above shall be made in any order determined by the Administrative Agent in its discretion.
- The Administrative Agent may from time to time provide the Borrowers with account statements or invoices with respect to any of the Secured Obligations (the "<u>Statements</u>"). The Administrative Agent is under no duty or obligation to provide Statements, which, if provided, will be solely for the Borrowers' convenience. Statements may contain estimates of the amounts owed during the relevant billing period, whether of principal, interest, fees or other Secured Obligations. If the Borrowers pay the full amount indicated on a Statement on or before the due date indicated on such Statement, the Borrowers shall not be in default of payment with respect to the billing period indicated on such Statement; provided, that acceptance by the Administrative Agent, on behalf of the Lenders, of any payment that is less than the total amount actually due at that time (including but not limited to any past due amounts) shall not constitute a waiver of the Administrative Agent's or the Lenders' right to receive payment in full at another time.

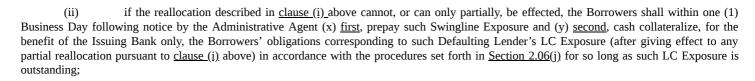
SECTION 2.19 <u>Mitigation Obligations; Replacement of Lenders.</u>

(a) If any Lender requests compensation under Section 2.15, or if the Borrowers are required to pay any Indemnified Taxes or additional amounts to any Lender or any Governmental Authority for the account of any Lender pursuant to Section 2.17, then such Lender shall use reasonable efforts to designate a different lending office for funding or booking its Loans hereunder or to assign its rights and obligations hereunder to another of its offices, branches or affiliates, if, in the judgment of such Lender, such designation or assignment (i) would eliminate or reduce amounts payable pursuant to Section 2.15 or 2.17, as the case may be, in the future and (ii) would not subject such Lender to any unreimbursed cost or expense and would not otherwise be disadvantageous to such Lender. The Borrowers hereby agree to pay all reasonable costs and expenses incurred by any Lender in connection with any such designation or assignment.

(b) If any Lender requests compensation under Section 2.15, or if the Borrowers are required to pay any Indemnified Taxes or additional
amounts to any Lender or any Governmental Authority for the account of any Lender pursuant to Section 2.17, or if any Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender
then the Borrowers may, at their sole expense and effort, upon notice to such Lender and the Administrative Agent, require such Lender to assign and
delegate, without recourse (in accordance with and subject to the restrictions contained in Section 9.04), all its interests, rights (other than its existing rights to
payments pursuant to Section 2.15 or 2.17) and obligations under this Agreement and other Loan Documents to an assignee that shall assume such obligations
(which assignee may be another Lender, if a Lender accepts such assignment); provided that (i) the Borrowers shall have received the prior written consent of
the Administrative Agent (and in circumstances where its consent would be required under Section 9.04, the Issuing Bank and the Swingline Lender), which
consent shall not unreasonably be withheld, (ii) such Lender shall have received payment of an amount equal to the outstanding principal of its Loans and
funded participations in LC Disbursements and Swingline Loans, accrued interest thereon, accrued fees and all other amounts payable to it hereunder, from
the assignee (to the extent of such outstanding principal and accrued interest and fees) or the Borrowers (in the case of all other amounts) and (iii) in the case
of any such assignment resulting from a claim for compensation under Section 2.15 or payments required to be made pursuant to Section 2.17, such
assignment will result in a reduction in such compensation or payments. A Lender shall not be required to make any such assignment and delegation if, prior
thereto, as a result of a waiver by such Lender or otherwise, the circumstances entitling the Borrowers to require such assignment and delegation cease to
apply.

SECTION 2.20 <u>Defaulting Lenders</u>. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, if any Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender, then the following provisions shall apply for so long as such Lender is a Defaulting Lender:

- (a) fees shall cease to accrue on the unfunded portion of the Commitment of such Defaulting Lender pursuant to Section 2.12(a);
- (b) such Defaulting Lender shall not have the right to vote on any issue on which voting is required (other than to the extent expressly provided in Section 9.02(b)) and the Commitment and Revolving Exposure of such Defaulting Lender shall not be included in determining whether the Required Lenders or the Supermajority Lenders have taken or may take any action hereunder (including any consent to any amendment, waiver or other modification pursuant to Section 9.02) or under any other Loan Document; <u>provided</u> that, except as otherwise provided in Section 9.02, this clause (b) shall not apply to the vote of a Defaulting Lender in the case of an amendment, waiver or other modification requiring the consent of such Lender or each Lender directly affected thereby;
 - (c) if any Swingline Exposure or LC Exposure exists at the time such Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender then:
 - (i) all or any part of the Swingline Exposure and LC Exposure of such Defaulting Lender shall be reallocated among the non-Defaulting Lenders in accordance with their respective Applicable Percentages but only (x) to the extent that the conditions set forth in Section 4.02 are satisfied at the time of such reallocation (and, unless the Borrower Representative shall have otherwise notified the Administrative Agent at such time, the Borrowers shall be deemed to have represented and warranted that such conditions are satisfied at such time) and (y) to the extent that such reallocation does not, as to any non-Defaulting Lender, cause such non-Defaulting Lender's Revolving Exposure and to exceed its Commitment;



- (iii) if the Borrowers cash collateralize any portion of such Defaulting Lender's LC Exposure pursuant to <u>clause (ii)</u> above, the Borrowers shall not be required to pay any fees to such Defaulting Lender pursuant to <u>Section 2.12(b)</u> with respect to such Defaulting Lender's LC Exposure during the period such Defaulting Lender's LC Exposure is cash collateralized;
- (iv) if the LC Exposure of the non-Defaulting Lenders is reallocated pursuant to <u>clause (i)</u> above, then the fees payable to the Lenders pursuant to <u>Sections 2.12(a)</u> and <u>2.12(b)</u> shall be adjusted in accordance with such non-Defaulting Lenders' Applicable Percentages; and
- (v) if all or any portion of such Defaulting Lender's LC Exposure is neither reallocated nor cash collateralized pursuant to <u>clause (i)</u> or (<u>ii)</u> above, then, without prejudice to any rights or remedies of the Issuing Bank or any other Lender hereunder, all letter of credit fees payable under <u>Section 2.12(b)</u> with respect to such Defaulting Lender's LC Exposure shall be payable to the Issuing Bank until and to the extent that such LC Exposure is reallocated and/or cash collateralized; and
- (d) so long as such Lender is a Defaulting Lender, the Swingline Lender shall not be required to fund any Swingline Loan and the Issuing Bank shall not be required to issue, amend, renew, extend or increase any Letter of Credit, unless it is satisfied that the related exposure and the Defaulting Lender's then outstanding LC Exposure will be 100% covered by the Commitments of the non-Defaulting Lenders and/or cash collateral will be provided by the Borrowers in accordance with Section 2.20(c), and participating interests in any such newly made Swingline Loan or any newly issued or increased Letter of Credit shall be allocated among non-Defaulting Lenders in a manner consistent with Section 2.20(c)(i) (and such Defaulting Lender shall not participate therein).
- If (i) a Bankruptcy Event or a Bail-In Action with respect to a Lender Parent shall occur following the Effective Date and for so long as such event shall continue or (ii) the Swingline Lender or the Issuing Bank has a good faith belief that any Lender has defaulted in fulfilling its obligations under one or more other agreements in which such Lender commits to extend credit, the Swingline Lender shall not be required to fund any Swingline Loan and the Issuing Bank shall not be required to issue, amend or increase any Letter of Credit, unless the Swingline Lender or the Issuing Bank, as the case may be, shall have entered into arrangements with the Borrowers or such Lender, satisfactory to the Swingline Lender or the Issuing Bank, as the case may be, to defease any risk to it in respect of such Lender hereunder.

In the event that each of the Administrative Agent, the Borrowers, the Issuing Bank and the Swingline Lender agrees that a Defaulting Lender has adequately remedied all matters that caused such Lender to be a Defaulting Lender, then the Swingline Exposure and LC Exposure of the Lenders shall be readjusted to reflect the inclusion of such Lender's Commitment and on the date of such readjustment such Lender shall purchase at par such of the Loans of the other Lenders (other than Swingline Loans) as the Administrative Agent shall determine may be necessary in order for such Lender to hold such Loans in accordance with its Applicable Percentage.

SECTION 2.21 Returned Payments. If after receipt of any payment which is applied to the payment of all or any part of the Obligations (including a payment effected through exercise of a right of setoff), the Administrative Agent or any Lender is for any reason compelled to surrender such payment or proceeds to any Person because such payment or application of proceeds is invalidated, declared fraudulent, set aside, determined to be void or voidable as a preference, impermissible setoff, or a diversion of trust funds, or for any other reason (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by the Administrative Agent or such Lender in its discretion), then the Obligations or part thereof intended to be satisfied shall be revived and continued and this Agreement shall continue in full force as if such payment or proceeds had not been received by the Administrative Agent or such Lender. The provisions of this Section 2.21 shall be and remain effective notwithstanding any contrary action which may have been taken by the Administrative Agent or any Lender in reliance upon such payment or application of proceeds. The provisions of this Section 2.21 shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

SECTION 2.22 <u>Banking Services and Swap Agreements</u>. Each Lender or Affiliate thereof providing Banking Services for, or having Swap Agreements with, any Loan Party or any Subsidiary or Affiliate of a Loan Party shall deliver to the Administrative Agent, promptly after entering into such Banking Services or Swap Agreements, written notice setting forth the aggregate amount of all Banking Services Obligations and Swap Agreement Obligations of such Loan Party or Subsidiary or Affiliate thereof to such Lender or Affiliate (whether matured or unmatured, absolute or contingent). In addition, each such Lender or Affiliate thereof shall deliver to the Administrative Agent, from time to time after a significant change therein or upon a request therefor, a summary of the amounts due or to become due in respect of such Banking Services Obligations and Swap Agreement Obligations. The most recent information provided to the Administrative Agent shall be used in determining the amounts to be applied in respect of such Banking Services Obligations and/or Swap Agreement Obligations pursuant to Section 2.18(b) and which tier of the waterfall, contained in Section 2.18(b), such Banking Services Obligations and/or Swap Agreement Obligations will be placed.

ARTICLE III.

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

Each Loan Party represents and warrants to the Lenders that:

SECTION 3.01 Organization; Powers. Each Loan Party and its Subsidiaries is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, has all requisite power and authority to carry on its business as now conducted and, except where the failure to do so, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, is qualified to do business in, and is in good standing in, every jurisdiction where such qualification is required.

SECTION 3.02 <u>Authorization; Enforceability.</u> The Transactions are within each Loan Party's organizational powers and have been duly authorized by all necessary organizational actions and, if required, actions by equity holders. The Loan Documents to which each Loan Party is a party have been duly executed and delivered by such Loan Party and constitute a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Loan Party, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other laws affecting creditors' rights generally and subject to general principles of equity, regardless of whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at law.

SECTION 3.03 Governmental Approvals; No Conflicts. The Transactions (a) do not require any consent or approval of, registration or filing with, or any other action by, any Governmental Authority, except such as have been obtained or made and are in full force and effect and except for filings necessary to perfect Liens created pursuant to the Loan Documents, (b) will not violate any Requirement of Law applicable to any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries, (c) will not violate or result in a default under any indenture, agreement or other instrument binding upon any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries or the assets of any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries, or give rise to a right thereunder to require any payment to be made by any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries, and (d) will not result in the creation or imposition of any Lien on any asset of any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries, except Liens created pursuant to the Loan Documents or, subject to the Intercreditor Agreement, the Term Loan Documents.

SECTION 3.04 <u>Financial Condition</u>; <u>No Material Adverse Change</u>. (a) Holdings has heretofore furnished to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders (i) the consolidated balance sheet and statements of income, stockholders equity and cash flows of Holdings and its consolidated Subsidiaries as of and for the Fiscal Year ended December 25, 2015, reported on by BDO USA, LLP, independent public accountants and (ii) the unaudited interim consolidated balance sheet of Holdings and its consolidated Subsidiaries dated March 25, 2016 and the related statements of income and cash flows for the three (3) fiscal months then ended. Such financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations and cash flows of Holdings and its consolidated Subsidiaries as of such date and for such period in accordance with GAAP, subject to year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes in the case of the statements referred to in <u>clause (ii)</u> above.

- (b) Holdings has heretofore furnished to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders projected balance sheets, income statements and statements of cash flows of Holdings and its Subsidiaries for Fiscal Years 2016 through 2020. Such projections were prepared in good faith based upon assumptions believed to be reasonable at the time delivered and, if such projected financial information was delivered prior to the Effective Date, as of the Effective Date, and Holdings is not aware of any facts or information that would lead it to believe that such projections are incorrect or misleading in any material respect.
- (c) No event, change or condition has occurred that has had, or could reasonably be expected to have, a Material Adverse Effect, since December 25, 2015.

SECTION 3.05 <u>Properties.</u> (a) As of the Effective Date, <u>Schedule 3.05</u> sets forth the address of each parcel of real property that is owned or leased by each Loan Party (and indicates whether any such real property constitutes an Excluded Asset). Each of such leases and subleases is valid and enforceable in accordance with its terms and is in full force and effect, and no default by any party to any such lease or sublease exists. Each of the Loan Parties and its Subsidiaries has good and indefeasible title to, or valid leasehold interests in, all of its real and personal property, free of all Liens (other than those permitted by Section 6.02). All such property is in good working order and condition, ordinary wear and tear and damage by casualty excepted.

(b) Each Loan Party and its Subsidiaries owns, or is licensed to use, all trademarks, tradenames, copyrights, patents and other intellectual property necessary to its business as currently conducted, a correct and complete list of which, as of the Effective Date, is set forth on Schedule 3.05, and the use thereof by each Loan Party and its Subsidiaries does not infringe upon the rights of any other Person, except for such infringements which, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, and, except as set forth on Schedule 3.05, each Loan Party's rights thereto are not subject to any licensing agreement or similar arrangement. Schedule 3.05 sets forth a complete and accurate list of all registered intellectual property owned by each Loan Party as of the Effective Date. No slogan or other advertising device, product, process, method, substance, part or other material now employed, or now contemplated to be employed, by any Loan Party infringes upon or conflicts with any rights owned by any other Person, and no claim or litigation regarding any of the foregoing is pending or, to the knowledge of any Loan Party, threatened, except for such infringements and conflicts which could not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect.

SECTION 3.06 <u>Litigation and Environmental Matters</u>. (a) Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.06</u>, there are no actions, suits or proceedings by or before any arbitrator or Governmental Authority (including, without limitation, the FDA) pending against or, to the knowledge of any Loan Party, threatened against or affecting any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries (i) as to which there is a reasonable possibility of an adverse determination and that, if adversely determined, would reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to result in a Material Adverse Effect or (ii) that involve the Loan Documents.

(b) Except for the matters disclosed on Schedule 3.06, (i) no Loan Party or any Subsidiary has received notice of any claim with respect to any Environmental Liability that, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in liability to the Loan Parties in excess of \$10,000,000 in the aggregate and (ii) except with respect to any other matters that, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in liability to the Loan Parties in excess of \$10,000,000 in the aggregate, no Loan Party nor any Subsidiary (1) has failed to comply with any Environmental Law or to obtain, maintain or comply with any permit, license or other approval required under any Environmental Law or (2) has become subject to any Environmental Liability or knows of any basis for any Environmental Liability.

SECTION 3.07 <u>Compliance with Laws and Agreements</u>. Each Loan Party and its Subsidiaries is in compliance with all Requirements of Law applicable to it or its property and all indentures, agreements and other instruments binding upon it or its property, except where the failure to do so, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. No Default has occurred and is continuing.

SECTION 3.08 Investment Company Status; Margin Stock. No Loan Party or any Subsidiary is an "investment company" as defined in, or subject to regulation under, the Investment Company Act of 1940. No Loan Party or any Subsidiary is engaged in the business of extending credit for the purpose of, and no proceeds of any Loan or other extensions of credit hereunder will be used for the purpose of, buying or carrying margin stock (within the meaning of Regulation U of the Federal Reserve Board) or extending credit to others for the purpose of purchasing or carrying any such margin stock, in each case in contravention of Regulation T, U or X of the Federal Reserve Board.

SECTION 3.09 <u>Taxes</u>. Each Loan Party and its Subsidiaries has timely filed or caused to be filed all Federal, state and other material Tax returns and other material reports required to have been filed and has paid or caused to be paid all Taxes required to have been paid by it, except Taxes that are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings and for which such Loan Party or such Subsidiary, as applicable, has set aside on its books adequate reserves. No tax liens have been filed and no claims are being asserted with respect to any such taxes, other than Permitted Encumbrances.

SECTION 3.10 ERISA. No ERISA Event has occurred or is reasonably expected to occur that, when taken together with all other such ERISA Events for which liability is reasonably expected to occur, would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. All minimum required contributions (within the meaning of Section 430 of the Code) have been timely made with respect to each Plan. Each employee benefit pension plan (within the meaning of Section 3(2) of ERISA) maintained or sponsored by a Loan Party, or under which a Loan Party has any liability, which is intended to be qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code, has received a favorable determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service with respect to such qualification, and, except as could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, no event or condition exists which would reasonably be expected to provide post-retirement health care benefits to any individual other than as required under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, or other similar state law.

SECTION 3.11 <u>Disclosure</u>. Each Loan Party has disclosed to the Lenders all agreements, instruments and corporate or other restrictions to which it or any of its Subsidiaries is subject, and all other matters known to it, that, individually or in the aggregate, would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. None of the reports, financial statements, certificates or other information furnished by or on behalf of any Loan Party to the Administrative Agent or any Lender in connection with this Agreement or any other Loan Document (as modified or supplemented by other information so furnished) contains any material misstatement of fact or omits to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading in any material respect; <u>provided</u> that, with respect to projected financial information, the Loan Parties each represent only that such information was prepared in good faith based upon assumptions believed to be reasonable at the time delivered and, if such projected financial information was delivered prior to the Effective Date.

SECTION 3.12 <u>Material Agreements</u>. All material agreements and contracts to which any Loan Party is a party or is bound as of the date of this Agreement are listed on <u>Schedule 3.12</u>. No Loan Party is in default in the performance, observance or fulfillment of any of the obligations, covenants or conditions contained in any agreement or contract listed on <u>Schedule 3.12</u>.

SECTION 3.13 Solvency.

- (a) Immediately after the consummation of the Transactions to occur on the Effective Date, (i) the fair value of the assets of each Loan Party, at a fair valuation, will exceed its debts and liabilities, subordinated, contingent or otherwise; (ii) the present fair saleable value of the property of each Loan Party will be greater than the amount that will be required to pay the probable liability of its debts and other liabilities, subordinated, contingent or otherwise, as such debts and other liabilities become absolute and matured; (iii) each Loan Party will be able to pay its debts and liabilities, subordinated, contingent or otherwise, as such debts and liabilities become absolute and matured; and (iv) no Loan Party will have unreasonably small capital with which to conduct the business in which it is engaged as such business is now conducted and is proposed to be conducted after the Effective Date.
- (b) No Loan Party intends to, or will permit any Subsidiary to, and no Loan Party believes that it or any Subsidiary will, incur debts beyond its ability to pay such debts as they mature, taking into account the timing of and amounts of cash to be received by it or any such Subsidiary and the timing of the amounts of cash to be payable on or in respect of its Indebtedness or the Indebtedness of any such Subsidiary.

SECTION 3.14 Insurance. The Borrowers maintain, and have caused each Subsidiary to maintain, with financially sound and reputable insurance companies, insurance on all their real and personal property in such amounts, subject to such deductibles and self-insurance retentions and covering such properties and risks as are customarily maintained by companies engaged in the same or similar businesses operating in the same or similar locations. As of the Effective Date, Schedule 3.14 sets forth a description of all insurance maintained by or on behalf of the Loan Parties and the Subsidiaries, and all premiums due and owing in respect of such insurance have been paid.

SECTION 3.15 <u>Capitalization and Subsidiaries</u>. <u>Schedule 3.15</u> sets forth (a) a true and complete listing of each class of each Loan Party's and Subsidiary's authorized Equity Interests and the holders thereof; <u>provided</u> that with respect to Holdings, <u>Schedule 3.15</u> only lists those holders owning at least 5% of the Equity Interests of Holdings as of the Effective Date, and (b) the type of entity and jurisdiction of organization of Holdings and each of its Subsidiaries. All of the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of each Loan Party and the Subsidiaries have been duly authorized and issued and are fully paid and non-assessable and, except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.15</u>, no holder of such Equity Interest is entitled to any preemptive, first refusal or other similar rights.

SECTION 3.16 Security Interest in Collateral. The provisions of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents create legal and valid Liens on all the Collateral in favor of the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the Secured Parties, and such Liens constitute perfected and continuing Liens on the Collateral, securing the Secured Obligations, enforceable against the applicable Loan Party and all third parties, and having priority over all other Liens on the Collateral except in the case of (a) Liens permitted by Section 6.02, to the extent any such Liens (to the extent permitted by Section 6.02) would have priority over the Liens in favor of the Administrative Agent pursuant to any applicable law or agreement, (b) Liens perfected only by possession (including possession of any certificate of title) to the extent the Administrative Agent has not obtained or does not maintain possession of such Collateral, (c) Liens on intellectual property perfected only by making filings with the applicable Governmental Authority to the extent such filings have not been made, (d) real estate, (e) assets subject to certificates of title, (f) Excluded Assets, (g) letter-of-credit rights with respect to letters of credit in an amount, in each case, of less than \$1,000,000 and (h) commercial tort claims having a value, in each case, of less than \$1,000,000.

SECTION 3.17 Employment Matters. As of the Effective Date, there are no strikes, lockouts or slowdowns against any Loan Party or any Subsidiary pending or, to the knowledge of the Borrowers, threatened. The hours worked by and payments made to employees of the Loan Parties and the Subsidiaries have not been in violation of the Fair Labor Standards Act or any other applicable Federal, state, local or foreign law dealing with such matters, except to the extent the failure to so comply with such acts and laws could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. All payments due from any Loan Party or any Subsidiary, or for which any claim may be made against any Loan Party or any Subsidiary, on account of wages and employee health and welfare insurance and other benefits, have been paid or accrued as a liability on the books of the Loan Party or such Subsidiary.

SECTION 3.18 <u>Nature of Business; Permits and Licenses; Tradenames</u>. (a) No Loan Party or Subsidiary is engaged in any business other than those engaged in on the Effective Date and those reasonably related, complementary or ancillary thereto or a logical extension thereof (including, without limitation, food and beverage service, distribution, wholesale and retail).

(b) Each Loan Party has, and is in compliance with, all Governmental Permits and all permits, licenses, authorizations, approvals, entitlements and accreditations required for such Person lawfully to own, lease, manage or operate, or to acquire, each business currently owned, leased, managed or operated, or to be acquired, by such Person, except to the extent that the failure to have or be in compliance with all such Governmental Permits, permits, licenses, authorizations, approvals, entitlements and accreditations could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. No condition exists or event has occurred which, in itself or with the giving of notice or lapse of time or both, would result in the suspension, revocation, impairment, forfeiture or non-renewal of any such permit, license, authorization, approval, entitlement or accreditation, except that could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, and there is no claim that any thereof is not in full force and effect.

- (c) As of the Effective Date, <u>Schedule 3.18</u> hereto sets forth a complete and accurate list of all trade names, business names or similar appellations used by each Loan Party or Subsidiary or any of their divisions or other business units during the past five years.
- SECTION 3.19 <u>Location of Bank Accounts</u>. As of the Effective Date, <u>Schedule 3.19</u> sets forth a complete and accurate list of all deposit, checking and other bank accounts, all securities and other accounts maintained with any broker dealer and all other similar accounts maintained by or for the benefit of each Loan Party and Subsidiary, together with a description thereof (i.e., the bank or broker dealer at which such deposit or other account is maintained and the account number and the purpose thereof).

SECTION 3.20 Notices from Farm Products Sellers. None of the Loan Parties has, within the one year period prior to the Effective Date, received any material written notice pursuant to the applicable provisions of any Farm Products Law, or pursuant to the UCC or any state statutory agricultural or producers' lien laws or any other local laws applicable to the Loan Parties' business from (i) any Farm Products Seller or (ii) any lender to, or any other Person with a security interest in the assets of, any Farm Products Seller or (iii) the Secretary of State (or equivalent official) or other Governmental Authority, from any jurisdiction in which any Farm Products purchased by any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries are produced, in any case, advising or notifying such Loan Party or Subsidiary of the intention of such Farm Products Seller or other Person to preserve the benefits of any trust, lien or other interest applicable to any assets of such Loan Party or Subsidiary established in favor of such Farm Products Seller or other Person or claiming a Lien or security interest in and to any Farm Products which have been purchased by such Loan Party or Subsidiary or any related or other assets of such Loan Party or Subsidiary (all of the foregoing, together with any such notices as any Loan Party or Subsidiary may at any time hereafter receive, collectively, the "Farm Products Notices"), except where the aggregate value of such Farm Products subject to a Farm Products Notice is less than \$100,000.

SECTION 3.21 <u>Customers and Suppliers</u>. There exists no actual or, to the knowledge of any Loan Party, threatened termination, cancellation or limitation of, or modification to or change in, the business relationship between (1) any Loan Party, on the one hand, and any customer or any group thereof, on the other hand, whose agreements with any Loan Party are individually or in the aggregate material to the business or operations of such Loan Party, or (2) any Loan Party, on the one hand, and any material supplier thereof, on the other hand, except, under <u>clauses (i)</u> or <u>(ii)</u>, as could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and, to the knowledge of each Loan Party, there exists no present state of facts or circumstances that could give rise to or result in any such termination, cancellation, limitation, modification or change, except, in each case, as could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

SECTION 3.22 <u>Affiliate Transactions</u>. Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.22</u>, as of the Effective Date, there are no existing or proposed agreements, arrangements, understandings, or transactions between any Loan Party and any of the officers, members, managers, directors, stockholders, parents, other interest holders, employees, or Affiliates (other than Subsidiaries) of any Loan Party or any members of their respective immediate families, and none of the foregoing Persons are directly or indirectly indebted to or have any direct or indirect ownership, partnership, or voting interest in any Affiliate of any Loan Party or any Person with which any Loan Party has a business relationship or which competes with any Loan Party (except that any such Persons may own stock in (but not exceeding 2.0% of the outstanding Equity Interests of) any publicly traded company that may compete with a Loan Party.

SECTION 3.23 <u>Common Enterprise</u>. The successful operation and condition of each of the Loan Parties is dependent on the continued successful performance of the functions of the group of the Loan Parties as a whole and the successful operation of each of the Loan Parties is dependent on the successful performance and operation of each other Loan Party.

Each Loan Party expects to derive benefit (and its board of directors or other governing body has determined that it may reasonably be expected to derive benefit), directly and indirectly, from (i) successful operations of each of the other Loan Parties and (ii) the credit extended by the Lenders to the Borrowers hereunder, both in their separate capacities and as members of the group of companies. Each Loan Party has determined that execution, delivery, and performance of this Agreement and any other Loan Documents to be executed by such Loan Party is within its purpose, in furtherance of its direct and/or indirect business interests, will be of direct and/or indirect benefit to such Loan Party, and is in its best interest.

SECTION 3.24 FDA Matters.

- (a) Except as noted in <u>paragraph (b)</u>, Borrowers, their Subsidiaries and the operation of their respective food facilities in the United States are in compliance with and are not in violation of all applicable Requirements of Law (including the FDC Act), regulations, rules, standards, guidelines, policies, and orders administered or issued by the FDA or any comparable Governmental Authority (including, without limitation, as applicable, the Bioterrorism Act (21 CFR 1.326-1.368), prohibited cattle materials (21 CFR 189.5) and import notification requirements (21 CFR 1.276-1.285)), except for failures to comply or violations that, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- (b) Since December 25, 2015, no Governmental Authority has served notice on any Loan Party or its Subsidiaries that the business or the assets of the Loan Parties or their Subsidiaries, may be, or are in material violation of any Requirement of Law or the subject of any material investigation, except for violations or investigations that, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- (c) Since December 25, 2015, no Loan Party or its Subsidiaries has received notice from any Governmental Authority nor does any Loan Party have any knowledge that there are any circumstances currently existing which would be reasonably likely to lead to any loss of or refusal to renew any material governmental licenses, permits, registrations, product registrations, Governmental Permits, approvals, authorizations related to the business and that the terms of all such licenses, permits, registrations, product registrations, governmental permits, approvals, and authorizations currently in force, except for any notice or circumstance that, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- (d) The Loan Parties have no knowledge of any acts with respect to their food business or products that furnish a reasonable basis for a warning letter, untitled letter, Section 305 notice, or other similar communication from FDA or any Governmental Authority, except for any acts that, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- (e) The Loan Parties have no knowledge of any existing obligation of a Loan Party arising under any administrative or regulatory action, FDA inspection, FDA warning letter, FDA notice of violation letter, or other notice, response or commitment made to or with FDA or any Governmental Authority with respect to their food and food product business, except for any acts that, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result a Material Adverse Effect.
- SECTION 3.25 <u>Anti-Corruption Laws and Sanctions</u>. Each Borrower has implemented and maintains in effect policies and procedures designed to ensure compliance by such Borrower, its Subsidiaries and their respective directors, officers, employees and agents with Anti-Corruption Laws and applicable Sanctions, and each Borrower, its Subsidiaries and their respective officers and directors and to the knowledge of such Borrower its employees and agents, are in compliance with Anti-Corruption Laws and applicable Sanctions in all material respects. None of (a) the Borrowers, any Subsidiary or to the knowledge of such Borrower or such Subsidiary any of their respective directors, officers or employees, or (b) to the knowledge of such Borrower, any agent of such Borrower or any Subsidiary that will act in any capacity in connection with or benefit from the credit facility established hereby, is a Sanctioned Person. No Borrowing or Letter of Credit, use of proceeds or other Transactions will violate any Anti-Corruption Law or applicable Sanctions.

ARTICLE IV.

CONDITIONS

SECTION 4.01 <u>Effective Date</u>. The obligations of the Lenders to make Loans and of the Issuing Bank to issue Letters of Credit hereunder shall not become effective until the date on which each of the following conditions is satisfied (or waived in accordance with Section 9.02).

- (a) <u>Credit Agreement and Other Loan Documents</u>. The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received (i) from each party hereto either (A) a counterpart of this Agreement signed on behalf of such party or (B) written evidence satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (which may include telecopy or electronic transmission of a signed signature page of this Agreement) that such party has signed a counterpart of this Agreement and (ii) duly executed copies of the other Loan Documents and such other legal opinions, certificates, documents, instruments and agreements as the Administrative Agent shall reasonably request in connection with the Transactions, all in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and its counsel and as further described in the list of closing documents attached as <u>Exhibit D</u>.
- (b) <u>Legal Opinions</u>. The Administrative Agent shall have received a favorable written opinion (addressed to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders and dated the Effective Date) of each of (i) Shearman & Sterling LLP, counsel for the Loan Parties, (ii) Angelo & Banta, P.A., special Florida counsel for the Loan Parties, and (iii) Garvey Schubert Barer, special Washington counsel for the Loan Parties, in each case, in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent. The Borrowers hereby request such counsels to deliver such opinions.
- (c) <u>Closing Certificates</u>; <u>Certified Certificate of Incorporation</u>; <u>Good Standing Certificates</u>. The Administrative Agent shall have received such documents and certificates as the Administrative Agent or its counsel may reasonably request relating to the organization, existence and good standing of the initial Loan Parties, the authorization of the Transactions and any other legal matters relating to such Loan Parties, the Loan Documents or the Transactions, all in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and its counsel and as further described in the list of closing documents attached as <u>Exhibit</u> D.
- Mo Default Certificate. The Administrative Agent shall have received a certificate, dated the Effective Date and signed by the President, a Vice President or a Financial Officer of the Borrower Representative, certifying (i) that the representations and warranties contained in Article III are true and correct in all material respects (provided that any representation or warranty that is qualified by materiality or Material Adverse Effect shall be true and correct in all respects) as of such date except to the extent that such representations and warranties specifically refer to an earlier date, in which case they are true and correct in all material respects (or, in the case of any representation or warranty qualified by materiality or Material Adverse Effect, in all respects) as of such earlier date and (ii) that no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing as of such date.

- (e) Pay-Off Letter. The Administrative Agent shall have received pay-off letters in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent in respect of (i) the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of April 17, 2013, by and among Dairyland USA Corporation, The Chefs' Warehouse Mid-Atlantic, LLC, Bel Canto Foods, LLC, The Chefs' Warehouse West Coast, LLC, and The Chefs' Warehouse of Florida, LLC, as borrowers, the other loan parties thereto, the lenders party thereto, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent, as amended, and (ii) the Note Purchase and Guarantee Agreement dated as of April 17, 2013 by and among the Loan Parties party thereto and the purchasers named therein, in each case, confirming that all Liens upon any of the property of the Loan Parties constituting Collateral will be terminated concurrently with the payment of existing Indebtedness thereunder from the proceeds of the initial Borrowing and the initial borrowing under the Term Loan Agreement (and, if applicable, all letters of credit issued or guaranteed as part of such Indebtedness shall have been cash collateralized, supported by a Letter of Credit or reevidenced hereby as an Existing Letter of Credit).
- (f) <u>Term Loan Financing</u>. The Administrative Agent shall have (i) entered into the Intercreditor Agreement with the Term Loan Agent and the Loan Parties and (ii) received evidence reasonably satisfactory to it that (x) each of the conditions precedent (other than the effectiveness of this Agreement) for the effectiveness of the Term Loan Documents have committed to provide Holdings and/or its Subsidiaries with loans in an aggregate gross principal amount equal to \$305,000,000 pursuant to the term loan facility evidenced by the Term Loan Documents. Each such Term Loan Document shall be in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.
- (g) <u>Funding Account</u>. The Administrative Agent shall have received a notice setting forth the deposit account of the Borrower Representative (the "<u>Funding Account</u>") to which the Administrative Agent is authorized by the Borrower Representative to transfer the proceeds of any Borrowings requested or authorized pursuant to this Agreement.
- (h) <u>Borrowing Base Certificate</u>. The Administrative Agent shall have received a Borrowing Base Certificate which calculates the Borrowing Base as of the end of the Business Day immediately preceding the Effective Date.
- (i) <u>Closing Availability</u>. After giving effect to all Borrowings to be made on the Effective Date, the issuance of any Letters of Credit on the Effective Date and the payment of all fees and expenses due hereunder, the Aggregate Availability shall not be less than \$35,000,000.
- (j) <u>Fees</u>. The Administrative Agent shall have received all fees and other amounts due and payable on or prior to the Effective Date, including, to the extent invoiced at least one (1) Business Day prior to the Effective Date, reimbursement or payment of all out-of-pocket expenses required to be reimbursed or paid by the Borrowers hereunder.

The Administrative Agent shall notify the Borrower Representative and the Lenders of the Effective Date, and such notice shall be conclusive and binding.

SECTION 4.02 <u>Each Credit Event</u>. The obligation of each Lender to make a Loan on the occasion of any Borrowing, and of the Issuing Bank to issue, amend, renew or extend any Letter of Credit, is subject to the satisfaction of the following conditions:

- (a) The representations and warranties of the Loan Parties set forth in this Agreement shall be true and correct in all material respects (provided that any representation or warranty that is qualified by materiality or Material Adverse Effect shall be true and correct in all respects) on and as of the date of such Borrowing or the date of issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of such Letter of Credit, as applicable, except to the extent that such representations and warranties specifically refer to an earlier date, in which case they shall be true and correct in all material respects (provided that any representation or warranty that is qualified by materiality or Material Adverse Effect shall be true and correct in all respects) as of such earlier date.
- (b) At the time of and immediately after giving effect to such Borrowing or the issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of such Letter of Credit, as applicable, (i) no Default shall have occurred and be continuing and (ii) no Protective Advance shall be outstanding.
 - (c) After giving effect to any Borrowing or the issuance of any Letter of Credit, Availability shall not be less than zero.

The request for and acceptance of each Borrowing and each issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of a Letter of Credit shall be deemed to constitute a representation and warranty by the Borrowers on the date thereof as to the matters specified in <u>paragraphs (a), (b)</u> and (c) of this Section.

ARTICLE V.

AFFIRMATIVE COVENANTS

Until the Commitments have expired or been terminated and the principal of and interest on each Loan and all fees payable hereunder have been paid in full (other than contingent indemnification obligations for which no claim has been made), and all Letters of Credit have expired, been terminated, cash collateralized or back-stopped, in any case, in a manner acceptable to Administrative Agent and Issuing Bank in their sole discretion, and all LC Disbursements have been reimbursed, each Loan Party executing this Agreement covenants and agrees, jointly and severally with all of the other Loan Parties, with the Lenders that:

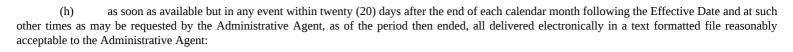
SECTION 5.01 Financial Statements and Other Information. The Borrowers will furnish to the Administrative Agent and each Lender:

- (a) within ninety (90) days after the end of each Fiscal Year of Holdings and its Subsidiaries, its audited consolidated balance sheet and related statements of operations, stockholders' equity and cash flows as of the end of and for Fiscal Year, setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the previous Fiscal Year, all reported on by independent public accountants of recognized national standing selected by Holdings and reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (without a "going concern" or like qualification or exception and without any qualification or exception as to the scope of such audit) to the effect that such consolidated financial statements present fairly in all material respects the financial condition and results of operations of Holdings and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP consistently applied, accompanied by any management letter prepared by said accountants;
- (b) within forty-five (45) days after the end of each of the first three Fiscal Quarters of each Fiscal Year, its consolidated balance sheet and related statements of operations and consolidated statements of cash flows as of the end of and for such Fiscal Quarter and the then elapsed portion of such Fiscal Year, setting forth in comparative form the actual figures for the corresponding period or periods of (or, in the case of the balance sheet, as of the end of) the previous Fiscal Year;

- (c) from and after the date on which Availability is less than the greater of 12.5% of the Aggregate Commitment and \$12,500,000 for three (3) consecutive Business Days (or an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing) and until such subsequent date, if any, on which Aggregate Availability is greater than the greater of 12.5% of the Aggregate Commitment and \$12,500,000 for a period of sixty (60) consecutive calendar days (and no Event of Default then exists), within twenty (20) days after the end of each of the first two Fiscal Months of each Fiscal Quarter, the Borrowers will furnish Holdings' consolidated balance sheet and related statements of operations and consolidated statements of cash flows in the form prepared by management of Holdings as of the end of and for such Fiscal Month and the then elapsed portion of the Fiscal Year, setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the corresponding period or periods of (or, in the case of the balance sheet, as of the end of) the previous Fiscal Year;
- (d) concurrently with any delivery of financial statements under <u>clause (a)</u> or <u>(b)</u> above, a Compliance Certificate (i) certifying, in the case of the financial statements delivered under <u>clause (b)</u>, as presenting fairly in all material respects the financial condition and results of operations of Holdings and its consolidated Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP consistently applied, subject to normal year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes, (ii) certifying as to whether a Default has occurred and, if a Default has occurred, specifying the details thereof and any action taken or proposed to be taken with respect thereto, (iii) setting forth reasonably detailed calculations of the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio as of the last day of the most recently ended period of four (4) Fiscal Quarters (provided that the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio shall only be tested for compliance purposes during an FCCR Test Period), (iv) stating whether any change in GAAP or in the application thereof has occurred since the date of the audited financial statements referred to in Section 3.04 and, if any such change has occurred, specifying the effect of such change on the financial statements accompanying such certificate and (v) that is accompanied by updated versions of the Exhibits to the Security Agreement; <u>provided</u> that, if there have been no changes to any such Exhibits since the previous updating thereof, it shall be indicated that there has been "no change" to the applicable Exhibit(s);

(e) [Intentionally Omitted];

- (f) as soon as available but in any event no later than thirty (30) days after the commencement of each Fiscal Year of Holdings, a copy of the plan and forecast (including a projected consolidated balance sheet, income statement and funds flow statement) of Holdings and its Subsidiaries for each Fiscal Quarter of such Fiscal Year (the "<u>Projections</u>") in form reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (including the Fiscal Month end dates for such Fiscal Year);
- (g) (i) as soon as available but in any event within twenty (20) days after the end of each calendar month following the Effective Date (or, from and after the date on which Availability is less than the greater of 12.5% of the Aggregate Commitment and \$12,500,000 for three (3) consecutive Business Days (or an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing) and until such subsequent date, if any, on which Aggregate Availability is greater than the greater of 12.5% of the Aggregate Commitment and \$12,500,000 for a period of sixty (60) consecutive calendar days (and no Event of Default then exists), by the Wednesday immediately following the end of each calendar week), (ii) on the first date on which the Administrative Agent shall have received an Acceptable Inventory Appraisal and an Acceptable Field Examination shall have been completed and (iii) at such other times as may be necessary to redetermine Availability or as may be reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent, as of the period then ended, a Borrowing Base Certificate and supporting information in connection therewith, together with any additional reports with respect to the Borrowing Base as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request;



- (i) a detailed aging of the Loan Parties' Accounts, including all invoices aged by invoice date and due date (with an explanation of the terms offered), prepared in a manner reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, together with a summary specifying the name, address, and balance due for each Account Debtor;
- (ii) a schedule detailing the Loan Parties' Inventory, in form reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, (1) by location (showing Inventory in transit, any Inventory located with a third party under any consignment, bailee arrangement, or warehouse agreement), by class (raw material, work-in-process and finished goods), by product type, and by volume on hand, which Inventory shall be valued at the lower of cost (determined on a first-in, first-out basis) or market and adjusted for Reserves as the Administrative Agent has previously indicated to the Borrower Representative are deemed by the Administrative Agent in its Permitted Discretion to be appropriate, and (2) including a report of any variances or other results of Inventory counts performed by the Loan Parties since the last Inventory schedule (including information regarding sales or other reductions, additions, returns, credits issued by Loan Parties and complaints and claims made against the Loan Parties);
- (iii) a worksheet of calculations prepared by the Loan Parties to determine Eligible Accounts and Eligible Inventory, such worksheets detailing the Accounts and Inventory excluded from Eligible Accounts and Eligible Inventory and the reason for such exclusion;
- (iv) a reconciliation of the Loan Parties' Accounts and Inventory between (A) the amounts shown in the Loan Parties' general ledger and financial statements and the reports delivered pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii) above and (B) the amounts and dates shown in the reports delivered pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii) above and the Borrowing Base Certificate delivered pursuant to clause (g) above as of such date; and
 - (v) a reconciliation of the loan balance per the Loan Parties' general ledger to the loan balance under this Agreement;
- (i) as soon as available but in any event within twenty (20) days after the end of each calendar month following the Effective Date and at such other times as may be requested by the Administrative Agent, as of the month then ended, a schedule and aging of the Loan Parties' accounts payable, delivered electronically in a text formatted file reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent;
- (j) within twenty (20) days of each March 31 and September 30 following the Effective Date, an updated customer list for each Borrower and its Subsidiaries, which list shall state the customer's name, mailing address and phone number, delivered electronically in a text formatted file reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent;
 - (k) promptly upon the Administrative Agent's reasonable request:

- (i) copies of invoices issued by the Loan Parties in connection with any Accounts, credit memos, shipping and delivery documents, and other information related thereto;
- (ii) copies of purchase orders, invoices, and shipping and delivery documents in connection with any Inventory purchased by any Loan Party;
 - (iii) a schedule detailing the balance of all intercompany accounts of the Loan Parties;
 - (iv) a listing of Farm Products Sellers and amounts owed to each such Person;
- (v) the Borrowers' sales journal, cash receipts journal (identifying trade and non-trade cash receipts) and debit memo/credit memo journal; and
 - (vi) copies of all tax returns filed by any Loan Party with the U.S. Internal Revenue Service;
- (l) within five (5) Business Days after receipt thereof, written notice of any material Farm Products Notice or any material notice from Farm Products Sellers;
- (m) concurrently with the delivery of Holdings' audited annual financial statements pursuant to <u>Section 5.01(a)</u> (or, if applicable, concurrently with the filing of its Annual Report on Form 10-K with the SEC for the most recently completed Fiscal Year), a certificate of good standing or the substantive equivalent available in the jurisdiction of incorporation, formation or organization for each Loan Party from the appropriate governmental officer in such jurisdiction;
- (n) (i) promptly after the same become publicly available (but in no event later than one (1) Business Day after filing any quarterly reports), notice that any periodic and other reports, proxy statements and other materials have been filed by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary with the SEC, or any Governmental Authority succeeding to any or all of the functions of the SEC, or with any national securities exchange, or copies of any materials otherwise distributed by any Loan Party to its shareholders generally, as the case may be and (ii) promptly after the sending thereof, a copy of each financial statement, report, notice or proxy statement sent by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary to the Term Loan Agent under the Term Loan Documents;
- (o) promptly after submission to any Governmental Authority, all documents and information furnished to such Governmental Authority in connection with any investigation of any Loan Party other than routine inquiries by such Governmental Authority, except to the extent any such documents or information are subject to attorney-client privilege or attorney work-product privilege; provided, however, for the sake of clarity, it is the intent of the Loan Parties that the disclosure of such documents or information to the Administrative Agent or any Lender shall not, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be deemed to waive any attorney-client privilege, attorney work-product or other applicable legal privilege or immunity that could otherwise be asserted against any third parties that are not parties to this Agreement;
- (p) promptly upon receipt thereof, copies of all financial reports (including, without limitation, management letters), if any, submitted to any Loan Party by its auditors in connection with any annual or interim audit of the books thereof; and

(q) promptly following any reasonable request therefor, such other information regarding the operations, business affairs and financial condition of the Loan Parties or any Subsidiary, or compliance with the terms of this Agreement, as the Administrative Agent or any Lender may reasonably request.

Documents required to be delivered pursuant to clauses (a), (b) and (n) of this Section 5.01 may be delivered electronically and if so delivered, shall be deemed to have been delivered on the date on which such documents are filed for public availability on the SEC's Electronic Data Gathering and Retrieval System; <u>provided</u> that, the Borrower Representative shall notify (which may be by facsimile or electronic mail) the Administrative Agent of the filing of any such documents and provide to the Administrative Agent by electronic mail electronic versions (i.e., soft copies) of such documents. Notwithstanding anything contained herein, in every instance the Borrower Representative shall be required to provide paper copies of the Compliance Certificates required by clause (d) of this Section 5.01 to the Administrative Agent.

SECTION 5.02 <u>Notices of Material Events</u>. The Loan Parties will furnish to the Administrative Agent and each Lender prompt (but in any event within any time period that may be specified below) written notice of the following:

- (a) within three (3) Business Days after any Authorized Officer of a Loan Party knows of the occurrence of a Default, the occurrence of any Default;
- (b) the filing or commencement of any action, suit or proceeding by or before any arbitrator or Governmental Authority against or affecting any Loan Party or any Affiliate thereof in which the amount involved (not covered by an unaffiliated insurance carrier that has not denied coverage) is greater than \$5,000,000 and that, if adversely determined, would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect;
 - (c) any loss, damage, or destruction to the Collateral in the amount of \$500,000 or more, whether or not covered by insurance;
- (d) within five (5) Business Days of receipt thereof, any and all default notices received under or with respect to any leased location or public warehouse where Collateral is located having an aggregate value exceeding \$500,000;
 - (e) all amendments to the Term Loan Agreement, together with a copy of each such amendment;
- (f) within two (2) Business Days after the occurrence thereof, any Loan Party entering into a Swap Agreement or an amendment thereto, together with copies of all agreements evidencing such Swap Agreement or amendment;
- (g) the occurrence of any ERISA Event that, alone or together with any other ERISA Events that have occurred, would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect;
- (h) the occurrence of any ERISA Event that, alone or together with any other ERISA Events that have occurred, could reasonably be expected to result in liability of the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries in an aggregate amount exceeding \$500,000;
 - (i) within ten (10) days after receipt thereof, copies of any Form FDA-483 and all responses to Form FDA-483 observations; and

any other development that results in, or would reasonably be expected to result in, a Material Adverse Effect.

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Each notice delivered under this Section shall be accompanied by a statement of a Financial Officer or other executive officer of the Borrower Representative setting forth the details of the event or development requiring such notice and any action taken or proposed to be taken with respect thereto.

SECTION 5.03 Existence; Conduct of Business. Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, (a) do or cause to be done all things necessary to preserve, renew and keep in full force and effect its legal existence and the rights, qualifications, licenses, permits, franchises, governmental authorizations, intellectual property rights, licenses and permits material to the conduct of its business, and maintain all requisite authority to conduct its business in each jurisdiction in which its business is conducted, in each case, except where the failure to do so would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect; provided that the foregoing shall not prohibit any merger, consolidation, liquidation or dissolution permitted under Section 6.03, and (b) carry on and conduct its business in substantially the same manner and in substantially the same fields of enterprise (including, without limitation, food and beverage service, distribution, wholesale or retail) as it is on the Effective Date.

SECTION 5.04 <u>Payment of Obligations</u>. Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, pay or discharge all Material Indebtedness and all other material liabilities and obligations, including Taxes, before the same shall become delinquent or in default, except (a) where (i) the validity or amount thereof is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings, (ii) such Loan Party or Subsidiary has set aside on its books adequate reserves with respect thereto in accordance with GAAP and (iii) the failure to make payment pending such contest could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect or (b) with respect to Restricted Payments.

SECTION 5.05 <u>Maintenance of Properties</u>. Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, keep and maintain all tangible property material to the conduct of its business in good working order and condition, ordinary wear and tear and casualty excepted.

SECTION 5.06 Books and Records; Inspection Rights. Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, (a) keep proper books of record and account in which full, true and correct entries are made of all dealings and transactions in relation to its business and activities and (b) permit any representatives designated by the Administrative Agent or any Lender (including employees of the Administrative Agent, any Lender or any consultants, accountants, lawyers, agents and appraisers retained by the Administrative Agent), upon reasonable prior notice and without unreasonable disruption to the business of the Loan Parties, to visit and inspect its properties, to examine and make extracts from its books and records, and to discuss its affairs, finances and condition with its officers and independent accountants, all at such reasonable times and as often as reasonably requested; provided that, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, unless an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Loan Parties shall not be required to reimburse the Administrative Agent for more than two (2) such visits and inspections per calendar year. In addition to the foregoing, the Administrative Agent may from time to time conduct at such Loan Party's premises field examinations of such Loan Party's assets, liabilities, books and records, including examining and making extracts from its books and records. The Loan Parties shall be responsible for the costs of expenses of one (1) field examination during any 12-month period; provided, however, that notwithstanding the foregoing limitation, at any time on or after the date on which Availability has been less than the greater of 15% of the Aggregate Commitment and \$15,000,000 for three (3) consecutive Business Days, the Administrative Agent may carry out, at the Loan Parties' expense, two (2) field examinations during the following twelve (12) consecutive months. Additionally, there shall be no limitation on the number or frequency of field examinations if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, and the Loan Parties shall be responsible for the costs and expenses of any field examinations conducted while an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing. Each Loan Party acknowledges that the Administrative Agent, after exercising its rights of inspection, may prepare and distribute to the Lenders certain Reports pertaining to each Loan Party's assets for internal use by the Administrative Agent and the Lenders.

SECTION 5.07 <u>Compliance with Laws and Material Contractual Obligations</u>. Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, (i) comply with each Requirement of Law applicable to it or its property (including without limitation Environmental Laws) and (ii) perform in all material respects its obligations under material agreements to which it is a party, except, in each case, where the failure to do so, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. Each Loan Party will maintain in effect and enforce policies and procedures designed to ensure compliance by such Loan Party, its Subsidiaries and their respective directors, officers, employees and agents with Anti-Corruption Laws and applicable Sanctions.

SECTION 5.08 <u>Use of Proceeds</u>. The proceeds of the Loans will be used only to repay existing Indebtedness, pay transaction costs, fees and expenses associated with this Agreement and the Transactions, to pay for Capital Expenditures and Permitted Acquisitions and to fund the working capital needs, and for general corporate purposes, of the Borrowers and their Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business. No part of the proceeds of any Loan and no Letter of Credit will be used, whether directly or indirectly, for any purpose that entails a violation of any of the Regulations of the Board, including Regulations T, U and X. The Borrowers will not request any Borrowing or Letter of Credit, and no Borrower shall use, and shall procure that its Subsidiaries and its or their respective directors, officers, employees and agents shall not use, the proceeds of any Borrowing or Letter of Credit (i) in furtherance of an offer, payment, promise to pay, or authorization of the payment or giving of money, or anything else of value, to any Person in violation of any Anti-Corruption Laws, (ii) for the purpose of funding, financing or facilitating any activities, business or transaction of or with any Sanctioned Person, or in any Sanctioned Country, to the extent such activities, business or transaction would be prohibited by Sanctions if conducted by a corporation incorporated in the United States or in a European Union member state or (iii) in any manner that would result in the violation of any Sanctions applicable to any party hereto.

SECTION 5.09 [Intentionally Omitted.]

SECTION 5.10 <u>Insurance</u>. Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, maintain with financially sound and reputable carriers having a financial strength rating of at least A- by A.M. Best Company (a) insurance in such amounts and against such risks (including loss or damage by fire and loss in transit; theft, burglary, pilferage, larceny, embezzlement, and other criminal activities; business interruption; and general liability) and such other hazards, as is customarily maintained by companies of established repute engaged in the same or similar businesses operating in the same or similar locations and (b) all insurance required pursuant to the Collateral Documents. The Borrowers will furnish to the Lenders, upon request of either Agent, information in reasonable detail as to the insurance so maintained.

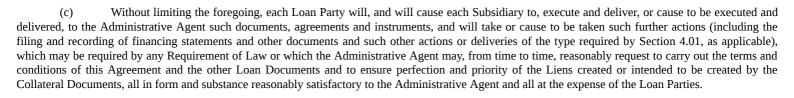
SECTION 5.11 <u>Casualty and Condemnation</u>. The Borrowers will (a) furnish to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders prompt written notice of any casualty or other insured damage to any material portion of the Collateral or the commencement of any action or proceeding for the taking of any material portion of the Collateral or interest therein under power of eminent domain or by condemnation or similar proceeding and (b) ensure that the net proceeds of any such event (whether in the form of insurance proceeds, condemnation awards or otherwise) are collected and applied in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Agreement and the Collateral Documents.

SECTION 5.12 Appraisals. At any time that the Administrative Agent requests, each Loan Party will provide the Administrative Agent with appraisals or updates thereof of its Inventory from an appraiser selected and engaged by the Administrative Agent, and prepared on a basis satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, such appraisals and updates to include, without limitation, information required by any applicable Requirement of Law. The Administrative Agent shall request one (1) Inventory appraisal during each 12-month period and the Administrative Agent may, in its Permitted Discretion, request one (1) additional appraisal (for a total of two (2) such Inventory appraisals during each 12-month period) following the occurrence of the triggering event described in the proviso of the next sentence. The Loan Parties shall be responsible for the costs of expenses of one (1) Inventory appraisal during any 12-month period; provided, however, that notwithstanding the foregoing limitation, at any time on or after the date on which Availability has been less than the greater of 15% of the Aggregate Commitment and \$15,000,000 for three (3) consecutive Business Days, the Administrative Agent may request and carry out, at the Loan Parties' expense, two (2) Inventory appraisals during the following twelve (12) consecutive months. Additionally, there shall be no limitation on the number or frequency of Inventory appraisals if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, and the Loan Parties shall be responsible for the costs and expenses of any such appraisals conducted while an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing.

SECTION 5.13 Depository Banks. The Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries will maintain Administrative Agent as their principal depository bank.

SECTION 5.14 Additional Collateral; Further Assurances. (a) Each Borrower and each Subsidiary that is a Loan Party will cause each of its Domestic Subsidiaries that is not a FSHCO formed or acquired after the Effective Date and Dairyland HP at such time that Dairyland HP no longer constitutes an Excluded Subsidiary to become a Loan Party by executing a Joinder Agreement within thirty (30) days (or such later date as may from time to time be approved by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion, but in no event later than the date such Domestic Subsidiary becomes an issuer or guarantor under or in respect of the Term Loan Agreement) of such formation, acquisition or disqualification as an Excluded Subsidiary (to the extent such Domestic Subsidiary remains in existence as of such thirtieth day), such Joinder Agreement to be accompanied by appropriate corporate resolutions, other corporate organizational and authorization documentation and legal opinions in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent. Upon execution and delivery thereof, each such Person (i) shall automatically become a Loan Guarantor hereunder and thereupon shall have all of the rights, benefits, duties, and obligations in such capacity under the Loan Documents and (ii) will grant Liens to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties, in any property of such Loan Party which constitutes Collateral, including any real property owned by any Loan Party (other than Excluded Assets). Nothing in this Section 5.14 shall be construed as a consent to form or acquire any Subsidiary after the Effective Date that is not otherwise expressly permitted herein. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, no Foreign Subsidiary of any Loan Party and no FSHCO shall be required to become a Loan Party.

(b) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Borrower and each Subsidiary that is a Loan Party will cause (i) 100% of the issued and outstanding non-voting Equity Interests and (ii) the Applicable Pledge Percentage of the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of each Pledge Subsidiary to be subject at all times to a first priority, perfected Lien in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties, to secure the Secured Obligations in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Collateral Documents or such other security documents as the Administrative Agent shall reasonably request. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no such pledge agreement in respect of the Equity Interests of a Foreign Subsidiary shall be required hereunder to the extent the Administrative Agent or its counsel determines that such pledge would not provide material credit support for the benefit of the Secured Parties pursuant to legally valid, binding and enforceable pledge agreements.



- (d) If any material assets are acquired by any Loan Party after the Effective Date (other than Excluded Assets or assets constituting Collateral under the Security Agreement that become subject to the Lien under the Security Agreement upon the acquisition thereof), the Borrower Representative will take, and cause each Subsidiary that is a Loan Party to take, such actions as shall be necessary or reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent to grant and perfect such Liens, including actions described in <u>paragraph (c)</u> of this Section, all at the expense of the Loan Parties.
- (e) If, at any time after the Effective Date any Subsidiary of Holdings that is not a Loan Party shall become party to a guaranty of, or grant a Lien on any assets (other than Excluded Assets) to secure, the Term Loan Obligations, any Subordinated Indebtedness or any other Material Indebtedness of Holdings or a Domestic Subsidiary, the Borrower Representative shall promptly notify the Administrative Agent thereof and, within ten (10) days thereof (or such later date as may be agreed upon by the Administrative Agent) cause such Subsidiary to comply with Section 5.14(a) and (b) (but without giving effect to the 30-day grace periods provided therein).
- (f) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement or any other Loan Document, (x) the Administrative Agent may grant extensions of time for, or waive the requirements to obtain, the creation or perfection of security interests in, or the obtaining of title insurance and surveys with respect to, particular assets (including extensions beyond the Effective Date for the perfection of security interests in the assets of the Loan Parties on such date) where it reasonably determines, in consultation with the Borrowers, that the cost, burden or consequence (including adverse Tax consequences) thereof is excessive in relation to the practical benefit afforded to the Secured Parties thereby; and (y) Liens required to be granted from time to time pursuant to the Collateral Documents shall be subject to exceptions and limitations set forth in the Collateral Documents and, to the extent appropriate in the applicable jurisdictions, as otherwise agreed between the Administrative Agent and the Borrowers.
- (g) No later than forty-five (45) days following the Effective Date (or such later date as the Administrative Agent may agree to in its reasonable discretion), the Administrative Agent shall have received an Acceptable Inventory Appraisal and an Acceptable Field Examination shall have been completed.
- (h) Within thirty (30) days following the Effective Date (or such later date as the Administrative Agent agrees to in its sole discretion), the Loan Parties shall deliver to the Administrative Agent certificates of insurance listing the Administrative Agent as (x) lender loss payee for the property casualty insurance policies of the Loan Parties, together with long-form lender loss payable endorsements, as appropriate and (y) additional insured with respect to the liability insurance of the Loan Parties, together with additional insured endorsements. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any Loan Documents, such certificates of insurance and endorsements shall not be required to be delivered until the date that is thirty (30) days following the Effective Date (or such later date as the Administrative Agent agrees to in its sole discretion).

SECTION 5.15 Farm Products. Each Loan Party shall:

- Pay, on or prior to the date required for payment with respect thereto, the amount of any outstanding invoices for the purchase of Farm Products unless (i) such Loan Party has obtained from the applicable Farm Products Seller a waiver of its rights under the applicable Farm Products Law, in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, (ii) such Loan Party is contesting, after providing written notice thereof to the Administrative Agent, the amount or payment of such invoice in good faith by appropriate proceedings or (iii) the amount of such invoice, together with the unpaid amount of all other invoices from Farm Products Sellers, is less than \$1,500,000; provided, however, that in the event that any such invoice requires payment upon delivery, payment shall be made on such date of delivery.
- (b) Take all other commercially reasonable actions as may be reasonably required, if any, to ensure that any Farm Product (in any form) is purchased free and clear of any Lien, trust or other claim in favor of any Farm Products Seller or any secured party with respect to the assets of any Farm Products Seller, including, without limitation, registration with all states which have established central filing systems as contemplated under the Food Security Act.
- Provide to the Administrative Agent, within five (5) Business Days of receipt by any Loan Party, a copy of (i) any Farm Products Notice or amendment to a previous Farm Products Notice, including, without limitation, any notice from any Farm Products Seller of the intention of such Farm Products Seller to preserve the benefits of any trust applicable to any assets of such Loan Party established in favor of such Farm Products Seller or other Person under the provisions of the applicable Farm Products Laws, and (ii) any master lists of effective financing statements delivered to any Loan Party or any Subsidiary pursuant to the Food Security Act unless (1) such Person has obtained from the applicable Farm Products Seller a waiver of its rights under the applicable Farm Products Laws, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, or (2) the amount of such invoice, together with the unpaid amount of all other invoices from Farm Products Sellers, is less than \$1,500,000.
- (d) Pay, in the event that any Loan Party receives a Farm Products Notice, the related invoice within five (5) Business Days of receipt of such Farm Products Notice; provided, however, that such invoice may remain unpaid if, and only so long as:
 - (i) such Person has obtained from the applicable Farm Products Seller a waiver of its rights under the applicable Farm Products Laws, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent;
 - (ii) the amount of such invoice, together with the unpaid amount of all other invoices from Farm Products Sellers, is less than \$1,500,000; or
 - (iii)(1) such Loan Party is contesting, after providing written notice thereof to the Administrative Agent, the amount or payment of such invoice in good faith by appropriate proceedings, (2) adequate reserves with respect to such contest are maintained on the books of such Loan Party, in accordance with GAAP, (3) the ability of the vendor to pursue any claims or enforce any Liens or trusts provided under the applicable Farm Products Laws, as applicable, has been stayed or otherwise legally prohibited during the pendency of such action, (4) such Loan Party shall promptly pay or discharge such contested invoice and all additional charges, interest, penalties and expenses, if any, and shall deliver to the Administrative Agent evidence reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent of such payment, if such contest is terminated or discontinued adversely to such Loan Party, and (5) nonpayment thereof could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Each Loan Party shall at all times otherwise comply with all existing and future Farm Products Notices during their periods of effectiveness under the applicable Farm Products Laws, as applicable, including, without limitation, directions to make payments to the applicable Farm Products Seller by issuing payment instruments directly to a secured party with respect to any assets of the Farm Products Seller or jointly payable to the Farm Products Seller and any secured party with respect to the assets of such Farm Products Seller, as specified in the Farm Products Notice.

ARTICLE VI.

NEGATIVE COVENANTS

Until the Commitments have expired or terminated and the principal of and interest on each Loan and all fees, expenses and other amounts payable under any Loan Document have been paid in full (other than contingent indemnification obligations for which no claim has been made), and all Letters of Credit have expired, been terminated, cash collateralized or back-stopped, in any case, in a manner acceptable to Administrative Agent and Issuing Bank in their sole discretion, and all LC Disbursements have been reimbursed, each Loan Party executing this Agreement covenants and agrees, jointly and severally with all of the other Loan Parties, with the Lenders that:

SECTION 6.01 <u>Indebtedness</u>. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Indebtedness, except:

- (a) (i) the Secured Obligations and (ii) the Term Loan Obligations subject to the Intercreditor Agreement;
- (b) Indebtedness existing on the Effective Date and set forth in <u>Schedule 6.01</u> and extensions, renewals and replacements of any such Indebtedness in accordance with <u>clause (f)</u> hereof;
- (c) Indebtedness of any Loan Party owing to any Subsidiary and of any Subsidiary owing to any Loan Party; <u>provided</u> that, (i) if such Indebtedness is owing by any Subsidiary to any Loan Party, such Indebtedness shall be evidenced by promissory notes or other instruments and such promissory notes or other instruments shall be pledged to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, and have subordination terms satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and (ii) Indebtedness owing by any Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party to any Loan Party shall be subject to the limitations set forth in Section 6.04(d);
- (d) Guarantees by any Loan Party (other than Holdings) of Indebtedness of any other Loan Party (other than Holdings); <u>provided</u> that (i) the Indebtedness so Guaranteed is permitted by this <u>Section 6.01</u>, and (ii) Guarantees permitted under this <u>clause (d)</u> shall be subordinated to the Secured Obligations on the same terms as, and to the extent that, the Indebtedness so Guaranteed is subordinated to the Secured Obligations;
- (e) Indebtedness of any Borrower or any Subsidiary incurred to finance the acquisition, construction or improvement of any fixed or capital assets (whether or not constituting purchase money Indebtedness), including Capital Lease Obligations and any Indebtedness assumed in connection with the acquisition of any such assets or secured by a Lien on any such assets prior to the acquisition thereof, and extensions, renewals and replacements of any such Indebtedness in accordance with <u>clause (f)</u> hereof; <u>provided</u> that (i) such Indebtedness is incurred prior to or within ninety (90) days after such acquisition or the completion of such construction or improvement and (ii) the aggregate principal amount of Indebtedness permitted by this <u>clause (e)</u> shall not at any time outstanding exceed \$10,000,000;

- (f) Indebtedness which represents an extension, refinancing or renewal (such Indebtedness being referred to herein as the "Refinanced in clauses (b), (e) and (j) hereof (such Indebtedness being so extended, refinanced or renewed being referred to herein as the "Refinanced Indebtedness"); provided that (i) such Refinancing Indebtedness does not increase the principal amount or interest rate of the Refinanced Indebtedness, (ii) any Liens securing such Refinanced Indebtedness are not extended to any additional property of any Loan Party, (iii) no Loan Party that is not obligated with respect to repayment of such Refinanced Indebtedness is required to become obligated with respect to such Refinancing Indebtedness, (iv) such Refinancing Indebtedness does not result in a shortening of the average weighted maturity of such Refinanced Indebtedness, (v) the maturity date of such Refinancing Indebtedness is no earlier than the maturity date of such Refinanced Indebtedness, (vi) the terms of such Refinanced Indebtedness are not less favorable to the obligor thereunder than the original terms of such Refinanced Indebtedness and (vii) if such Refinanced Indebtedness was subordinated in right of payment to the Secured Obligations, then the terms and conditions of such Refinancing Indebtedness must include subordination terms and conditions that are at least as favorable to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders as those that were applicable to such Refinanced Indebtedness;
- (g) Indebtedness owed to any Person providing workers' compensation, health, disability or other employee benefits or property, casualty or liability insurance, pursuant to reimbursement or indemnification obligations to such Person, in each case incurred in the ordinary course of business;
- (h) Indebtedness of any Borrower or any Subsidiary in respect of performance bonds, bid bonds, statutory bonds, appeal bonds, surety bonds and similar obligations, in each case provided in the ordinary course of business;
- (i) Indebtedness of any Borrower or any Subsidiary in respect of netting services, overdraft protections and otherwise in connection with deposit accounts, so long as such Indebtedness is incurred in the ordinary course of business and is not outstanding for more than three (3) Business Days;
- (i) unsecured Subordinated Indebtedness under any Permitted Convertible Seller Notes in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$36,750,000 at any time outstanding and (ii) other unsecured or Subordinated Indebtedness of the Borrowers in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding at any time outstanding the sum of (A) \$30,000,000 plus (B) an unlimited amount so long as, in the case of this clause (B), (x) the Total Leverage Ratio, after giving effect (including pro forma effect) to the incurrence of such Indebtedness (and any related repayment of Indebtedness) shall not exceed 5.10:1.00 at the time of such incurrence and (y) such Indebtedness shall satisfy each of the following requirements: (1) both immediately prior to and after giving effect (including pro forma effect) thereto, no Default or Event of Default shall exist or result therefrom, (2) such Indebtedness matures after, and does not require any scheduled amortization or other scheduled payments of principal prior to, the date that is 91 days after the Maturity Date (it being understood that neither (x) any provision requiring an offer to purchase such Indebtedness as a result of change of control or asset sale or other fundamental change nor (y) any early conversion of any Permitted Convertible Notes in accordance with the terms thereof shall violate the foregoing restriction), (3) such Indebtedness is not guaranteed by any Subsidiary of Holdings other than the Loan Guarantors (which guarantees, if such Indebtedness is subordinated, shall be expressly subordinated to the Secured Obligations on terms not less favorable to the Lenders than the subordination terms of such Subordinated Indebtedness), (4) to the extent any such Indebtedness constitutes Subordinated Indebtedness, such Indebtedness shall be subject to the terms of a customary subordination agreement (and, if such Indebtedness is secured, an intercreditor agreement) in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, (5) to the extent any such Subordinated Indebtedness is secured by the Collateral, the Liens securing such Subordinated Indebtedness shall rank junior to the Liens securing the Secured Obligations and (6) the covenants applicable to such Indebtedness (excluding covenants applicable only to periods after the Maturity Date) are not more onerous or more restrictive in any material respect (taken as a whole) than the applicable covenants set forth in this Agreement, as determined in good faith by the board of directors of Holdings;

- (k) the Dairyland HP Indebtedness;
- (l) Guarantees entered into in the ordinary course of business of a Loan Party and not in respect of Indebtedness for borrowed money;
- (m) [Intentionally Omitted];
- (n) Indebtedness representing deferred compensation to employees, directors or consultants incurred in the ordinary course of business;
- (o) Subordinated Indebtedness under Permitted Convertible Notes (other than Permitted Convertible Seller Notes) in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$150,000,000 at any time outstanding;
- Indebtedness incurred to finance Permitted Acquisitions after the Effective Date to the extent such Indebtedness is incurred on reliance on (p) Section 6.01(n) of the Term Loan Agreement (as in effect on the Effective Date) and at the time of such incurrence, is permitted to be incurred in reliance on such basket; provided that (i) no Event of Default exists (or would result therefrom), (ii) if such Indebtedness is borrowed or issued by any Loan Party, it shall not be guaranteed by any Person that is not a Loan Party or secured by any assets other than the Collateral, (iii) such Indebtedness shall not have a maturity date earlier than the Maturity Date, (iv) such Indebtedness shall rank pari passu in right of payment with the Secured Obligations, (v) in the case of such Indebtedness of the Loan Parties that is secured on a pari passu basis with or junior basis to the Secured Obligations, such Indebtedness shall be subject to an intercreditor agreement reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent; provided, further, that in the case of any such Indebtedness of the Loan Parties that is secured on a junior basis to the Secured Obligations, (i) such Indebtedness shall not have a maturity date prior to the date that is 91 days after the Maturity Date and (ii) such Indebtedness shall not be guaranteed by any Person that is not a Loan Party and shall not be secured by any assets other than the Collateral unless, in each case, such Indebtedness was incurred in order to finance the acquisition of (x) a target that becomes a Subsidiary but not a Loan Party hereunder (in which case such target may guarantee such Indebtedness but not the Secured Obligations) or (y) assets that are "Excluded Assets" (in which case such assets may secure such Indebtedness but not the Secured Obligations); provided, further, that if such Indebtedness is unsecured, such Indebtedness shall not mature or require any scheduled amortization or scheduled payments of principal or be subject to any mandatory redemption, repurchase, repayment or sinking fund obligation (other than (x) payments as part of an "applicable high yield discount obligation" catch up payment, (y) customary offers to repurchase in connection with any change of control, asset disposition or casualty event and (z) customary acceleration rights after an event of default), in each case, prior to the date that is 91 days after the Maturity Date;
- (q) Indebtedness of any Person that becomes a Subsidiary, or is merged into or consolidated with a Subsidiary or Indebtedness assumed in connection with a Permitted Acquisition after the Effective Date, but only to the extent that (A) such Indebtedness existed at the time such Person became a Subsidiary or the assets subject to such Indebtedness were acquired, (B) such Indebtedness was not incurred in contemplation thereof and (C)(i) no Event of Default exists or would result from the consummation of such acquisition and (ii) (x) the Total Leverage Ratio would not exceed 4.92:1.00 calculated on a pro forma basis (as if such acquisition and related incurrence of Indebtedness had occurred on the first day of the relevant period and being deemed to be amortized over the applicable testing period in accordance with its terms) as of the last day of the most recent Fiscal Quarter for which financial statements shall have been delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(a) or 5.01(b) (or, prior to the delivery of any such financial statements, as of the last Fiscal Quarter included in the financial statements referred to in Section 3.04(a)) and (y) with respect to any Permitted Acquisition for which the Acquisition Consideration is at least \$25,000,000, the Borrower Representative shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent a certificate of a Financial Officer of Holdings, setting forth reasonably detailed calculations demonstrating the satisfaction of the condition appearing in clause (x) above; and

(r) other Indebtedness in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$20,000,000 at any time outstanding.

SECTION 6.02 <u>Liens</u>. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, create, incur, assume or permit to exist any Lien on any property or asset now owned or hereafter acquired by it, except:

(a) (i) Liens created pursuant to any Loan Document and (ii) Liens securing Indebtedness under Section 6.01(a)(i) created pursuant to any Term Loan Document; <u>provided</u> that, in this case of this <u>clause (ii)</u>, (x) such Liens are subject to an Intercreditor Agreement providing that, other than with respect to the Term Loan Priority Collateral, such Liens are subordinated to the Liens securing the Secured Obligations in accordance with the terms of such Intercreditor Agreement and (y) any grantor of such Liens is a Loan Party;

(b) Permitted Encumbrances;

- (c) any Lien on any property or asset of any Borrower or any Subsidiary existing on the Effective Date and set forth in <u>Schedule 6.02</u> (including any extensions of any such Liens to the extent the Indebtedness is extended in accordance with <u>Section 6.01</u>); <u>provided</u> that (i) such Lien shall not apply to any other property or asset of such Borrower or Subsidiary and (ii) such Lien shall secure only those obligations which it secures on the Effective Date;
- (d) Liens on fixed or capital assets acquired, constructed or improved by any Borrower or any Subsidiary; <u>provided</u> that (i) such security interests secure Indebtedness permitted by <u>Section 6.01(e)</u>, (ii) such security interests and the Indebtedness secured thereby are incurred prior to or within ninety (90) days after such acquisition or the completion of such construction or improvement, (iii) the Indebtedness secured thereby does not exceed 100% of the cost of acquiring, constructing or improving such fixed or capital assets and (iv) such security interests shall not apply to any other property or assets of such Borrower or Subsidiary;
- (e) any Lien existing on any property or asset (other than Accounts and Inventory) prior to the acquisition thereof by any Borrower or any Subsidiary or existing on any property or asset (other than Accounts and Inventory) of any Person that becomes a Loan Party after the Effective Date prior to the time such Person becomes a Loan Party; provided that (i) such Lien is not created in contemplation of or in connection with such acquisition or such Person becoming a Loan Party, as the case may be, (ii) such Lien shall not apply to any other property or assets of the Loan Party and (iii) the obligation secured by such Lien is permitted by Section 6.01 and such Lien shall secure only those obligations which it secures on the date of such acquisition (including any extensions or modifications of any such obligations permitted by Section 6.01) or the date such Person becomes a Loan Party, as the case may be;

- (f) Liens of a collecting bank arising in the ordinary course of business under Section 4-208 of the Uniform Commercial Code in effect in the relevant jurisdiction covering only the items being collected upon;
 - (g) Liens arising out of Sale and Leaseback Transactions permitted by <u>Section 6.06</u>;
- (h) Liens granted by a Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party in favor of any Borrower or another Loan Party in respect of Indebtedness owed by such Subsidiary;
 - (i) precautionary UCC financing statements filed in connection with operating leases or consignments;
- (j) non-exclusive licenses and sublicenses of intellectual property or leases or subleases of real property, in each case, granted to third parties in the ordinary course of business not interfering with or adversely affecting the business of the Loan Parties or their Subsidiaries;
- (k) Liens attaching solely to cash earnest money deposits in connection with any letter of intent or purchase agreement in connection with a Permitted Investment or Permitted Acquisition;
 - (l) Liens in favor of customs and revenue authorities which secure payments of customs duties in connection with the importation of goods;
 - (m) Liens (including the right of set-off) in favor of a bank or other depository institution arising as a matter of law encumbering deposits;
- (n) Liens on property with an aggregate value not exceeding \$5,000,000 that is subject to conditional sale, title retention, consignment or similar arrangements;
- (o) Liens on the Dairyland HP Facility and any other assets of Dairyland HP that secure the Dairyland HP Indebtedness and related obligations under the New Markets Tax Credit Financing;
- (p) other Liens securing obligations in an aggregate principal amount at any time outstanding not to exceed \$5,000,000; <u>provided</u> that, in each case, if such Liens secure Indebtedness for borrowed money that are to be secured by the Collateral on a pari passu basis with, or junior basis to, the Liens that secure the Secured Obligations, the agent or other representative for the lenders or holders of any Indebtedness secured under this clause shall have become a party to the Intercreditor Agreement and/or another intercreditor agreement reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent;
 - (q) Liens representing any interest of a sublessee arising by virtue of being granted a sublease permitted by <u>Section 6.05(i)</u>; and
- (r) Liens securing Indebtedness permitted by <u>Section 6.01(p)</u> or any Indebtedness incurred in connection with a permitted refinancing thereof, in each case so long as such Liens do not have priority to the corresponding Liens that secure the Secured Obligations.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, none of the Liens permitted pursuant to this Section 6.02 may at any time attach to any Loan Party's (1) Accounts, other than those permitted under <u>clause (a)</u> of the definition of Permitted Encumbrances and <u>clause (a)</u> above, and (2) Inventory, other than those permitted under <u>clauses</u> (a) and (b) of the definition of Permitted Encumbrances and <u>clauses (a)</u>, (i), (l) and (n) above.

SECTION 6.03 Fundamental Changes. (a) No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, merge into or consolidate with any other Person, or permit any other Person to merge into or consolidate with it, or liquidate or dissolve, except that, if at the time thereof and immediately after giving effect thereto no Event of Default shall have occurred or be continuing (i) any Loan Party (other than Holdings) or Subsidiary thereof may merge into or consolidate with a Loan Party (other than Holdings) (so long as, in the case of a merger or consolidation involving a Loan Party, a Loan Party shall be the surviving entity of such merger or consolidation); (ii) any Loan Party (other than Holdings or any Borrower) or Subsidiary of the Borrowers may liquidate or dissolve into a Loan Party; (iii) any Subsidiary of a Loan Party may merge into or consolidate with a Person that is not a Loan Party (so long as in the case of a merger or consolidation involving a Loan Party, a Loan Party shall be the surviving entity of such merger or consolidation); and (iv) any Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party may liquidate or dissolve if the Loan Party which owns such Subsidiary determines in good faith that such liquidation or dissolution is in the best interest of the Loan Party and is not materially disadvantageous to the Lenders; provided, that (x) any such merger or consolidation hereunder involving a Person that is not a wholly owned Subsidiary immediately prior to such merger or consolidation shall not be permitted unless also permitted by Section 6.04, (y) any such merger or consolidation hereunder involving a Borrower in respect of which such Borrower is not the surviving entity shall not be permitted unless (1) the surviving entity is another Borrower or (2) the surviving entity shall have (A) executed and delivered to the Administrative Agent its assumption of the due and punctual performance and observance of each covenant and condition of this Agreement and each other Loan Document to which any Borrower not surviving such transaction was a party and (B) caused to be delivered to the Administrative Agent an opinion of nationally recognized independent counsel, or other independent counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, to the effect that all agreements or instruments effecting such assumption are enforceable in accordance with their terms and comply with the terms hereof, and (z) immediately after giving effect to any such merger, consolidation or other transaction hereunder, at least one (1) Borrower shall continue to remain in existence.

- (b) No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, engage in any business other than businesses of the type conducted by the Borrowers and their Subsidiaries on the Effective Date and businesses reasonably related thereto and logical extensions thereof.
- (c) The Loan Parties will not change the method of determining the Fiscal Year of Holdings and its Subsidiaries, unless Borrower Representative shall have given Administrative Agent at least 180 days' prior notice thereof and the parties hereto shall have made appropriate changes to this Agreement (it being acknowledged and agreed that the date of the Fiscal Year end may change by up to ten (10) days from year to year).
- (d) Holdings shall not engage in any business activities or own any property other than (i) ownership of the Equity Interests of the Borrowers, (ii) activities and contractual rights incidental to maintenance of its corporate or organizational existence and status as a public company and (iii) activities relating to the performance of its obligations under the Loan Documents and ABL Loan Documents to which it is a party.

SECTION 6.04 Investments, Loans, Advances, Guarantees and Acquisitions. No Loan Party will form any subsidiary after the Effective Date, or purchase, hold or acquire (including pursuant to any merger with any Person that was not a Loan Party and a wholly owned Subsidiary prior to such merger) any evidences of indebtedness or Equity Interest of, make or permit to exist any loans or advances to, Guarantee any obligations of, or make or permit to exist any investment or any other interest in, any other Person, or purchase or otherwise acquire (in one transaction or a series of transactions) any assets of any other Person constituting a business unit (whether through purchase of assets, merger or otherwise), or permit any Subsidiary to do any of the foregoing, except:

- (a) Permitted Investments, subject, to the extent required by the Security Agreement, to control agreements in favor of the Administrative Agent or otherwise subject to a perfected security interest in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Lenders and the other Secured Parties (subject to any grace periods in the Security Agreement for delivering such control agreements or otherwise perfecting such security interest);
 - (b) investments in existence on the Effective Date and described in <u>Schedule 6.04</u>;
- (c) investments by Holdings in the Borrowers and investments by the Borrowers and the Subsidiaries in Equity Interests in their respective Subsidiaries that are Loan Parties; <u>provided</u> that any such Equity Interests shall be pledged in accordance with the Security Agreement (subject to any grace periods therein for perfecting such security interest);
- (d) loans or advances made by any Loan Party to any Subsidiary and made by any Subsidiary to any Loan Party; <u>provided</u> that, not more than an aggregate principal amount of \$6,000,000 in loans and advances may be made and remain outstanding, at any time, by Loan Parties to Subsidiaries which are not Loan Parties;
 - (e) Guarantees constituting Indebtedness permitted by <u>Section 6.01</u>;
- (f) loans or advances made by a Loan Party to its employees on an arms-length basis in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practices for travel and entertainment expenses, relocation costs and similar purposes up to a maximum of \$2,500,000 in the aggregate at any one time outstanding;
- (g) subject to <u>Sections 4.2(a)</u> and <u>4.4</u> of the Security Agreement, notes payable, or stock or other securities issued by Account Debtors to a Loan Party pursuant to negotiated agreements with respect to settlement of such Account Debtor's Accounts in the ordinary course of business, consistent with past practices;
 - (h) investments in the form of Swap Agreements permitted by <u>Section 6.07</u>;
- (i) investments of any Person existing at the time such Person becomes a Subsidiary of a Borrower or consolidates or merges with a Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries, in either case, in accordance with the terms hereof (including in connection with a Permitted Acquisition) so long as such investments were not made in contemplation of such Person becoming a Subsidiary or of such merger;
 - (j) investments received in connection with the dispositions of assets permitted by <u>Section 6.05</u>;
 - (k) investments constituting deposits described in <u>clauses (c)</u> and (<u>d)</u> of the definition of the term "Permitted Encumbrances";
 - (l) Permitted Acquisitions;
- (m) Indebtedness permitted pursuant to <u>Section 6.01</u> or any Restricted Payment permitted pursuant to <u>Section 6.08</u>, in each case, to the extent such Indebtedness or Restricted Payment constitutes an investment;
- (n) any investments received in compromise or resolution of (x) obligations of trade creditors or customers incurred in the ordinary course of business of the Borrowers, including pursuant to any plan of reorganization or similar arrangement upon the bankruptcy or insolvency of any trade creditor or customer or (y) litigation, arbitration or other disputes with persons who are not Affiliates; <u>provided</u>, that any such investments shall be pledged in accordance with the Security Agreement (subject to any grace periods therein for perfecting such security interest);

- (o) receivables owing to the Borrowers or any of their respective Subsidiaries created in the ordinary course of business and payable or in accordance with customary trade terms;
- (p) to the extent the same constitute investments, inventory of non-Loan Parties held by the Borrowers for sale subject to consignment or similar arrangements;
 - (q) investments in wholly-owned Domestic Subsidiaries that become Loan Parties in accordance with Section 5.13; and
- (r) any other investments (other than Permitted Acquisitions); <u>provided</u> that, both immediately before and immediately after giving pro forma effect to any such investment pursuant to this <u>clause (r)</u>, no Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing and the Payment Condition shall be satisfied with respect to such Investment.
- SECTION 6.05 <u>Asset Sales</u>. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, sell, transfer, lease or otherwise dispose of any asset, including any Equity Interest owned by it or income or revenues (including accounts receivable) or rights in respect of any thereof, nor will any Borrower or any Subsidiary issue any additional Equity Interest (other than to another Borrower or another Subsidiary in compliance with <u>Section 6.04</u>), except:
- (a) sales, transfers and dispositions of (i) inventory in the ordinary course of business (including inventory held for sale pursuant to Section 6.04(p)), (ii) used, obsolete, worn out or surplus equipment or property in the ordinary course of business, (iii) securities of trade creditors or customers received pursuant to any dispute settlement, plan of reorganization or similar arrangement following the bankruptcy or insolvency of such trade creditor or customer and (iv) intellectual property that is no longer material to the conduct of the business of the Loan Parties;
 - (b) sales, transfers and dispositions of assets to any Borrower or any other Loan Party;
 - (c) sales, transfers and dispositions of accounts receivable in connection with the compromise, settlement or collection thereof;
 - (d) sales, transfers and dispositions of Permitted Investments and other investments permitted by clauses (i) and (k) of Section 6.04;
 - (e) Sale and Leaseback Transactions permitted by <u>Section 6.06</u>;
- (f) dispositions resulting from any casualty or other insured damage to, or any taking under power of eminent domain or by condemnation or similar proceeding of, any property or asset of any Borrower or any Subsidiary;
 - (g) licenses and sublicenses of intellectual property granted in the ordinary course of business;
- (h) subleases entered into in the ordinary course of business, to the extent that they do not materially interfere with the business of Holdings and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole; and

(i) other sales, transfers and dispositions of assets; <u>provided</u> that, both immediately before and immediately after giving pro forma effect to such sales, transfers or dispositions, no Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing and the Payment Condition shall be satisfied;

<u>provided</u> that all sales, transfers, leases and other dispositions permitted hereby (other than those permitted by <u>paragraphs (b)</u> and (<u>f)</u> above and abandonment of intellectual property no longer material to the business of the Loan Parties) shall be made for fair value and for all cash consideration.

SECTION 6.06 Sale and Leaseback Transactions. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, enter into any arrangement, directly or indirectly, whereby it shall sell or transfer any property, real or personal, used or useful in its business, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, and thereafter rent or lease such property or other property that it intends to use for substantially the same purpose or purposes as the property sold or transferred (a "Sale and Leaseback Transaction"), except for any such sale of any fixed or capital assets by the Borrowers or any Subsidiary that is approved by the Required Lenders, made for cash consideration in an amount not less than the fair value of such fixed or capital asset and consummated within ninety (90) days after the Borrowers or such Subsidiary acquire or complete the construction of such fixed or capital asset.

SECTION 6.07 <u>Swap Agreements</u>. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, enter into any Swap Agreement, except (a) Swap Agreements entered into to hedge or mitigate risks to which any Borrower or any Subsidiary has actual exposure (other than those in respect of Equity Interests of any Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries), (b) Swap Agreements entered into in order to effectively cap, collar or exchange interest rates (from floating to fixed rates, from one floating rate to another floating rate or otherwise) with respect to any interest-bearing liability or investment of any Borrower or any Subsidiary and (c) Permitted Call Spread Swap Agreements.

SECTION 6.08 Restricted Payments; Certain Payments of Indebtedness. (a) No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, declare or make, or agree to pay or make, directly or indirectly, any Restricted Payment, or incur any obligation (contingent or otherwise) to do so, except, (x) any Loan Party may make a Permitted Holdings Dividend and (y) so long as no Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or would result therefrom (including after giving effect thereto on a pro forma basis), (i) each of Holdings and the Borrowers may declare and pay dividends with respect to its common stock payable solely in additional shares of its common stock, and, with respect to its preferred stock, payable solely in additional shares of such preferred stock or in shares of its common stock, (ii) Subsidiaries may declare and pay dividends to the Borrowers, (iii) the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries may make Restricted Payments payable solely in the form of their Equity Interests pursuant to and in accordance with employment agreements, bonus plans, stock option plans, or other benefit plans for existing, new and former management, directors, employees and consultants of the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries, (iv) Holdings and its Subsidiaries may make any other Restricted Payment so long as the aggregate amount of all such Restricted Payments made in reliance on this clause (iv) during the term of this Agreement shall not exceed \$5,000,000, (v) Holdings and its Subsidiaries may make any other Restricted Payment so long as (A) the aggregate amount of Restricted Payments made in reliance on this clause (v) during the term of this Agreement shall not exceed \$30,000,000 and (B) both immediately before and after giving pro forma effect to such Restricted Payment, the Payment Condition shall be satisfied with respect to such Restricted Payment and (vi) Holdings may enter into, exercise its rights and perform its obligations under, Permitted Call Spread Swap Agreements.

(b) No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, make or agree to pay or make, directly or indirectly, any payment or other distribution (whether in cash, securities or other property) of or in respect of principal of or interest on any Indebtedness, or any payment or other distribution (whether in cash, securities or other property), including any sinking fund or similar deposit, on account of the purchase, redemption, retirement, acquisition, cancellation or termination of any Indebtedness, except:

- (i) payment of Indebtedness created under the Loan Documents;
- (ii) payment of regularly scheduled interest and principal payments as and when due in respect of any Indebtedness permitted under this Agreement, other than payments in respect of the Subordinated Indebtedness prohibited by the subordination provisions thereof;
 - (iii) payment of intercompany Indebtedness incurred in accordance with Section 6.01;
 - (iv) refinancings of Indebtedness to the extent permitted by <u>Section 6.01</u>;
- (v) payment of secured Indebtedness that becomes due as a result of the voluntary sale or transfer of the property or assets securing such Indebtedness so long as the proceeds of such sale are sufficient to repay such Indebtedness in full;
- (vi) payments made in respect of the sinking fund requirement under the New Markets Tax Credit Financing, so long as (i) after giving effect to such payment, the aggregate amount of all such payments does not exceed the then outstanding principal amount of the Dairyland HP Indebtedness, and (ii) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would be caused by such payment;
- (vii) mandatory prepayments of Indebtedness under the Term Loan Agreement to the extent not prohibited by the Intercreditor Agreement;
- (viii) issuance of Equity Interests, or making cash payments (other than in connection with Permitted Convertible Seller Notes), in connection with or as part of the conversion, redemption, retirement, prepayment or cancellation of any Permitted Convertible Notes;
- (ix) payment of regularly scheduled interest payments in respect of Permitted Convertible Seller Notes permitted pursuant to clause (i) of Section 6.01(j) hereof, so long as no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would be caused by such payment; and
- (x) any other payments, so long as (i) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would be caused by such payment and (ii) the Loan Parties shall have satisfied the Payment Condition with respect to such payment;

<u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that no such payment or distribution shall be made in respect of the Term Loan Obligations in violation of the Intercreditor Agreement or in respect of any Subordinated Indebtedness in violation of the subordination provisions applicable thereto.

(c) No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, make, directly or indirectly, any Specified Earn-Out Payment, unless no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would be caused by such Specified Earn-Out Payment.

SECTION 6.09 <u>Transactions with Affiliates</u>. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, sell, lease or otherwise transfer any property or assets to, or purchase, lease or otherwise acquire any property or assets from, or otherwise engage in any other transactions with, any of its Affiliates, except (a) transactions that (i) are in the ordinary course of business and (ii) are at prices and on terms and conditions not less favorable to such Loan Party or such Subsidiary than could be obtained on an arm's-length basis from unrelated third parties,

(b) transactions between or among any Borrower and any Subsidiary that is a Loan Party not involving any other Affiliate, (c) transactions that are otherwise expressly permitted by the terms of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, (d) transactions set forth on Schedule 3.22; provided that any renewal or extension of the leases set forth on such schedule shall be, in the Borrower Representative's reasonable discretion, on terms no less favorable to the Loan Parties than could be obtained on an arm's-length basis from unrelated parties and (e) the Master Operating Sublease, dated on April 26, 2012, between Dairyland and Dairyland HP, relating to the Dairyland HP Facility, as the same may be amended from time to time.

SECTION 6.10 Restrictive Agreements. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, enter into, incur or permit to exist any agreement or other arrangement that prohibits, restricts or imposes any condition upon (a) the ability of such Loan Party or Subsidiary to create, incur or permit to exist any Lien upon any of its property or assets, or (b) the ability of any Subsidiary to pay dividends or other distributions with respect to any Equity Interests or to make or repay loans or advances to any other Loan Party or Subsidiary or to Guarantee Indebtedness of any other Loan Party or Subsidiary; provided that (i) the foregoing shall not apply to restrictions and conditions imposed by law, by any Loan Document or any Term Loan Document, (ii) the foregoing shall not apply to restrictions and conditions existing on the Effective Date identified on Schedule 6.10 (but shall apply to any extension or renewal of, or any amendment or modification expanding the scope of, any such restriction or condition), (iii) the foregoing shall not apply to customary restrictions and conditions contained in agreements relating to the sale of a Subsidiary pending such sale, provided such restrictions and conditions apply only to the Subsidiary that is to be sold and such sale is permitted hereunder, (iv) clause (a) of the foregoing shall not apply to restrictions or conditions imposed by any agreement relating to secured Indebtedness permitted by this Agreement if such restrictions or conditions apply only to the property or assets securing such Indebtedness as permitted by this Agreement, (v) clause (a) of the foregoing shall not apply to Excluded Assets and customary provisions in leases or licenses restricting the assignment thereof or the grant of a security interest therein, in each case, to the extent such provisions are required by the parties thereto and not bargained for by any Loan Party or Subsidiary, and (vi) the foregoing shall not apply to restrictions and conditions contained in agreemen

SECTION 6.11 <u>Amendment of Material Documents</u>. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, amend, modify or waive any of its rights under (a) any agreement relating to any Subordinated Indebtedness or any Term Loan Obligation, in each case, except as not prohibited by the intercreditor agreement between the Administrative Agent and the holders of such Indebtedness or (b) its charter, articles or certificate of incorporation or organization, by-laws, operating, management or partnership agreement or other organizational or governing documents, in each case, to the extent any such amendment, modification or waiver would be adverse to the Lenders.

SECTION 6.12 <u>Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio.</u> During any FCCR Test Period, the Borrowers will not permit the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio as of the last day of any period of four fiscal quarters ending during such FCCR Test Period, to be less than 1.00 to 1.00.

ARTICLE VII.

EVENTS OF DEFAULT

If any of the following events (collectively, "Events of Default," and, each, an "Event of Default") shall occur:

- (a) the Borrowers shall fail to pay any principal of any Loan or any reimbursement obligation in respect of any LC Disbursement when and as the same shall become due and payable, whether at the due date thereof or at a date fixed for prepayment thereof or otherwise;
- (b) the Borrowers shall fail to pay any interest on any Loan or any fee or any other amount (other than an amount referred to in <u>clause (a)</u> of this Article) payable under this Agreement or any other Loan Document, when and as the same shall become due and payable, and such failure shall continue unremedied for a period of three (3) Business Days;
- (c) any representation or warranty made or deemed made by or on behalf of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary in, or in connection with, this Agreement or any other Loan Document or any amendment or modification hereof or thereof or waiver hereunder or thereunder, or in any report, certificate, financial statement or other document furnished pursuant to or in connection with this Agreement or any other Loan Document or any amendment or modification hereof or thereof or waiver hereunder or thereunder, shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or deemed made;
- (d) (i) any Loan Party shall fail to observe or perform any covenant, condition or agreement contained in (x) Section 5.02(a), 5.03 (with respect to a Loan Party's existence), 5.08, 5.14 or 5.15 or in Article VI or (y) Article VII of the Security Agreement (during the continuation of a Cash Dominion Period but otherwise subject to a three (3) day grace period, to the extent that such failure is capable of being cured) or (ii) the Borrower Representative fails to deliver a Borrowing Base Certificate and, in the case of this <u>clause (ii)</u>, such failure shall continue for a period of five (5) Business Days (when required to be delivered monthly) or three (3) Business Days (when required to be delivered weekly);
- (e) any Loan Party shall fail to observe or perform any covenant, condition or agreement contained in this Agreement (other than those which constitute a default under another Section of this Article), and such failure shall continue unremedied for a period of (i) five (5) days after the earlier of (x) an Authorized Officer of any Loan Party obtaining actual knowledge of such failure and (y) notice thereof from the Administrative Agent to the Borrower Representative (which notice will be given at the request of any Lender), if such breach relates to terms or provisions of Section 5.01 (other than Section 5.01(a) and 5.01(b)), 5.02 (other than Section 5.02(a)), 5.04, 5.06 (relating to field examinations), 5.10 or 5.11 of this Agreement, (ii) ten (10) days after the earlier of (x) an Authorized Officer of any Loan Party obtaining actual knowledge of such failure and (y) notice thereof from the Administrative Agent to the Borrower Representative (which notice will be given at the request of any Loan Party obtaining actual knowledge of such failure and (y) notice thereof from the Administrative Agent to the Borrower Representative (which notice will be given at the request of any Lender), if such breach relates to terms or provisions of any other Section of this Agreement or any other Loan Document;
- (f) any Loan Party or any Subsidiary shall fail to make any payment (whether of principal, or interest, fees or any other amount and regardless of amount) in respect of the Term Loan Obligations or any other Material Indebtedness, when and as the same shall become due and payable (after giving effect to any applicable grace periods);
- (g) after giving effect to any applicable grace periods with respect thereto, any event or condition occurs that results in the Term Loan Obligations or any other Material Indebtedness becoming due prior to its scheduled maturity or that enables or permits the holder or holders of the Term Loan Obligations or any Material Indebtedness or any trustee or agent on its or their behalf to cause any of the Term Loan Obligations or any Material Indebtedness, as applicable, to become due, or to require the prepayment, repurchase, redemption or defeasance thereof, prior to its scheduled maturity;

provided that this <u>clause (g)</u> shall not apply to (i) secured Indebtedness that becomes due as a result of the voluntary sale or transfer of the property or assets securing such Indebtedness in accordance with the terms hereof so long as the proceeds of such sale are sufficient to repay such Indebtedness in full, (ii) mandatory prepayments of the Term Loan Obligations required by the Term Loan Agreement, but subject to terms of the Intercreditor Agreement, (iii) any redemption, repurchase, conversion or settlement with respect to any Permitted Convertible Notes pursuant to their terms unless such redemption, repurchase, conversion or settlement results from a default thereunder or an event of the type that constitutes an Event of Default or (iv) any early payment requirement or unwinding or termination with respect to any Permitted Call Spread Swap Agreement;

- (h) (A) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed seeking (i) liquidation, reorganization or other relief in respect of a Loan Party or any Subsidiary of any Loan Party or its debts, or of a substantial part of its assets, under any Federal, state or foreign bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar law now or hereafter in effect or (ii) the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator or similar official for any Loan Party or any Subsidiary of any Loan Party or for a substantial part of its assets, and, in any such case, such proceeding or petition shall continue undismissed for sixty (60) days or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered or (B) the occurrence of the event described in <u>clause (h)</u> of Article VII of the Term Loan Agreement (as in effect on the date hereof);
- (i) (A) any Loan Party or any Subsidiary of any Loan Party shall (i) voluntarily commence any proceeding or file any petition seeking liquidation, reorganization or other relief under any Federal, state or foreign bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar law now or hereafter in effect, (ii) consent to the institution of, or fail to contest in a timely and appropriate manner, any proceeding or petition described in <u>clause (h)</u> of this Article, (iii) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator or similar official for such Loan Party or Subsidiary of any Loan Party or for a substantial part of its assets, (iv) file an answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any such proceeding, (v) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors or (vi) take any action for the purpose of effecting any of the foregoing or (B) the occurrence of the event described in <u>clause (i)</u> of Article VII of the Term Loan Agreement (as in effect on the date hereof);
- (j) any Loan Party or any Subsidiary of any Loan Party shall become unable, admit in writing its inability, or publicly declare its intention not to, or fail generally to pay its debts as they become due;
- (k) (i) one or more judgments for the payment of money in an aggregate amount in excess of \$10,000,000, including, without limitation, any such final order enforcing a binding arbitration decision, shall be rendered against any Loan Party, any Subsidiary of any Loan Party or any combination thereof and the same shall remain undischarged for a period of forty-five (45) consecutive days during which execution shall not be effectively stayed, or any action shall be legally taken by a judgment creditor to attach or levy upon any assets of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary of any Loan Party to enforce any such judgment or (ii) any Loan Party or Subsidiary shall fail within forty-five (45) days to discharge one or more non-monetary judgments or orders which, individually or in the aggregate, would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, which judgments or orders, in any such case, are not stayed on appeal or otherwise being appropriately contested in good faith by proper proceedings diligently pursued; provided, however, that no Event of Default shall occur under this clause (k) if and for so long as (i) the full amount of such judgment, order or award is covered by a valid and binding policy of insurance and (ii) such insurer has been notified of such judgment, and the amount thereof, and has not disputed or contested the claim made for payment of the full amount of such judgment, order or award under such policy;

- (l) an ERISA Event shall have occurred that when taken together with all other ERISA Events that have occurred, would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;
 - (m) a Change in Control shall occur;
- (n) the Loan Guaranty shall fail to remain in full force or effect or any action shall be taken to discontinue or to assert the invalidity or unenforceability of the Loan Guaranty, or any Loan Guarantor shall fail to comply with any of the terms or provisions of the Loan Guaranty to which it is a party, or any Loan Guarantor shall deny that it has any further liability under the Loan Guaranty to which it is a party, or shall give notice to such effect;
- (o) except as permitted by the terms of any Collateral Document, the Intercreditor Agreement or this Agreement, (i) any Collateral Document shall for any reason fail to create or keep created a valid security interest in any material portion of the Collateral purported to be covered thereby, or (ii) other than as a result of the failure of the Administrative Agent to take any action within its control to maintain perfection of the Liens created in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties pursuant to the Loan Documents (excluding any action based on facts or circumstances for which the Administrative Agent has not been notified in accordance with the provisions of the Loan Documents), any Lien securing any material portion of the Secured Obligations shall cease to be a perfected Lien having the priority required by the Loan Documents;
- (p) except as permitted by the terms of any Collateral Document, any action shall be taken to discontinue or to assert the invalidity or unenforceability of any Collateral Document;
- (q) any Loan Party shall fail to be in substantial compliance with all current applicable statutes, rules, regulations, guides, policies, orders or directives administered or issued by the FDA or a recall notice, in each case, to the extent such failure would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; or
- (r) (i) any material provision of any Loan Document for any reason ceases to be valid, binding and enforceable in accordance with its terms or (ii) any Loan Party shall challenge the enforceability of any Loan Document or shall assert in writing, or engage in any action or inaction based on any such assertion, that any provision of any of the Loan Documents has ceased to be or otherwise is not valid, binding and enforceable in accordance with its terms;

then, and in every such event (other than an event with respect to the Loan Parties described in <u>clause (h)</u> or (i) of this Article), and at any time thereafter during the continuance of such event, the Administrative Agent may, and at the request of the Required Lenders shall, by notice to the Borrower Representative, take either or both of the following actions, at the same or different times: (i) terminate the Commitments, whereupon the Commitments shall terminate immediately, and (ii) declare the Loans then outstanding to be due and payable in whole (or in part, in which case any principal not so declared to be due and payable may thereafter be declared to be due and payable), whereupon the principal of the Loans so declared to be due and payable, together with accrued interest thereon and all fees and other obligations of the Borrowers accrued hereunder, shall become due and payable immediately, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby waived by the Borrowers; and in case of any event with respect to the Loan Parties described in <u>clause (h)</u> or (i) of this Article, the Commitments shall automatically terminate and the principal of the Loans then outstanding, together with accrued interest thereon and all fees and other obligations of the Loan Parties accrued hereunder, shall automatically become due and payable, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby waived by the Loan Parties. Upon the occurrence and the continuance of an Event of Default, the Administrative Agent may, in accordance with and subject to the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement, and at the request of the Required Lenders shall, exercise any rights and remedies provided to the Administrative Agent under the Loan Documents or at law or equity, including all remedies provided under the UCC.

ARTICLE VIII.

THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT

SECTION 8.01 Appointment. Each of the Lenders, on behalf of itself and any of its Affiliates that are Secured Parties, and each Issuing Bank hereby irrevocably appoints the Administrative Agent as its agent and authorizes the Administrative Agent to take such actions on its behalf, including execution of the other Loan Documents, and to exercise such powers as are delegated to the Administrative Agent by the terms of the Loan Documents, together with such actions and powers as are reasonably incidental thereto. In addition, to the extent required under the laws of any jurisdiction other than the U.S., each of the Lenders and the Issuing Bank hereby grants to the Administrative Agent any required powers of attorney to execute any Collateral Document governed by the laws of such jurisdiction on such Lender's or Issuing Bank's behalf. The provisions of this Article are solely for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders (including the Swingline Lender and the Issuing Bank), and the Loan Parties shall not have rights as a third party beneficiary of any of such provisions. It is understood and agreed that the use of the term "agent" as used herein or in any other Loan Documents (or any similar term) with reference to the Administrative Agent is not intended to connote any fiduciary or other implied (or express) obligations arising under agency doctrine of any applicable law. Instead, such term is used as a matter of market custom, and is intended to create or reflect only an administrative relationship between independent contracting parties.

SECTION 8.02 <u>Rights as a Lender</u>. The bank serving as the Administrative Agent hereunder shall have the same rights and powers in its capacity as a Lender as any other Lender and may exercise the same as though it were not the Administrative Agent, and such bank and its Affiliates may accept deposits from, lend money to and generally engage in any kind of business with any Loan Party or any Subsidiary or any Affiliate thereof as if it were not the Administrative Agent hereunder.

SECTION 8.03 <u>Duties and Obligations</u>. The Administrative Agent shall not have any duties or obligations except those expressly set forth in the Loan Documents. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, (a) the Administrative Agent shall not be subject to any fiduciary or other implied duties, regardless of whether a Default has occurred and is continuing, (b) the Administrative Agent shall not have any duty to take any discretionary action or exercise any discretionary powers, except discretionary rights and powers expressly contemplated by the Loan Documents that the Administrative Agent is required to exercise as directed in writing by the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary under the circumstances as provided in Section 9.02), and, (c) except as expressly set forth in the Loan Documents, the Administrative Agent shall not have any duty to disclose, and shall not be liable for the failure to disclose, any information relating to any Loan Party or any Subsidiary that is communicated to or obtained by the bank serving as Administrative Agent or any of its Affiliates in any capacity. The Administrative Agent shall not be liable for any action taken or not taken by it with the consent or at the request of the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary under the circumstances as provided in Section 9.02) or in the absence of its own gross negligence or willful misconduct as determined by a final nonappealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction. The Administrative Agent shall be deemed not to have knowledge of any Default unless and until written notice thereof is given to the Administrative Agent by the Borrower Representative or a Lender, and the Administrative Agent shall not be responsible for or have any duty to ascertain or inquire into (i) any statement, warranty or representation made in or in connection with any Loan Document,

(ii) the contents of any certificate, report or other document delivered hereunder or in connection with any Loan Document, (iii) the performance or observance of any of the covenants, agreements or other terms or conditions set forth in any Loan Document, (iv) the validity, enforceability, effectiveness or genuineness of any Loan Document or any other agreement, instrument or document, (v) the creation, perfection or priority of Liens on the Collateral or the existence of the Collateral, or (vi) the satisfaction of any condition set forth in Article IV or elsewhere in any Loan Document, other than to confirm receipt of items expressly required to be delivered to the Administrative Agent.

SECTION 8.04 <u>Reliance</u>. The Administrative Agent shall be entitled to rely upon, and shall not incur any liability for relying upon, any notice, request, certificate, consent, statement, instrument, document or other writing believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or sent by the proper Person. The Administrative Agent also may rely upon any statement made to it orally or by telephone and believed by it to be made by the proper Person, and shall not incur any liability for relying thereon. The Administrative Agent may consult with legal counsel (who may be counsel for the Borrowers), independent accountants and other experts selected by it, and shall not be liable for any action taken or not taken by it in accordance with the advice of any such counsel, accountants or experts.

SECTION 8.05 <u>Actions through Sub-Agents</u>. The Administrative Agent may perform any and all of its duties and exercise its rights and powers by or through any one or more sub-agents appointed by the Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent and any such sub-agent may perform any and all of its duties and exercise its rights and powers through their respective Related Parties. The exculpatory provisions of the preceding paragraphs shall apply to any such sub-agent and to the Related Parties of the Administrative Agent and any such sub-agent, and shall apply to their respective activities in connection with the syndication of the credit facilities provided for herein as well as activities as the Administrative Agent.

SECTION 8.06 Resignation. Subject to the appointment and acceptance of a successor Administrative Agent as provided in this paragraph, the Administrative Agent may resign at any time by notifying the Lenders, the Issuing Bank and the Borrower Representative. Upon any such resignation, the Required Lenders shall have the right, in consultation with the Borrowers, to appoint a successor. If no successor shall have been so appointed by the Required Lenders and shall have accepted such appointment within thirty (30) days after the retiring Administrative Agent gives notice of its resignation, then the retiring Administrative Agent may, on behalf of the Lenders and the Issuing Bank, appoint a successor Administrative Agent which shall be a bank with an office in New York, New York, or an Affiliate of any such bank. Upon the acceptance of its appointment as Administrative Agent hereunder by its successor, such successor shall succeed to and become vested with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring Administrative Agent, and the retiring Administrative Agent shall be discharged from its duties and obligations hereunder and under the other Loan Documents. The fees payable by the Borrowers to a successor Administrative Agent shall be the same as those payable to its predecessor, unless otherwise agreed by the Borrowers and such successor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event no successor Administrative Agent shall have been so appointed and shall have accepted such appointment within thirty (30) days after the retiring Administrative Agent gives notice of its intent to resign, the retiring Administrative Agent may give notice of the effectiveness of its resignation to the Lenders, the Issuing Banks and the Borrowers, whereupon, on the date of effectiveness of such resignation stated in such notice, (a) the retiring Administrative Agent shall be discharged from its duties and obligations hereunder and under the other Loan Documents, provided that, solely for purposes of maintaining any security interest granted to the Administrative Agent under any Collateral Document for the benefit of the Secured Parties, the retiring Administrative Agent shall continue to be vested with such security interest as collateral agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties and, in the case of any Collateral in the possession of the Administrative Agent, shall continue to hold such Collateral, in each case until such time as a successor Administrative Agent is appointed and accepts such appointment in accordance with this paragraph (it being understood and agreed that the retiring Administrative Agent shall have no duly or obligation to take any further action under any Collateral Document, including any action required to maintain the perfection of any such security interest),

and (b) the Required Lenders shall succeed to and become vested with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring Administrative Agent, provided that (i) all payments required to be made hereunder or under any other Loan Document to the Administrative Agent for the account of any Person other than the Administrative Agent shall be made directly to such Person and (ii) all notices and other communications required or contemplated to be given or made to the Administrative Agent shall also directly be given or made to each Lender and each Issuing Bank. Following the effectiveness of the Administrative Agent's resignation from its capacity as such, the provisions of this Article, Section 2.17(d) and Section 9.03, as well as any exculpatory, reimbursement and indemnification provisions set forth in any other Loan Document, shall continue in effect for the benefit of such retiring Administrative Agent, its sub-agents and their respective Related Parties in respect of any actions taken or omitted to be taken by any of them while it was acting as Administrative Agent and in respect of the matters referred to in the proviso under clause (a) above.

SECTION 8.07 Non-Reliance.

- (a) Each Lender acknowledges and agrees that the extensions of credit made hereunder are commercial loans and letters of credit and not investments in a business enterprise or securities. Each Lender further represents that it is engaged in making, acquiring or holding commercial loans in the ordinary course of its business and has, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent or any other Lender and based on such documents and information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own credit analysis and decision to enter into this Agreement as a Lender, and to make, acquire or hold Loans hereunder. Each Lender shall, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent or any other Lender and based on such documents and information (which may contain material, non-public information within the meaning of the United States securities laws concerning the Borrowers and their Affiliates) as it shall from time to time deem appropriate, continue to make its own decisions in taking or not taking action under or based upon this Agreement, any other Loan Document, any related agreement or any document furnished hereunder or thereunder and in deciding whether or to the extent to which it will continue as a Lender or assign or otherwise transfer its rights, interests and obligations hereunder.
- (b) Each Lender hereby agrees that (i) it has requested a copy of each Report prepared by or on behalf of the Administrative Agent; (ii) the Administrative Agent (A) makes no representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the completeness or accuracy of any Report or any of the information contained therein or any inaccuracy or omission contained in or relating to a Report and (B) shall not be liable for any information contained in any Report; (iii) the Reports are not comprehensive audits or examinations, and that any Person performing any field examination will inspect only specific information regarding the Loan Parties and will rely significantly upon the Loan Parties' books and records, as well as on representations of the Loan Parties' personnel and that the Administrative Agent undertakes no obligation to update, correct or supplement the Reports; (iv) it will keep all Reports confidential and strictly for its internal use, not share the Report with any Loan Party or any other Person except as otherwise permitted pursuant to this Agreement; and (v) without limiting the generality of any other indemnification provision contained in this Agreement, (A) it will hold the Administrative Agent and any such other Person preparing a Report harmless from any action the indemnifying Lender may take or conclusion the indemnifying Lender may reach or draw from any Report in connection with any extension of credit that the indemnifying Lender has made or may make to the Borrower, or the indemnifying Lender's participation in, or the indemnifying Lender's purchase of, a Loan or Loans; and (B) it will pay and protect, and indemnify, defend, and hold the Administrative Agent and any such other Person preparing a Report harmless from and against, the claims, actions, proceedings, damages, costs, expenses, and other amounts (including reasonable attorneys' fees) incurred by the Administrative Agent or any such other Person as the direct or indirect result of any third parties who might obtain all or part of any Re

SECTION 8.08 Other Agency Titles. The Co-Syndication Agents and Lead Arranger shall not have any right, power, obligation, liability, responsibility or duty under this Agreement other than those applicable to all Lenders as such. Without limiting the foregoing, none of such Lenders shall have or be deemed to have a fiduciary relationship with any Lender. Each Lender hereby makes the same acknowledgments with respect to the relevant Lenders in their respective capacities as Co-Syndication Agent or Lead Arranger, as applicable, as it makes with respect to the Administrative Agent in the preceding paragraph.

SECTION 8.09 Not Partners or Co-Venturers; Administrative Agent as Representative of the Secured Parties.

- (a) The Lenders are not partners or co-venturers, and no Lender shall be liable for the acts or omissions of, or (except as otherwise set forth herein in case of the Administrative Agent) authorized to act for, any other Lender. The Administrative Agent shall have the exclusive right on behalf of the Lenders to enforce the payment of the principal of and interest on any Loan after the date such principal or interest has become due and payable pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.
- (b) In its capacity, the Administrative Agent is a "representative" of the Secured Parties within the meaning of the term "secured party" as defined in the New York Uniform Commercial Code. Each Lender authorizes the Administrative Agent to enter into each of the Collateral Documents to which it is a party and to take all action contemplated by such documents. Each Lender agrees that no Secured Party (other than the Administrative Agent) shall have the right individually to seek to realize upon the security granted by any Collateral Document, it being understood and agreed that such rights and remedies may be exercised solely by the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties upon the terms of the Collateral Documents. In the event that any Collateral is hereafter pledged by any Person as collateral security for the Secured Obligations, the Administrative Agent is hereby authorized, and hereby granted a power of attorney, to execute and deliver on behalf of the Secured Parties any Loan Documents necessary or appropriate to grant and perfect a Lien on such Collateral in favor of the Administrative Agent on behalf of the Secured Parties.

SECTION 8.10 Flood Laws. JPMCB has adopted internal policies and procedures that address requirements placed on federally regulated lenders under the National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994 and related legislation (the "Flood Laws"). JPMCB, as administrative agent or collateral agent on a syndicated facility, will post on the applicable electronic platform (or otherwise distribute to each Lender in the syndicate) documents that it receives in connection with the Flood Laws. However, JPMCB reminds each Lender and Participant in the facility that, pursuant to the Flood Laws, each federally regulated Lender (whether acting as a Lender or Participant in the facility) is responsible for assuring its own compliance with the flood insurance requirements.

ARTICLE IX.

MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 9.01 Notices. (a) Except in the case of notices and other communications expressly permitted to be given by telephone or Electronic Systems (and subject, in each case, to <u>paragraph (b)</u> below), all notices and other communications provided for herein shall be in writing and shall be delivered by hand or overnight courier service, mailed by certified or registered mail or sent by facsimile, as follows:

(i) if to any Loan Party, to the Borrower Representative at:

The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. 100 East Ridge Road Ridgefield, CT 06877

Attention: Alexandros Aldous

Telephone: (203) 894-1345, Ext. 10211

Facsimile: (203) 894-9108

With a copy (in the case of an actual or potential Default, Event of Default, non-compliance with this Agreement or any other similar matter) to:

Shearman & Sterling LLP 599 Lexington Avenue New York, NY 10022 Attention: Patrick Flanagan Telephone: (212) 848-5261 Facsimile: (646) 848-5261

(ii) if to the Administrative Agent, JPMCB in its capacity as an Issuing Bank or the Swingline Lender, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. at:

277 Park Avenue, 22nd Floor New York, New York 10172

Attention: Account Executive – The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc.

Facsimile No: (646) 534-2274

(iii) if to any other Lender or Issuing Bank, to it at its address or facsimile number set forth in its Administrative Questionnaire.

All such notices and other communications (i) sent by hand or overnight courier service, or mailed by certified or registered mail, shall be deemed to have been given when received, (ii) sent by facsimile shall be deemed to have been given when sent, <u>provided</u> that if not given during normal business hours of the recipient, such notice or communication shall be deemed to have been given at the opening of business on the next Business Day of the recipient, or (iii) delivered through Electronic Systems to the extent provided in paragraph (b) below shall be effective as provided in such paragraph.

(b) Notices and other communications to the Lenders and the Issuing Bank hereunder may be delivered or furnished by Electronic Systems pursuant to procedures approved by the Administrative Agent; <u>provided</u> that the foregoing shall not apply to notices pursuant to Article II or to compliance and no Default certificates delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(d) unless otherwise agreed by the Administrative Agent and the applicable Lender. Each of the Administrative Agent and the Borrower Representative (on behalf of the Loan Parties) may, in its discretion, agree to accept notices and other communications to it hereunder by Electronic Systems pursuant to procedures approved by it; provided that approval of such procedures may be limited to particular notices or communications. Unless the Administrative Agent otherwise proscribes, all such notices and other communications (i) sent to an e-mail address shall be deemed received upon the sender's receipt of an acknowledgement from the intended recipient (such as by the "return receipt requested" function, as available, return e-mail or other written acknowledgement),

provided that if not given during the normal business hours of the recipient, such notice or communication shall be deemed to have been given at the opening of business on the next Business Day for the recipient, and (ii) posted to an Internet or intranet website shall be deemed received upon the deemed receipt by the intended recipient, at its e-mail address as described in the foregoing clause (i), of notification that such notice or communication is available and identifying the website address therefor; provided that, for both clauses (i) and (ii) above, if such notice, e-mail or other communication is not sent during the normal business hours of the recipient, such notice or communication shall be deemed to have been sent at the opening of business on the next Business Day of the recipient.

(c) Any party hereto may change its address, facsimile number or e-mail address for notices and other communications hereunder by notice to the other parties hereto.

(d) <u>Electronic Systems</u>.

- (i) Each Loan Party agrees that the Administrative Agent may, but shall not be obligated to, make Communications (as defined below) available to the Issuing Bank and the other Lenders by posting the Communications on Debt Domain, Intralinks, Syndtrak, ClearPar or a substantially similar Electronic System.
- (ii) Any Electronic System used by the Administrative Agent is provided "as is" and "as available." The Agent Parties (as defined below) do not warrant the adequacy of such Electronic Systems and expressly disclaim liability for errors or omissions in the Communications. No warranty of any kind, express, implied or statutory, including any warranty of merchantability, fitness for a particular purpose, non-infringement of third-party rights or freedom from viruses or other code defects, is made by any Agent Party in connection with the Communications or any Electronic System. In no event shall the Administrative Agent or any of its Related Parties (collectively, the "Agent Parties") have any liability to any Loan Party, any Lender, the Issuing Bank or any other Person or entity for damages of any kind, including direct or indirect, special, incidental or consequential damages, losses or expenses (whether in tort, contract or otherwise) arising out of any Loan Party's or the Administrative Agent's transmission of Communications through an Electronic System. "Communications" means, collectively, any notice, demand, communication, information, document or other material provided by or on behalf of any Loan Party pursuant to any Loan Document or the transactions contemplated therein which is distributed by the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the Issuing Bank by means of electronic communications pursuant to this Section, including through an Electronic System.

SECTION 9.02 Waivers; Amendments. (a) No failure or delay by the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender in exercising any right or power hereunder or under any other Loan Document shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right or power, or any abandonment or discontinuance of steps to enforce such right or power, preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right or power. The rights and remedies of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders hereunder and under any other Loan Document are cumulative and are not exclusive of any rights or remedies that they would otherwise have. No waiver of any provision of this Agreement or consent to any departure by any Loan Party therefrom shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be permitted by <u>paragraph (b)</u> of this Section, and then such waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the purpose for which given. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the making of a Loan or issuance of a Letter of Credit shall not be construed as a waiver of any Default, regardless of whether the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the Issuing Bank may have had notice or knowledge of such Default at the time.

- (b) Except as provided in the first sentence of Section 2.09(f) (with respect to any commitment increase), neither this Agreement nor any provision hereof may be waived, amended or modified except pursuant to an agreement or agreements in writing entered into by the Borrowers and the Required Lenders or by the Borrowers and the Administrative Agent with the consent of the Required Lenders; provided that no such agreement shall (i) increase the Commitment of any Lender without the written consent of such Lender (including any such Lender that is a Defaulting Lender), (ii) reduce or forgive the principal amount of any Loan or LC Disbursement or reduce the rate of interest thereon (it being agreed that the waiver of the default interest margin referred to in Section 2.13(d) shall only require the consent of Required Lenders), or reduce or forgive any interest or fees payable hereunder, without the written consent of each Lender (including any such Lender that is a Defaulting Lender) directly affected thereby (except that any amendment or modification of the financial covenants in this Agreement (or defined terms used in the financial covenants in this Agreement) shall not constitute a reduction in the rate of interest or fees for purposes of this clause (ii)), (iii) postpone the scheduled date of payment of the principal amount of any Loan or LC Disbursement, or any date for the payment of any interest, fees or other Obligations payable hereunder, or reduce the amount of, waive or excuse any such payment, or postpone the scheduled date of expiration of any Commitment, without the written consent of each Lender (including any such Lender that is a Defaulting Lender) directly affected thereby, (iv) change Section 2.18(b) or (d) in a manner that would alter the manner in which payments are shared, without the written consent of each Lender (other than a Defaulting Lender), (v) change the definition of "Borrowing Base" (or any defined terms used therein) in a manner that makes more credit available, increase the advance rates set forth in the definition of Borrowing Base or add new categories of eligible assets, in each case, without the written consent of the Supermajority Lenders, (vi) change any of the provisions of this Section or the definition of "Required Lenders" or "Supermajority Lenders" or any other provision hereof specifying the number or percentage of Lenders required to waive, amend or modify any rights hereunder or make any determination or grant any consent hereunder, without the written consent of each Lender (other than a Defaulting Lender) directly affected thereby, (vii) release all or substantially all of the Loan Guarantors from their obligations under the Loan Guaranty (except as otherwise permitted herein) without the written consent of each Lender (other than a Defaulting Lender), or (viii) except as provided in clause (d) of this Section or in any Collateral Document, release all or substantially all of the Collateral, without the written consent of each Lender (other than any Defaulting Lender); provided, further, that no such agreement shall amend, modify or otherwise affect the rights or duties of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or the Swingline Lender hereunder without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or the Swingline Lender, as the case may be (it being understood that any amendment to Section 2.20 shall require the consent of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Swingline Lender); provided further that no such agreement shall amend or modify the provisions of Section 2.07 or any letter of credit application and any bilateral agreement between the Borrower Representative and the Issuing Bank regarding the Issuing Bank's Issuing Bank Sublimit or the respective rights and obligations between the Borrower and the Issuing Bank in connection with the issuance of Letters of Credit without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank, respectively. The Administrative Agent may also amend the Commitment Schedule to reflect assignments entered into pursuant to Section 9.04.
- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement and any other Loan Document may be amended (or amended and restated) with the written consent of the Required Lenders, the Administrative Agent and the Borrowers (x) to add one or more credit facilities to this Agreement and to permit extensions of credit from time to time outstanding thereunder and the accrued interest and fees in respect thereof to share ratably in the benefits of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents with the Revolving Loans and the accrued interest and fees in respect thereof and (y) to include appropriately the Lenders holding such credit facilities in any determination of the Required Lenders and Lenders. The Administrative Agent may not enter into any amendments, waivers or modifications of the Intercreditor Agreement without the written consent of the Required Lenders.

- (d) The Lenders and the Issuing Banks hereby irrevocably authorize the Administrative Agent, at its option and in its sole discretion, to release any Liens granted to the Administrative Agent by the Loan Parties on any Collateral (i) upon the termination of all the Commitments, payment and satisfaction in full in cash of all Secured Obligations (other than Unliquidated Obligations), and the cash collateralization of all Unliquidated Obligations in a manner satisfactory to each affected Lender, (ii) constituting property being sold or disposed of if the Loan Party disposing of such property certifies to the Administrative Agent that the sale or disposition is made in compliance with the terms of this Agreement (and the Administrative Agent may rely conclusively on any such certificate, without further inquiry), and to the extent that the property being sold or disposed of constitutes 100% of the Equity Interest of a Subsidiary, the Administrative Agent is authorized to release any Loan Guaranty provided by such Subsidiary, (iii) constituting property leased to a Loan Party under a lease which has expired or been terminated in a transaction permitted under this Agreement, or (iv) as required to effect any sale or other disposition of such Collateral in connection with any exercise of remedies of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders pursuant to Article VII. Except as provided in the preceding sentence and the last sentence of this Section 9.02(d), the Administrative Agent will not release any Liens on Collateral without the prior written authorization of the Required Lenders; provided that the Administrative Agent may in its discretion, release its Liens on Collateral valued in the aggregate not in excess of \$1,000,000 during any calendar year without the prior written authorization of the Required Lenders (it being agreed that the Administrative Agent may rely conclusively on one or more certificates of the Borrower Representative as to the value of any Collateral to be so released, without further inquiry). Any such release shall not in any manner discharge, affect or impair the Obligations or any Liens (other than those expressly being released) upon (or obligations of the Loan Parties in respect of) all interests retained by the Loan Parties, including the proceeds of any sale, all of which shall continue to constitute part of the Collateral. If the Administrative Agent releases any Collateral in accordance with the foregoing, Administrative Agent agrees, at Borrowers' sole expense, to prepare and deliver such documents as Borrower Representative may reasonably request to evidence such release. Any execution and delivery by the Administrative Agent of documents in connection with any such release shall be without recourse to or warranty by the Administrative Agent.
- (e) If, in connection with any proposed amendment, waiver or consent requiring the consent of "each Lender" or "each Lender directly affected thereby," the consent of the Required Lenders is obtained, but the consent of other necessary Lenders is not obtained (any such Lender whose consent is necessary but not obtained being referred to herein as a "Non-Consenting Lender"), then the Borrowers may elect to replace a Non-Consenting Lender as a Lender party to this Agreement; provided that, concurrently with such replacement, (i) another bank or other entity which is reasonably satisfactory to the Borrowers, the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank shall agree, as of such date, to purchase for cash the Loans and other Obligations due to the Non-Consenting Lender pursuant to an Assignment and Assumption and to become a Lender for all purposes under this Agreement and to assume all obligations of the Non-Consenting Lender to be terminated as of such date and to comply with the requirements of clause (b) of Section 9.04, and (ii) the Borrowers shall pay to such Non-Consenting Lender in same day funds on the day of such replacement (1) all interest, fees and other amounts then accrued but unpaid to such Non-Consenting Lender by the Borrowers hereunder to and including the date of termination, including without limitation payments due to such Non-Consenting Lender under Sections 2.15 and 2.17, and (2) an amount, if any, equal to the payment which would have been due to such Lender on the day of such replacement under Sections 2.16 had the Loans of such Non-Consenting Lender been prepaid on such date rather than sold to the replacement Lender.
- (f) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein the Administrative Agent may, with the consent of the Borrower Representative only, amend, modify or supplement this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents to cure any ambiguity, omission, mistake, defect or inconsistency.

SECTION 9.03 Expenses; Indemnity; Damage Waiver. (a) The Borrowers shall pay (i) all reasonable documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent and its Affiliates, including the reasonable and documented fees, charges and disbursements of one primary counsel and one additional counsel in each applicable jurisdiction for the Administrative Agent, in connection with the syndication and distribution (including, without limitation, via the internet or through an Electronic System) of the credit facility provided for herein, the preparation and administration of the Loan Documents or any amendments, modifications or waivers of the provisions of the Loan Documents (whether or not the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby shall be consummated), (ii) all reasonable documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Issuing Bank in connection with the issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit or any demand for payment thereunder and (iii) all documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender, including the fees, charges and disbursements of (x) one primary counsel and one additional counsel in each applicable jurisdiction for the Administrative Agent, (y) one additional counsel for all Lenders (other than the Administrative Agent) and (z) additional counsel in light of actual or potential conflicts of interest or the availability of different claims or defenses for the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender, in connection with the enforcement, collection or protection of its rights in connection with the Loan Documents, including its rights under this Section, or in connection with the Loans made or Letters of Credit issued hereunder, including all such documented out-of pocket expenses incurred during any workout, restructuring or negotiations in respect of such Loans or Letters of Credit. Expenses being reimbursed by the Loan Parties under this Section include, without limiting the generality of the f

- (i) appraisals and insurance reviews;
- (ii) field examinations and the preparation of Reports based on the fees charged by a third party retained by the Administrative Agent or the internally allocated fees for each Person employed by the Administrative Agent with respect to each field examination;
- (iii) background checks regarding senior management and/or key investors, as deemed necessary or appropriate in the sole discretion of the Administrative Agent;
- (iv) Taxes, fees and other charges for (A) lien searches and (B) filing financing statements and continuations, and other actions to perfect, protect, and continue the Administrative Agent's Liens;
- (v) sums paid or incurred to take any action required of any Loan Party under the Loan Documents that such Loan Party fails to pay or take; and
- (vi) forwarding loan proceeds, collecting checks and other items of payment, and establishing and maintaining the accounts and lock boxes, and costs and expenses of preserving and protecting the Collateral.

All of the foregoing fees, costs and expenses may be charged to the Borrowers as Revolving Loans or to another deposit account, all as described in Section 2.18(c).

(b) The Borrowers shall, jointly and severally, indemnify the Administrative Agent, the Lead Arranger, the Co-Syndication Agents, the Issuing Bank and each Lender, and each Related Party of any of the foregoing Persons (each such Person being called an "Indemnitee") against, and hold each Indemnitee harmless from, any and all losses, claims, damages, penalties, incremental taxes, liabilities and related expenses, including the fees, charges and disbursements of any counsel for any Indemnitee, incurred by or asserted against any Indemnitee arising out of, in connection with, or as a result of (i) the negotiation, preparation, execution or delivery of the Loan Documents or any agreement or instrument contemplated thereby, the performance by the parties hereto of their respective obligations thereunder or the consummation of the Transactions or any other transactions contemplated hereby,

(ii) any Loan or Letter of Credit or the use of the proceeds therefrom (including any refusal by the Issuing Bank to honor a demand for payment under a Letter of Credit if the documents presented in connection with such demand do not strictly comply with the terms of such Letter of Credit), (iii) any actual or alleged presence or release of Hazardous Materials on or from any property owned or operated by any Borrower or any of their Subsidiaries, or any Environmental Liability related in any way to any Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, (iv) the failure of the Borrowers to deliver to the Administrative Agent the required receipts or other required documentary evidence with respect to a payment made by the Borrowers for Taxes pursuant to Section 2.17, or (v) any actual or prospective claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding relating to any of the foregoing, whether or not such claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding is brought by any Borrower or any other Loan Party or its or their respective equity holders, Affiliates, creditors or any other third Person and whether based on contract, tort or any other theory and regardless of whether any Indemnitee is a party thereto; provided that such indemnity shall not, as to any Indemnitee, be available to the extent that such losses, claims, damages, penalties, liabilities or related expenses are determined by a court of competent jurisdiction by final and nonappealable judgment to have resulted from the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of such Indemnitee. This Section 9.03(b) shall not apply with respect to Taxes other than any Taxes that represent losses or damages arising from any non-Tax claim.

- (c) To the extent that the Borrowers fail to pay any amount required to be paid by it to the Administrative Agent (or any sub-agent thereof), the Issuing Bank or the Swingline Lender (or any Related Party of any of the foregoing) under <a href="mailto:pay-agent-background-color: blue description-color: blue descripti
- (d) To the extent permitted by applicable law, no Loan Party shall assert, and each hereby waives, any claim against any Indemnitee (i) for any damages arising from the use by others of information or other materials obtained through telecommunications, electronic or other information transmission systems (including the Internet), or (ii) on any theory of liability, for special, indirect, consequential or punitive damages (as opposed to direct or actual damages) arising out of, in connection with, or as a result of, this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any agreement or instrument contemplated hereby or thereby, the Transactions, any Loan or Letter of Credit or the use of the proceeds thereof.
- (e) All amounts due under this Section shall be payable not later than fifteen (15) days after the Borrower Representative's receipt of written demand therefor.

SECTION 9.04 Successors and Assigns. (a) The provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns permitted hereby (including any Affiliate of the Issuing Bank that issues any Letter of Credit), except that (i) no Loan Party may assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of each Lender (and any attempted assignment or transfer by any Loan Party without such consent shall be null and void) and (ii) no Lender may assign or otherwise transfer its rights or obligations hereunder except in accordance with this Section.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the parties hereto hereby agree that Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated may, without notice to any Loan Party, assign its rights and obligations under this Agreement to any other registered broker-dealer wholly-owned by Bank of America Corporation to which all or substantially all of Bank of America Corporation's or any of its subsidiaries' investment banking, commercial lending services or related businesses may be transferred following the date of this Agreement. Nothing in this Agreement, expressed or implied, shall be construed to confer upon any Person (other than the parties hereto, their respective successors and assigns permitted hereby (including any Affiliate of the Issuing Bank that issues any Letter of Credit), Participants (to the extent provided in paragraph(c) of this Section) and, to the extent expressly contemplated hereby, the Related Parties of each of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders) any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Agreement.

- (b) (i) Subject to the conditions set forth in <u>paragraph (b)(ii)</u> below, any Lender may assign to one or more Persons (other than an Ineligible Institution) all or a portion of its rights and obligations under this Agreement (including all or a portion of its Commitment, participations in Letters of Credit and the Loans at the time owing to it) with the prior written consent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed) of:
 - (A) the Borrower Representative; <u>provided</u> that (x) the Borrower Representative shall be deemed to have consented to any such assignment unless it shall object thereto by written notice to the Administrative Agent within ten (10) Business Days after having received notice thereof, (y) it shall not be unreasonable for the Borrower Representative to withhold its consent for assignments to any Person that is directly engaged in the primary business of distributing food products to business establishments, such as restaurants, country clubs, hotels, caterers, culinary schools and specialty food stores and (z) no consent of the Borrower Representative shall be required for an assignment to a Lender, an Affiliate of a Lender, an Approved Fund or, if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, any other assignee;
 - (B) the Administrative Agent;
 - (C) the Issuing Bank; and
 - (D) the Swingline Lender.
 - (ii) Assignments shall be subject to the following additional conditions:
 - (A) except in the case of an assignment to a Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender or an Approved Fund or an assignment of the entire remaining amount of the assigning Lender's Commitment or Loans of any Class, the amount of the Commitment or Loans of the assigning Lender subject to each such assignment (determined as of the date the Assignment and Assumption with respect to such assignment is delivered to the Administrative Agent) shall not be less than \$5,000,000 unless each of the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent otherwise consent; provided that no such consent of the Borrower Representative shall be required if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing;
 - (B) each partial assignment shall be made as an assignment of a proportionate part of all the assigning Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement; <u>provided</u> that this clause shall not be construed to prohibit the assignment of a proportionate part of all the assigning Lender's rights and obligations in respect of its Commitment or a Class of Loans;

- (C) the parties to each assignment shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent (x) an Assignment and Assumption or (y) to the extent applicable, an agreement incorporating an Assignment and Assumption by reference pursuant to a Platform as to which the Administrative Agent and the parties to the Assignment and Assumption are participants, together with a processing and recordation fee of \$3,500, such fee to be paid by either the assigning Lender or the assignee Lender or shared between such Lenders; and
- (D) the assignee, if it shall not be a Lender, shall deliver to the Administrative Agent an Administrative Questionnaire in which the assignee designates one or more credit contacts to whom all the syndicate-level information (which may contain material non-public information about Loan Parties and their Related Parties or their respective securities) will be made available and who may receive such information in accordance with the assignee's compliance procedures and applicable laws, including Federal and state securities laws.

For the purposes of this Section 9.04(b), the terms "Approved Fund" and "Ineligible Institution" have the following meanings:

"Approved Fund" means any Person (other than a natural person) that is engaged in making, purchasing, holding or investing in bank loans and similar extensions of credit in the ordinary course of its business and that is administered or managed by (a) a Lender, (b) an Affiliate of a Lender or (c) an entity or an Affiliate of an entity that administers or manages a Lender.

"Ineligible Institution" means (a) a natural person, (b) a Defaulting Lender or its Lender Parent, (c) the Borrowers, any of their Subsidiaries or any of its Affiliates, or (d) a company, investment vehicle or trust for, or owned and operated for the primary benefit of, a natural person or relative(s) thereof.

- (iii) Subject to acceptance and recording thereof pursuant to <u>paragraph (b)(iv)</u> of this Section, from and after the effective date specified in each Assignment and Assumption the assignee thereunder shall be a party hereto and, to the extent of the interest assigned by such Assignment and Assumption, have the rights and obligations of a Lender under this Agreement, and the assigning Lender thereunder shall, to the extent of the interest assigned by such Assignment and Assumption, be released from its obligations under this Agreement (and, in the case of an Assignment and Assumption covering all of the assigning Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement, such Lender shall cease to be a party hereto but shall continue to be entitled to the benefits of <u>Sections 2.15</u>, <u>2.16</u>, <u>2.17</u> and <u>9.03</u>). Any assignment or transfer by a Lender of rights or obligations under this Agreement that does not comply with this <u>Section 9.04</u> shall be treated for purposes of this Agreement as a sale by such Lender of a participation in such rights and obligations in accordance with <u>paragraph (c)</u> of this Section.
- (iv) The Administrative Agent, acting for this purpose as a non-fiduciary agent of the Borrowers, shall maintain at one of its offices a copy of each Assignment and Assumption delivered to it and a register for the recordation of the names and addresses of the Lenders, and the Commitment of, and principal amount of (and stated interest on) the Loans and LC Disbursements owing to, each Lender pursuant to the terms hereof from time to time (the "Register"). The entries in the Register shall be conclusive, and the Borrowers, the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders shall treat each Person whose name is recorded in the Register pursuant to the terms hereof as a Lender hereunder for all purposes of this Agreement, notwithstanding notice to the contrary. The Register shall be available for inspection by the Borrowers, the Issuing Bank and any Lender, at any reasonable time and from time to time upon reasonable prior notice.

- (v) Upon its receipt of (x) a duly completed Assignment and Assumption executed by an assigning Lender and an assignee or (y) to the extent applicable, an agreement incorporating an Assignment and Assumption by reference pursuant to a Platform as to which the Administrative Agent and the parties to the Assignment and Assumption are participants, the assignee's completed Administrative Questionnaire (unless the assignee shall already be a Lender hereunder), the processing and recordation fee referred to in paragraph (b) of this Section and any written consent to such assignment required by paragraph (b) of this Section, the Administrative Agent shall accept such Assignment and Assumption and record the information contained therein in the Register; provided that if either the assigning Lender or the assignee shall have failed to make any payment required to be made by it pursuant to Section 2.05, 2.06(d) or (e), 2.07(b), 2.18(d) or 9.03(c), the Administrative Agent shall have no obligation to accept such Assignment and Assumption and record the information therein in the Register unless and until such payment shall have been made in full, together with all accrued interest thereon. No assignment shall be effective for purposes of this Agreement unless it has been recorded in the Register as provided in this paragraph.
- Any Lender may, without the consent of the Borrowers, the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or the Swingline Lender, sell participations to one or more banks or other entities (a "Participant"), other than an Ineligible Institution, in all or a portion of such Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement (including all or a portion of its Commitment and the Loans owing to it); provided that (A) such Lender's obligations under this Agreement shall remain unchanged; (B) such Lender shall remain solely responsible to the other parties hereto for the performance of such obligations; and (C) the Borrowers, the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the other Lenders shall continue to deal solely and directly with such Lender in connection with such Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement. Any agreement or instrument pursuant to which a Lender sells such a participation shall provide that such Lender shall retain the sole right to enforce this Agreement and to approve any amendment, modification or waiver of any provision of this Agreement; provided that such agreement or instrument may provide that such Lender will not, without the consent of the Participant, agree to any amendment, modification or waiver described in the first proviso to Section 9.02(b) that affects such Participant. The Borrowers agree that each Participant shall be entitled to the benefits of Section 2.15, 2.16 and 2.17 (subject to the requirements and limitations therein, including the requirements under Section 2.17(f) and (g) (it being understood that the documentation required under Section 2.17(f) shall be delivered to the participating Lender and the information and documentation required under Section 2.17(g) will be delivered to the Borrowers and the Administrative Agent)) to the same extent as if it were a Lender and had acquired its interest by assignment pursuant to paragraph (b) of this Section; provided that such Participant (A) agrees to be subject to the provisions of Sections 2.18 and 2.19 as if it were an assignee under paragraph (b) of this Section; and (B) shall not be entitled to receive any greater payment under Section 2.15 or 2.17, with respect to any participation, than its participating Lender would have been entitled to receive, except to the extent such entitlement to receive a greater payment results from a Change in Law that occurs after the Participant acquired the applicable participation.

Each Lender that sells a participation agrees, at the Borrowers' request and expense, to use reasonable efforts to cooperate with the Borrowers to effectuate the provisions of Section 2.19(b) with respect to any Participant. To the extent permitted by law, each Participant also shall be entitled to the benefits of Section 9.08 as though it were a Lender; provided such Participant agrees to be subject to Section 2.18(c) as though it were a Lender.

Each Lender that sells a participation shall, acting solely for this purpose as a non-fiduciary agent of the Borrowers, maintain a register on which it enters the name and address of each Participant and the principal amounts (and stated interest) of each Participant's interest in the Loans or other obligations under the Loan Documents (the "Participant Register"); provided that no Lender shall have any obligation to disclose all or any portion of the Participant Register to any Person (including the identity of any Participant or any information relating to a Participant's interest in any Commitments, Loans, Letters of Credit or its other obligations under any Loan Document) except to the extent that such disclosure is necessary to establish that such Commitment, Loan, Letter of Credit or other obligation is in registered form under Section 5f.103 1(c) of the United States Treasury Regulations. The entries in the Participant Register shall be conclusive absent manifest error, and such Lender shall treat each Person whose name is recorded in the Participant Register as the owner of such participation for all purposes of this Agreement notwithstanding any notice to the contrary. For the avoidance of doubt, the Administrative Agent (in its capacity as Administrative Agent) shall have no responsibility for maintaining a Participant Register.

(d) Any Lender may at any time pledge or assign a security interest in all or any portion of its rights under this Agreement to secure obligations of such Lender, including without limitation any pledge or assignment to secure obligations to a Federal Reserve Bank, and this Section shall not apply to any such pledge or assignment of a security interest; provided that no such pledge or assignment of a security interest shall release a Lender from any of its obligations hereunder or substitute any such pledgee or assignee for such Lender as a party hereto.

SECTION 9.05 <u>Survival</u>. All covenants, agreements, representations and warranties made by the Loan Parties in the Loan Documents and in the certificates or other instruments delivered in connection with or pursuant to this Agreement or any other Loan Document shall be considered to have been relied upon by the other parties hereto and shall survive the execution and delivery of the Loan Documents and the making of any Loans and issuance of any Letters of Credit, regardless of any investigation made by any such other party or on its behalf and notwithstanding that the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender may have had notice or knowledge of any Default or incorrect representation or warranty at the time any credit is extended hereunder, and shall continue in full force and effect as long as the principal of or any accrued interest on any Loan or any fee or any other amount payable under this Agreement or any other Loan Document is outstanding and unpaid or any Letter of Credit is outstanding and so long as the Commitments have not expired or terminated. The provisions of Section 2.15, 2.16, 2.17 and 9.03 and Article VIII shall survive and remain in full force and effect regardless of the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, the repayment of the Loans, the expiration or termination of the Letters of Credit and the Commitments or the termination of this Agreement or any other Loan Document or any provision hereof or thereof.

SECTION 9.06 <u>Counterparts; Integration; Effectiveness; Electronic Execution</u>. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts (and by different parties hereto on different counterparts), each of which shall constitute an original, but all of which when taken together shall constitute a single contract. This Agreement, the other Loan Documents and any separate letter agreements with respect to (i) fees payable to the Administrative Agent and (ii) increases or reductions of the Issuing Bank Sublimit of the Issuing Bank constitute the entire contract among the parties relating to the subject matter hereof and supersede any and all previous agreements and understandings, oral or written, relating to the subject matter hereof. Except as provided in Section 4.01, this Agreement shall become effective when it shall have been executed by the Administrative Agent and when the Administrative Agent shall have received counterparts hereof which, when taken together, bear the signatures of each of the other parties hereto, and thereafter shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Agreement by telecopy, e-mailed.pdf or any other electronic means that reproduces an image of the actual executed signature page shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Agreement.

The words "execution," "signed," "signature," "delivery," and words of like import in or relating to any document to be signed in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby shall be deemed to include Electronic Signatures, deliveries or the keeping of records in electronic form, each of which shall be of the same legal effect, validity or enforceability as a manually executed signature, physical delivery thereof or the use of a paper-based recordkeeping system, as the case may be, to the extent and as provided for in any applicable law, including the Federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, the New York State Electronic Signatures and Records Act, or any other similar state laws based on the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act; provided that nothing herein shall require the Administrative Agent to accept electronic signatures in any form or format without its prior written consent.

SECTION 9.07 <u>Severability</u>. Any provision of any Loan Document held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability without affecting the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions thereof; and the invalidity of a particular provision in a particular jurisdiction shall not invalidate such provision in any other jurisdiction.

SECTION 9.08 Right of Setoff. If an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, each Lender and each of its Affiliates is hereby authorized at any time and from time to time, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to set off and apply any and all deposits (general or special, time or demand, provisional or final) at any time held and other obligations at any time owing by such Lender or Affiliate to or for the credit or the account of the Borrowers or any Loan Guarantor against any of and all the Secured Obligations held by such Lender, irrespective of whether or not such Lender shall have made any demand under the Loan Documents and although such obligations may be unmatured. The applicable Lender shall notify the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent of such set-off or application; provided that any failure to give or any delay in giving such notice shall not affect the validity of any such set-off or application under this Section. The rights of each Lender under this Section are in addition to other rights and remedies (including other rights of setoff) which such Lender may have.

SECTION 9.09 <u>Governing Law; Jurisdiction; Consent to Service of Process</u>. (a) The Loan Documents (other than those containing a contrary express choice of law provision) shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws of the State of New York, but giving effect to federal laws applicable to national banks.

(b) Each Loan Party hereby irrevocably and unconditionally submits, for itself and its property, to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the State of New York sitting in the Borough of Manhattan and of the United States District Court of the Southern District for New York sitting in the Borough of Manhattan, and any appellate court from any thereof, in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to any Loan Document, or for recognition or enforcement of any judgment, and each of the parties hereto hereby irrevocably and unconditionally agrees that all claims in respect of any such action or proceeding may be heard and determined in such New York State or, to the extent permitted by law, in such Federal court. Each of the parties hereto agrees that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law. Nothing in this Agreement or any other Loan Document shall affect any right that the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender may otherwise have to bring any action or proceeding relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document against any Loan Party or its properties in the courts of any jurisdiction.

- (c) Each Loan Party hereby irrevocably and unconditionally waives, to the fullest extent it may legally and effectively do so, any objection which it may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any suit, action or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document in any court referred to in <u>paragraph (b)</u> of this Section. Each of the parties hereto hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of such action or proceeding in any such court.
- (d) Each party to this Agreement irrevocably consents to service of process in the manner provided for notices in <u>Section 9.01</u>. Nothing in this Agreement or any other Loan Document will affect the right of any party to this Agreement to serve process in any other manner permitted by law.

SECTION 9.10 <u>WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL</u>. EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR ANY OTHER THEORY). EACH PARTY HERETO (A) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND (B) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT AND THE OTHER PARTIES HERETO HAVE BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION.

SECTION 9.11 <u>Headings</u>. Article and Section headings and the Table of Contents used herein are for convenience of reference only, are not part of this Agreement and shall not affect the construction of, or be taken into consideration in interpreting, this Agreement.

SECTION 9.12 Confidentiality. Each of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders agrees to maintain the confidentiality of the Information (as defined below), except that Information may be disclosed (a) to its and its Affiliates' directors, officers, employees and agents, including accountants, legal counsel and other advisors (it being understood that the Persons to whom such disclosure is made will be informed of the confidential nature of such Information and instructed to keep such Information confidential), (b) to the extent requested by any Governmental Authority (including any self-regulatory authority, such as the National Association of Insurance Commissioners), (c) to the extent required by any Requirement of Law or by any subpoena or similar legal process, (d) to any other party to this Agreement, (e) in connection with the exercise of any remedies under this Agreement or any other Loan Document or any suit, action or proceeding relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document or the enforcement of rights hereunder or thereunder, (f) subject to an agreement containing provisions substantially the same as those of this Section, to (1) any assignee of or Participant in, or any prospective assignee of or Participant in, any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement or (2) any actual or prospective counterparty (or its advisors) to any swap or derivative transaction relating to the Loan Parties and their obligations, (g) on a confidential basis to (1) any rating agency in connection with rating Holdings or any of its Subsidiaries or the credit facility provided for herein or (2) the CUSIP Service Bureau or any similar agency in connection with the issuance and monitoring of CUSIP numbers with respect to the credit facility provided for herein, (h) with the consent of the Borrower Representative or (i) to the extent such Information (1) becomes publicly available other than as a result of a breach of this Section or (2) becomes available to the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender on a non-confidential basis from a source other than the Borrowers. For the purposes of this Section, "Information" means all information received from the Borrowers relating to the Borrowers or their business, other than any such information that is available to the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender on a non-confidential basis prior to disclosure by the Borrowers and other than information pertaining to this Agreement routinely provided by arrangers to data service providers, including league table providers, that serve the lending industry;

provided that, in the case of information received from the Borrowers after the Effective Date, such information is clearly identified at the time of delivery as confidential. Any Person required to maintain the confidentiality of Information as provided in this Section shall be considered to have complied with its obligation to do so if such Person has exercised the same degree of care to maintain the confidentiality of such Information as such Person would accord to its own confidential information.

EACH LENDER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT INFORMATION (AS DEFINED IN <u>SECTION 9.12</u>) FURNISHED TO IT PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT MAY INCLUDE MATERIAL NON-PUBLIC INFORMATION CONCERNING THE LOAN PARTIES, AND THEIR AFFILIATES AND THEIR RELATED PARTIES OR THEIR RESPECTIVE SECURITIES, AND CONFIRMS THAT IT HAS DEVELOPED COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES REGARDING THE USE OF MATERIAL NON-PUBLIC INFORMATION AND THAT IT WILL HANDLE SUCH MATERIAL NON-PUBLIC INFORMATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THOSE PROCEDURES AND APPLICABLE LAW, INCLUDING FEDERAL AND STATE SECURITIES LAWS.

ALL INFORMATION, INCLUDING REQUESTS FOR WAIVERS AND AMENDMENTS, FURNISHED BY THE BORROWERS OR THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT PURSUANT TO, OR IN THE COURSE OF ADMINISTERING, THIS AGREEMENT WILL BE SYNDICATE-LEVEL INFORMATION, WHICH MAY CONTAIN MATERIAL NON-PUBLIC INFORMATION ABOUT LOAN PARTIES, THE LOAN PARTIES AND THEIR RELATED PARTIES OR THEIR RESPECTIVE SECURITIES. ACCORDINGLY, EACH LENDER REPRESENTS TO THE BORROWERS AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT THAT IT HAS IDENTIFIED IN ITS ADMINISTRATIVE QUESTIONNAIRE A CREDIT CONTACT WHO MAY RECEIVE INFORMATION THAT MAY CONTAIN MATERIAL NON-PUBLIC INFORMATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES AND APPLICABLE LAW, INCLUDING FEDERAL AND STATE SECURITIES LAWS.

SECTION 9.13 Several Obligations; Nonreliance; Violation of Law. The respective obligations of the Lenders hereunder are several and not joint and the failure of any Lender to make any Loan or perform any of its obligations hereunder shall not relieve any other Lender from any of its obligations hereunder. Each Lender hereby represents that it is not relying on or looking to any margin stock (as defined in Regulation U of the Board) for the repayment of the Borrowings provided for herein. Anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, neither the Issuing Bank nor any Lender shall be obligated to extend credit to the Borrowers in violation of any Requirement of Law.

SECTION 9.14 <u>USA PATRIOT Act</u>. Each Lender that is subject to the requirements of the USA PATRIOT Act hereby notifies each Loan Party that pursuant to the requirements of the USA PATRIOT Act, it is required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies such Loan Party, which information includes the name and address of such Loan Party and other information that will allow such Lender to identify such Loan Party in accordance with the USA PATRIOT Act.

SECTION 9.15 <u>Disclosure</u>. Each Loan Party and each Lender hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Administrative Agent and/or its Affiliates from time to time may hold investments in, make other loans to or have other relationships with any of the Loan Parties and their respective Affiliates.

SECTION 9.16 <u>Appointment for Perfection</u>. Each Lender hereby appoints each other Lender as its agent for the purpose of perfecting Liens, for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties, in assets which, in accordance with Article 9 of the UCC or any other applicable law can be perfected only by possession or control. Should any Lender (other than the Administrative Agent) obtain possession or control of any such Collateral, such Lender shall notify the Administrative Agent thereof, and, promptly upon the Administrative Agent's request therefor shall deliver such Collateral to the Administrative Agent or otherwise deal with such Collateral in accordance with the Administrative Agent's instructions.

SECTION 9.17 Interest Rate Limitation. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, if at any time the interest rate applicable to any Loan, together with all fees, charges and other amounts which are treated as interest on such Loan under applicable law (collectively the "Charges"), shall exceed the maximum lawful rate (the "Maximum Rate") which may be contracted for, charged, taken, received or reserved by the Lender holding such Loan in accordance with applicable law, the rate of interest payable in respect of such Loan hereunder, together with all Charges payable in respect thereof, shall be limited to the Maximum Rate and, to the extent lawful, the interest and Charges that would have been payable in respect of such Loan but were not payable as a result of the operation of this Section shall be cumulated and the interest and Charges payable to such Lender in respect of other Loans or periods shall be increased (but not above the Maximum Rate therefor) until such cumulated amount, together with interest thereon at the Federal Funds Effective Rate to the date of repayment, shall have been received by such Lender.

SECTION 9.18 No Advisory or Fiduciary Responsibility. In connection with all aspects of each transaction contemplated hereby (including in connection with any amendment, waiver or other modification hereof or of any other Loan Document), each Loan Party acknowledges and agrees that: (i) (A) the arranging and other services regarding this Agreement provided by the Lenders are arm's-length commercial transactions between the Loan Parties and their Affiliates, on the one hand, and the Lenders and their Affiliates, on the other hand, (B) the Loan Parties have consulted their own legal, accounting, regulatory and tax advisors to the extent it has deemed appropriate and (C) the Loan Parties are capable of evaluating, and each understands and accepts, the terms, risks and conditions of the transactions contemplated hereby and by the other Loan Documents; (ii) (A) each of the Lenders and their Affiliates is and has been acting solely as a principal and, except as expressly agreed in writing by the relevant parties, has not been, is not, and will not be acting as an advisor, agent or fiduciary for the Loan Parties or any of their Affiliates, or any other Person and (B) no Lender or any of its Affiliates has any obligation to the Loan Parties or any of their Affiliates with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby except, in the case of a Lender, those obligations expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents; and (iii) each of the Lenders and their respective Affiliates may be engaged in a broad range of transactions that involve interests that differ from those of the Loan Parties and their Affiliates, and no Lender or any of its Affiliates has any obligation to disclose any of such interests to the Loan Parties or their Affiliates. To the fullest extent permitted by law, each Loan Party hereby waives and releases any claims that it may have against each of the Lenders and their Affiliates with respect to any breach or alleged breach of agency or fiduciary duty in connection with any aspect of any t

SECTION 9.19 <u>Marketing Consent</u>. The Borrowers hereby authorize JPMCB and its affiliates (collectively, the "<u>JPMCB Parties</u>"), at their respective sole expense, but without any prior approval by any Borrower, to include the Borrowers' names and logos in advertising slicks posted on their internet sites, in pitchbooks or sent in mailings to prospective customers and to give such other publicity to this Agreement as each may from time to time determine in its sole discretion. Notwithstanding the foregoing, JPMCB Parties shall not publish the Borrowers' names in a newspaper or magazine without obtaining the Borrowers' prior written approval. The foregoing authorization shall remain in effect unless and until the Borrower Representative notifies JPMCB in writing that such authorization is revoked.

SECTION 9.20 <u>Intercreditor Agreement</u>. Each of the Lenders hereby acknowledges that it has received and reviewed the Intercreditor Agreement and agrees to be bound by the terms thereof as if such Lender was a signatory thereto.

Each Lender (and each Person that becomes a Lender hereunder pursuant to Section 9.04) hereby (a) acknowledges that JPMCB is acting under the Intercreditor Agreement as the ABL Representative and JPMCB is or may be a Lender hereunder and/or the Term Loan Agreement and (b) waives any conflict of interest, now contemplated or arising hereafter, in connection therewith and agrees not to assert against the Administrative Agent any claims, cause of action, damages or liabilities of whatever kind or nature relating thereto. Each Lender (and each Person that becomes a Lender hereunder pursuant to Section 9.04) hereby authorizes and directs the Administrative Agent to enter into the Intercreditor Agreement on behalf of such Lender and agrees that the Administrative Agent may take such actions on its behalf as is contemplated by the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement.

SECTION 9.21 Acknowledgement and Consent to Bail-In of EEA Financial Institutions. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Loan Document or in any other agreement, arrangement or understanding among any such parties, each party hereto acknowledges that any liability of any EEA Financial Institution arising under any Loan Document may be subject to the write-down and conversion powers of an EEA Resolution Authority and agrees and consents to, and acknowledges and agrees to be bound by:

- (a) the application of any Write-Down and Conversion Powers by an EEA Resolution Authority to any such liabilities arising hereunder which may be payable to it by any party hereto that is an EEA Financial Institution; and
 - (b) the effects of any Bail-In Action on any such liability, including, if applicable:
 - (i) a reduction in full or in part or cancellation of any such liability;
 - (ii) a conversion of all, or a portion of, such liability into shares or other instruments of ownership in such EEA Financial Institution, its parent entity, or a bridge institution that may be issued to it or otherwise conferred on it, and that such shares or other instruments of ownership will be accepted by it in lieu of any rights with respect to any such liability under this Agreement or any other Loan Document; or
 - (iii) the variation of the terms of such liability in connection with the exercise of the write-down and conversion powers of any EEA Resolution Authority.

ARTICLE X.

LOAN GUARANTY

SECTION 10.01 Guaranty. Each Loan Guarantor (other than those that have delivered a separate Guaranty) hereby agrees that it is jointly and severally liable for, and, as a primary obligor and not merely as surety, absolutely, unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees to the Secured Parties, the prompt payment when due, whether at stated maturity, upon acceleration or otherwise, and at all times thereafter, of the Secured Obligations and all costs and expenses, including, without limitation, all court costs and attorneys' and paralegals' fees (including allocated costs of in-house counsel and paralegals) and expenses paid or incurred by the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders in endeavoring to collect all or any part of the Secured Obligations from, or in prosecuting any action against, any Borrower, any Loan Guarantor or any other guarantor of all or any part of the Secured Obligations (such costs and expenses, together with the Secured Obligations, collectively the "Guaranteed Obligations"; provided, however, that the definition of "Guaranteed Obligations" shall not create any guarantee by any Loan Guarantor of (or grant of security interest by any Loan Guarantor to support, as applicable) any Excluded Swap Obligations of such Loan Guarantor for purposes of determining any obligations of any Loan Guarantor). Each Loan Guarantor further agrees that the Guaranteed Obligations may be extended or renewed in whole or in part without notice to or further assent from it, and that it remains bound upon its guarantee notwithstanding any such extension or renewed. All terms of this Loan Guaranty apply to and may be enforced by or on behalf of any domestic or foreign branch or Affiliate of any Lender that extended any portion of the Guaranteed Obligations.

SECTION 10.02 <u>Guaranty of Payment</u>. This Loan Guaranty is a guaranty of payment and not of collection. Each Loan Guarantor waives any right to require the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender to sue any Borrower, any Loan Guarantor, any other guarantor, or any other Person obligated for all or any part of the Guaranteed Obligations (each, an "<u>Obligated Party</u>"), or otherwise to enforce its payment against any collateral securing all or any part of the Guaranteed Obligations.

SECTION 10.03 No Discharge or Diminishment of Loan Guaranty. (a) Except as otherwise provided for herein, the obligations of each Loan Guarantor hereunder are unconditional and absolute and not subject to any reduction, limitation, impairment or termination for any reason (other than the indefeasible payment in full in cash of the Guaranteed Obligations), including: (i) any claim of waiver, release, extension, renewal, settlement, surrender, alteration or compromise of any of the Guaranteed Obligations, by operation of law or otherwise; (ii) any change in the corporate existence, structure or ownership of any Borrower or any other Obligated Party liable for any of the Guaranteed Obligations; (iii) any insolvency, bankruptcy, reorganization or other similar proceeding affecting any Obligated Party or their assets or any resulting release or discharge of any obligation of any Obligated Party; or (iv) the existence of any claim, setoff or other rights which any Loan Guarantor may have at any time against any Obligated Party, the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank, any Lender or any other Person, whether in connection herewith or in any unrelated transactions.

- (b) The obligations of each Loan Guarantor hereunder are not subject to any defense or setoff, counterclaim, recoupment or termination whatsoever by reason of the invalidity, illegality or unenforceability of any of the Guaranteed Obligations or otherwise, or any provision of applicable law or regulation purporting to prohibit payment by any Obligated Party, of the Guaranteed Obligations or any part thereof.
- (c) Further, the obligations of any Loan Guarantor hereunder are not discharged or impaired or otherwise affected by: (i) the failure of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender to assert any claim or demand or to enforce any remedy with respect to all or any part of the Guaranteed Obligations; (ii) any waiver or modification of or supplement to any provision of any agreement relating to the Guaranteed Obligations; (iii) any release, non-perfection or invalidity of any indirect or direct security for the obligations of any Borrower for all or any part of the Guaranteed Obligations or any obligations of any other Obligated Party liable for any of the Guaranteed Obligations; (iv) any action or failure to act by the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender with respect to any collateral securing any part of the Guaranteed Obligations; or (v) any default, failure or delay, willful or otherwise, in the payment or performance of any of the Guaranteed Obligations, or any other circumstance, act, omission or delay that might in any manner or to any extent vary the risk of such Loan Guarantor or that would otherwise operate as a discharge of any Loan Guarantor as a matter of law or equity (other than the indefeasible payment in full in cash of the Guaranteed Obligations).

SECTION 10.04 <u>Defenses Waived</u>. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, each Loan Guarantor hereby waives any defense based on or arising out of any defense of any Borrower or any Loan Guarantor or the unenforceability of all or any part of the Guaranteed Obligations from any cause, or the cessation from any cause of the liability of any Borrower or any Loan Guarantor, other than the indefeasible payment in full in cash of the Guaranteed Obligations. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Loan Guarantor irrevocably waives acceptance hereof, presentment, demand, protest and, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any notice not provided for herein, as well as any requirement that at any time any action be taken by any Person against any Obligated Party, or any other Person.

Each Loan Guarantor confirms that it is not a surety under any state law and shall not raise any such law as a defense to its obligations hereunder. The Administrative Agent may, at its election, foreclose on any Collateral held by it by one or more judicial or nonjudicial sales, accept an assignment of any such Collateral in lieu of foreclosure or otherwise act or fail to act with respect to any collateral securing all or a part of the Guaranteed Obligations, compromise or adjust any part of the Guaranteed Obligations, make any other accommodation with any Obligated Party or exercise any other right or remedy available to it against any Obligated Party, without affecting or impairing in any way the liability of such Loan Guarantor under this Loan Guaranty except to the extent the Guaranteed Obligations have been fully and indefeasibly paid in cash. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, each Loan Guarantor waives any defense arising out of any such election even though that election may operate, pursuant to applicable law, to impair or extinguish any right of reimbursement or subrogation or other right or remedy of any Loan Guarantor against any Obligated Party or any security.

SECTION 10.05 <u>Rights of Subrogation</u>. No Loan Guarantor will assert any right, claim or cause of action, including, without limitation, a claim of subrogation, contribution or indemnification, that it has against any Obligated Party, or any collateral, until the Loan Parties and the Loan Guarantors have fully performed all their obligations to the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders.

SECTION 10.06 Reinstatement; Stay of Acceleration. If at any time any payment of any portion of the Guaranteed Obligations (including a payment effected through exercise of a right of setoff) is rescinded, or must otherwise be restored or returned upon the insolvency, bankruptcy or reorganization of any Borrower or otherwise (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by a Secured Party in its discretion), each Loan Guarantor's obligations under this Loan Guaranty with respect to that payment shall be reinstated at such time as though the payment had not been made and whether or not the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders are in possession of this Loan Guaranty. If acceleration of the time for payment of any of the Guaranteed Obligations is stayed upon the insolvency, bankruptcy or reorganization of any Borrower, all such amounts otherwise subject to acceleration under the terms of any agreement relating to the Guaranteed Obligations shall nonetheless be payable by the Loan Guarantors forthwith on demand by the Administrative Agent.

SECTION 10.07 <u>Information</u>. Each Loan Guarantor assumes all responsibility for being and keeping itself informed of the Borrowers' financial condition and assets, and of all other circumstances bearing upon the risk of nonpayment of the Guaranteed Obligations and the nature, scope and extent of the risks that each Loan Guarantor assumes and incurs under this Loan Guaranty, and agrees that neither the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank nor any Lender shall have any duty to advise any Loan Guarantor of information known to it regarding those circumstances or risks.

SECTION 10.08 <u>Termination</u>. Each of the Lenders and the Issuing Bank may continue to make loans or extend credit to the Borrowers based on this Loan Guaranty until five (5) days after it receives written notice of termination from any Loan Guarantor. Notwithstanding receipt of any such notice, each Loan Guarantor will continue to be liable to the Lenders for any Guaranteed Obligations created, assumed or committed to prior to the fifth day after receipt of the notice, and all subsequent renewals, extensions, modifications and amendments with respect to, or substitutions for, all or any part of such Guaranteed Obligations. Nothing in this Section 10.08 shall be deemed to constitute a waiver of, or eliminate, limit, reduce or otherwise impair any rights or remedies the Administrative Agent or any Lender may have in respect of, any Default or Event of Default that shall exist under clause (o) of Article VII hereof as a result of any such notice of termination.

SECTION 10.09 Taxes. Each payment of the Guaranteed Obligations will be made by each Loan Guarantor without withholding for any Taxes, unless such withholding is required by law. If any Loan Guarantor determines, in its sole discretion exercised in good faith, that it is so required to withhold Taxes, then such Loan Guarantor may so withhold and shall timely pay the full amount of withheld Taxes to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with applicable law. If such Taxes are Indemnified Taxes, then the amount payable by such Loan Guarantor shall be increased as necessary so that, net of such withholding (including such withholding applicable to additional amounts payable under this Section), the Administrative Agent, Lender or Issuing Bank (as the case may be) receives the amount it would have received had no such withholding been made.

SECTION 10.10 <u>Maximum Liability</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Loan Guaranty, the amount guaranteed by each Loan Guarantor hereunder shall be limited to the extent, if any, required so that its obligations hereunder shall not be subject to avoidance under Section 548 of the Bankruptcy Code or under any applicable state Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act, Uniform Fraudulent Conveyance Act or similar statute or common law. In determining the limitations, if any, on the amount of any Loan Guarantor's obligations hereunder pursuant to the preceding sentence, it is the intention of the parties hereto that any rights of subrogation, indemnification or contribution which such Loan Guarantor may have under this Loan Guaranty, any other agreement or applicable law shall be taken into account..

SECTION 10.11 Contribution.

- (a) To the extent that any Loan Guarantor shall make a payment under this Loan Guaranty (a "Guarantor Payment") which, taking into account all other Guarantor Payments then previously or concurrently made by any other Loan Guarantor, exceeds the amount which otherwise would have been paid by or attributable to such Loan Guarantor if each Loan Guarantor had paid the aggregate Guaranteed Obligations satisfied by such Guarantor Payment in the same proportion as such Loan Guarantor's "Allocable Amount" (as defined below) (as determined immediately prior to such Guarantor Payment) bore to the aggregate Allocable Amounts of each of the Loan Guarantors as determined immediately prior to the making of such Guarantor Payment, then, following indefeasible payment in full in cash of the Guarantor Payment and the Guaranteed Obligations (other than Unliquidated Obligations that have not yet arisen), and all Commitments and Letters of Credit have terminated or expired or, in the case of all Letters of Credit, are fully collateralized on terms reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank, and this Agreement, the Swap Agreement Obligations and the Banking Services Obligations have terminated, such Loan Guarantor shall be entitled to receive contribution and indemnification payments from, and be reimbursed by, each other Loan Guarantor for the amount of such excess, pro rata based upon their respective Allocable Amounts in effect immediately prior to such Guarantor Payment.
- (b) As of any date of determination, the "Allocable Amount" of any Loan Guarantor shall be equal to the excess of the fair saleable value of the property of such Loan Guarantor over the total liabilities of such Loan Guarantor (including the maximum amount reasonably expected to become due in respect of contingent liabilities, calculated, without duplication, assuming each other Loan Guarantor that is also liable for such contingent liability pays its ratable share thereof), giving effect to all payments made by other Loan Guarantors as of such date in a manner to maximize the amount of such contributions.
- (c) This Section 10.11 is intended only to define the relative rights of the Loan Guarantors, and nothing set forth in this Section 10.11 is intended to or shall impair the obligations of the Loan Guarantors, jointly and severally, to pay any amounts as and when the same shall become due and payable in accordance with the terms of this Loan Guaranty.

- (d) The parties hereto acknowledge that the rights of contribution and indemnification hereunder shall constitute assets of the Loan Guarantor or Loan Guarantors to which such contribution and indemnification is owing.
- (e) The rights of the indemnifying Loan Guarantors against other Loan Guarantors under this Section 10.11 shall be exercisable upon the full and indefeasible payment of the Guaranteed Obligations in cash (other than Unliquidated Obligations that have not yet arisen) and the termination or expiry (or, in the case of all Letters of Credit, full cash collateralization), on terms reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank, of the Commitments and all Letters of Credit issued hereunder and the termination of this Agreement, the Swap Agreement Obligations and the Banking Services Obligations.

SECTION 10.12 <u>Liability Cumulative</u>. The liability of each Loan Party as a Loan Guarantor under this <u>Article X</u> is in addition to and shall be cumulative with all liabilities of each Loan Party to the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents to which such Loan Party is a party or in respect of any obligations or liabilities of the other Loan Parties, without any limitation as to amount, unless the instrument or agreement evidencing or creating such other liability specifically provides to the contrary.

SECTION 10.13 Keepwell. Each Qualified ECP Guarantor hereby jointly and severally absolutely, unconditionally and irrevocably undertakes to provide such funds or other support as may be needed from time to time by each other Loan Party to honor all of its obligations under this Guarantee in respect of a Swap Obligation (provided, however, that each Qualified ECP Guarantor shall only be liable under this Section 10.13 for the maximum amount of such liability that can be hereby incurred without rendering its obligations under this Section 10.13 or otherwise under this Loan Guaranty voidable under applicable law relating to fraudulent conveyance or fraudulent transfer, and not for any greater amount). Except as otherwise provided herein, the obligations of each Qualified ECP Guarantor under this Section 10.13 shall remain in full force and effect until the termination of all Swap Obligations. Each Qualified ECP Guarantor intends that this Section 10.13 constitute, and this Section 10.13 shall be deemed to constitute, a "keepwell, support, or other agreement" for the benefit of each other Loan Party for all purposes of Section 1a(18)(A)(v)(II) of the Commodity Exchange Act.

ARTICLE XI.

THE BORROWER REPRESENTATIVE

SECTION 11.01 <u>Appointment; Nature of Relationship.</u> Holdings is hereby appointed by each of the Borrowers as its contractual representative (herein referred to as the "<u>Borrower Representative</u>") hereunder and under each other Loan Document, and each of the Borrowers irrevocably authorizes the Borrower Representative to act as the contractual representative of such Borrower with the rights and duties expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents. The Borrower Representative agrees to act as such contractual representative upon the express conditions contained in this <u>Article XI</u>. Additionally, the Borrowers hereby appoint the Borrower Representative as their agent to receive all of the proceeds of the Loans in the Funding Account(s), at which time the Borrower Representative shall promptly disburse such Loans to the appropriate Borrower(s), provided that, in the case of a Revolving Loan, such amount shall not exceed Availability. The Administrative Agent and the Lenders, and their respective officers, directors, agents or employees, shall not be liable to the Borrower Representative or any Borrower for any action taken or omitted to be taken by the Borrower Representative or the Borrowers pursuant to this <u>Section 11.01</u>.

SECTION 11.02 <u>Powers</u>. The Borrower Representative shall have and may exercise such powers under the Loan Documents as are specifically delegated to the Borrower Representative by the terms of each thereof, together with such powers as are reasonably incidental thereto. The Borrower Representative shall have no implied duties to the Borrowers, or any obligation to the Lenders to take any action thereunder except any action specifically provided by the Loan Documents to be taken by the Borrower Representative.

SECTION 11.03 <u>Employment of Agents</u>. The Borrower Representative may execute any of its duties as the Borrower Representative hereunder and under any other Loan Document by or through authorized officers.

SECTION 11.04 Notices. Each Borrower shall immediately notify the Borrower Representative of the occurrence of any Default hereunder describing such Default and stating that such notice is a "notice of default". In the event that the Borrower Representative receives such a notice, the Borrower Representative shall give prompt notice thereof to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders. Any notice provided to the Borrower Representative hereunder shall constitute notice to each Borrower on the date received by the Borrower Representative.

SECTION 11.05 <u>Successor Borrower Representative</u>. Upon the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent, the Borrower Representative may resign at any time, such resignation to be effective upon the appointment of a successor Borrower Representative. The Administrative Agent shall give prompt written notice of such resignation to the Lenders.

SECTION 11.06 <u>Execution of Loan Documents</u>; Borrowing Base Certificate. The Borrowers hereby empower and authorize the Borrower Representative, on behalf of the Borrowers, to execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders the Loan Documents and all related agreements, certificates, documents, or instruments as shall be necessary or appropriate to effect the purposes of the Loan Documents, including, without limitation, Borrowing Base Certificates and the Compliance Certificates. Each Borrower agrees that any action taken by the Borrower Representative or the Borrowers in accordance with the terms of this Agreement or the other Loan Documents, and the exercise by the Borrower Representative of its powers set forth therein or herein, together with such other powers that are reasonably incidental thereto, shall be binding upon all of the Borrowers.

SECTION 11.07 <u>Reporting.</u> Each Borrower hereby agrees that such Borrower shall furnish promptly after each fiscal month to the Borrower Representative a copy of its Borrowing Base Certificate and any other certificate or report required hereunder or requested by the Borrower Representative on which the Borrower Representative shall rely to prepare the Borrowing Base Certificates and Compliance Certificate required pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement.

[Signature Pages Follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed and delivered by their respective authorized officers as of the day and year first above written.

BORROWERS:

CHEFS' WAREHOUSE PARENT, LLC DAIRYLAND USA CORPORATION as Borrowers

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

OTHER LOAN PARTIES:

THE CHEFS' WAREHOUSE MID-ATLANTIC,

LLC

BEL CANTO FOODS, LLC

THE CHEFS' WAREHOUSE WEST COAST, LLC

THE CHEFS' WAREHOUSE OF FLORIDA, LLC

THE CHEFS' WAREHOUSE, INC.

MICHAEL'S FINER MEATS, LLC

MICHAEL'S FINER MEATS HOLDINGS, LLC

THE CHEFS' WAREHOUSE MIDWEST, LLC

THE CHEFS' WAREHOUSE PASTRY DIVISION, INC.

QZ ACQUISITION (USA), INC.

QZINA SPECIALTY FOODS NORTH AMERICA (USA),

INC.

QZINA SPECIALTY FOODS, INC., a Florida corporation

QZINA SPECIALTY FOODS, INC., a Washington

corporation

QZINA SPECIALTY FOODS (AMBASSADOR), INC.

CW LV REAL ESTATE LLC

ALLEN BROTHERS 1893, LLC

THE GREAT STEAKHOUSE STEAKS, LLC

DEL MONTE CAPITOL MEAT COMPANY HOLDINGS,

LLC

DEL MONTE CAPITOL MEAT COMPANY, LLC

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

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JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., individually as a Lender, as the Swingline Lender, as the Issuing Bank, and as Administrative Agent

By /s/ Joseph K. Kotusky

Name: Joseph K. Kotusky Title: Authorized Officer

WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as a Lender

By /s/ James Campbell

Name: James Campbell Title: Vice President

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., as a Lender

By /s/ Aangi Kothari

Name: Aangi Kothari Title: Credit Officer

BMO HARRIS FINANCING INC., as a Lender

By /s/ Craig Thistlethwaite

Name: Craig Thistlethwaite Title: Managing Director

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COMMITMENT SCHEDULE

Lender	Commitment
JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.	\$21,000,000
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.	\$18,000,000
Bank of America, N.A.	\$18,000,000
BMO Harris Financing Inc.	\$18,000,000
Total	\$75,000,000

CREDIT AGREEMENT

dated as of

June 22, 2016

among

DAIRYLAND USA CORPORATION

and

CHEFS' WAREHOUSE PARENT, LLC, as Borrowers,

THE CHEFS' WAREHOUSE, INC.

and

the other Loan Parties party hereto, as Guarantors,

the Lenders party hereto,

 ${\it JEFFERIES\ FINANCE\ LLC},$ as Joint Lead Arranger and Joint Bookrunner, Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent,

and

BMO Capital Markets Corp.,
JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.
and
Wells Fargo Securities, LLC,
as Joint Lead Arrangers and Joint Bookrunners

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CREDIT AGREEMENT dated as of June 22, 2016, (as it may be amended, restated or modified from time to time, this "<u>Agreement</u>") among DAIRYLAND USA CORPORATION, a New York corporation ("<u>Dairyland</u>") as a Borrower, CHEFS' WAREHOUSE PARENT, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (together with Dairyland, collectively the "<u>Borrowers</u>" and each individually a "<u>Borrower</u>") as a Borrower, the other Loan Parties party hereto, the Lenders party hereto, and JEFFERIES FINANCE LLC, as Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent.

The parties hereto agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

- SECTION 1.01. <u>Defined Terms</u>. As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings specified below:
- "ABL Agent" means (i) the Original ABL Agent and (ii) each administrative agent and/or collateral agent under any ABL Facility (other than the Original ABL Facility), including the successors and permitted assigns of each of the foregoing.
- "ABL Facility" means (i) the Original ABL Facility, as amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified in accordance with the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement and (ii) each refinancing or replacement of any ABL Facility, in accordance with the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement.
 - "ABL Loan" shall have the meaning assigned to the term "Loan" in the ABL Facility.
 - "ABL Loan Documents" shall have the meaning assigned to the term "Loan Documents" in the ABL Facility.
 - "ABL Obligations" shall have the meaning assigned to the term "Secured Obligations" in the ABL Facility.
 - "ABL Priority Collateral" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the Intercreditor Agreement.
- "ABR", when used in reference to any Loan or Borrowing, refers to a Loan, or the Loans comprising such Borrowing, bearing interest at a rate determined by reference to the Alternate Base Rate.
 - "Account" has the meaning assigned to such term in the Security Agreement.
 - "Account Debtor" means any Person obligated on an Account.
 - "Act" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.14.
- "Adjusted LIBOR Rate" means, with respect to any Eurodollar Borrowing for any Interest Period, the greater of (a) (i) an interest rate per annum (rounded upward, if necessary, to the next 1/100th of 1%) determined by the Administrative Agent to be equal to the LIBOR Rate for such Eurodollar Borrowing in effect for such Interest Period divided by (ii) 1 *minus* the Statutory Reserve Rate (if any) for such Eurodollar Borrowing for such Interest Period and (b) 1.00% per annum.

- "<u>Administrative Agent</u>" means Jefferies Finance LLC, in its capacity as administrative agent for the Lenders hereunder and any successor Administrative Agent appointed pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.
 - "Administrative Questionnaire" means an administrative questionnaire in a form supplied by the Administrative Agent.
- "<u>Affected Foreign Subsidiary</u>" means any Foreign Subsidiary to the extent more than 66 2/3% of the voting Equity Interests of such Foreign Subsidiary being pledged to support the Secured Obligations could reasonably be expected to cause a Deemed Dividend Issue.
- "Affiliate" means, with respect to a specified Person, another Person that (i) directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, Controls or is Controlled by or is under common Control with the Person specified or (ii) with respect to any Loan Party or Subsidiary, has the power to vote, directly or indirectly, 10% or more of the Equity Interests of such specified Person. For purposes of the Loan Documents, Jefferies LLC and its Affiliates shall be deemed to be Affiliates of Jefferies Finance LLC and its Affiliates.
 - "Agents" means, collectively, the Administrative Agent and the Collateral Agent.
 - "Agreement" has the meaning ascribed to it in the preamble.
- "All-in-Yield" means, as to any Indebtedness, the effective yield applicable thereto calculated by the Administrative Agent in consultation with the Borrower Representative in a manner consistent with generally accepted financial practices, which shall include (a) interest rate margin and interest rate floors (subject to the proviso set forth below), (b) any amendment to the relevant interest rate margins and interest rate floors that became effective after the Effective Date but prior to the applicable date of determination and (c) original issue discount (based on, to the extent applicable, an assumed four-year average life to maturity) and upfront or similar fees paid by the Borrowers or any Loan Party, but shall exclude any customary arrangement, commitment, structuring, underwriting and similar fees that are not paid to all of the Lenders providing the applicable Incremental Facility; provided, however, if any such Indebtedness includes any interest rate floor that is greater than that applicable to the then-existing Term Loans and such floor is applicable to the then-existing Term Loans on the date of determination, such excess amount shall be equated to interest rate margin for determining the increase.

"Alternate Base Rate" means, for any day, highest of (a) the Prime Rate, (b) the Federal Funds Effective Rate from time to time, plus 0.50%, (c) 2.00% and (d) the Adjusted LIBOR Rate for a one-month Interest Period plus 1.00%. If the Administrative Agent shall have determined in good faith (which determination shall be conclusive absent manifest error) that it is unable to ascertain the Federal Funds Effective Rate or the applicable Adjusted LIBOR Rate for any reason, including the inability or failure of the Administrative Agent to obtain sufficient quotations in accordance with the terms of the definition thereof, the Alternate Base Rate shall be determined without regard to clause (b) or clause (d), as applicable, of the preceding sentence until the circumstances giving rise to such inability no longer exist. Any change in the Alternate Base Rate due to a change in the Prime Rate, the Federal Funds Effective Rate or the then applicable Adjusted LIBOR Rate shall be effective on the effective date of such change in the Prime Rate, the Federal Funds Effective Rate or the then applicable Adjusted LIBOR Rate, respectively. "Alternate Base Rate," when used in reference to any Loan or Borrowing, is used when such Loan comprising such Borrowing is, or the Loans comprising such Borrowing are, bearing interest at a rate determined by reference to the Alternate Base Rate in accordance with the provisions of Article II.

- "Applicable Percentage" means, with respect to any Lender, (a) with respect to Delayed Draw Term Loans, a percentage equal to a fraction the numerator of which is such Lender's DDTL Commitment and the denominator of which is the aggregate DDTL Commitments of all DDTL Lenders (if the DDTL Commitments have terminated or expired, the Applicable Percentages shall be determined based upon the DDTL Commitments most recently in effect, giving effect to any assignments) and (b) with respect to the Term Loans, a percentage equal to a fraction the numerator of which is such Lender's outstanding principal amount of the Term Loans and the denominator of which is the aggregate outstanding amount of the Term Loans of all Term Lenders; provided that, in the case of Section 2.20 when a Defaulting Lender shall exist, any such Defaulting Lender's Commitment shall be disregarded in the calculations under clauses (a) and (b) above.
- "Applicable Pledge Percentage" means 100% but 65% in the case of a pledge by the Borrowers or any Domestic Subsidiary of its Equity Interests in an Affected Foreign Subsidiary or its Equity Interests in a FSHCO.
- "Applicable Rate" means, for any day, (i) with respect to any Eurodollar Loan, 4.75% per annum or (ii) with respect to any ABR Loan, 3.75% per annum.
 - "Approved Fund" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.04(b).
- "Arrangers" means each of Jefferies Finance LLC (acting through any of its Affiliates as it deems appropriate), BMO Capital Markets Corp., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC in its capacity as joint lead arranger and joint bookrunner for the credit facilities evidenced by this Agreement.
- "Assignment and Assumption" means an assignment and assumption agreement entered into by a Lender and an assignee (with the consent of any party whose consent is required by Section 9.04), and accepted by the Administrative Agent, in the form of Exhibit A or any other form approved by the Administrative Agent.
 - "Augmenting Lender" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.22.
- "Authorized Officer" means, with respect to any Loan Party, the chief executive officer, the president, a Financial Officer or any other officer of such Loan Party with responsibility for the administration of the relevant portion of this Agreement.
- "Availability Period" means the period from and including the Effective Date to but excluding the earlier of the Maturity Date and the date of termination of the DDTL Commitments.
- "Average Life" means, as of the date of determination, with respect to any Indebtedness, the quotient obtained by dividing (i) the sum of the products of (A) the numbers of years (calculated to the nearest one-twelfth) from the date of determination to the dates of each successive scheduled principal payment of such Indebtedness multiplied by (B) the amount of such payment by (ii) the sum of all such payments.
- "Bail-In Action" means the exercise of any Write-Down and Conversion Powers by the applicable EEA Resolution Authority in respect of any liability of an EEA Financial Institution.
- "Bail-In Legislation" means, with respect to any EEA Member Country implementing Article 55 of Directive 2014/59/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of the European Union, the implementing law for such EEA Member Country from time to time which is described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule.

"Bankruptcy Event" means, with respect to any Person, such Person becomes the subject of a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding, or has had a receiver, conservator, trustee, administrator, custodian, assignee for the benefit of creditors or similar Person charged with reorganization or liquidation of its business, appointed for it, or, in the good faith determination of the Administrative Agent, has taken any action in furtherance of, or indicating its consent to, approval of, or acquiescence in, any such proceeding or appointment; provided that a Bankruptcy Event shall not result solely by virtue of any ownership interest, or the acquisition of any ownership interest, in such Person by a Governmental Authority or instrumentality thereof; provided, further, that such ownership interest does not result in or provide such Person with immunity from the jurisdiction of courts within the United States or from the enforcement of judgments or writs of attachment on its assets or permit such Person (or such Governmental Authority or instrumentality), to reject, repudiate, disavow or disaffirm any contracts or agreements made by such Person.

"Beneficial Owner" means, with respect to any U.S. Federal withholding Tax, the beneficial owner, for U.S. Federal income tax purposes, to whom such Tax relates.

"Board" means the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System of the United States of America.

"Borrower" or "Borrowers" each has the meaning assigned to such term in the preamble.

"Borrower Representative" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 11.01.

"Borrowing" means a Term Loan made, converted or continued on the same date and, in the case of Eurodollar Loans, as to which a single Interest Period is in effect.

"Borrowing Request" means a request by the Borrower Representative for a Term Loan Borrowing in accordance with Section 2.03.

"Business Day" means any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banks in New York City are authorized or required by law to remain closed; provided that, when used in connection with a Eurodollar Loan, the term "Business Day" shall also exclude any day on which banks are not open for dealings in Dollar deposits in the London interbank market.

"<u>Capital Expenditures</u>" means, without duplication, any expenditure or commitment to expend money for any purchase or other acquisition of any asset which would be classified as a fixed or capital asset on a consolidated balance sheet of Holdings and its Subsidiaries prepared in accordance with GAAP.

"<u>Capital Lease Obligations</u>" of any Person means the obligations of such Person to pay rent or other amounts under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, in each case, which obligations are required to be classified and accounted for as capital leases on a balance sheet of such Person under GAAP, and the amount of such obligations shall be the capitalized amount thereof determined in accordance with GAAP.

"Change in Control" means (a) the acquisition of ownership, directly or indirectly, beneficially or of record, by any Person or group (within the meaning of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules of the SEC thereunder as in effect on the Effective Date) other than (i) Christopher Pappas, John Pappas, Dean Facatselis or Kay Facatselis, (ii) the officers, directors or management of Holdings as of the Effective Date or (iii) any corporation, limited liability company or partnership owned and controlled directly or directly by any Person or Persons described in clauses (i) and (ii), of Equity Interests representing more than 50% of the aggregate ordinary voting power represented by the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of Holdings or (b) Holdings shall cease to own and control all of the outstanding Equity Interests of any of the Borrowers on a fully diluted basis.

"Change in Law" means the occurrence, after the Effective Date (or with respect to any Lender, if later, the date on which such Lender becomes a Lender), of any of the following: (a) the adoption or taking effect of any law, rule, regulation or treaty, (b) any change in any law, rule, regulation or treaty or in the administration, interpretation, implementation or application thereof by any Governmental Authority, or (c) the making or issuance of any request, rules, guideline, requirement or directive (whether or not having the force of law) by any Governmental Authority; provided however, that notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, (i) the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and all requests, rules, guidelines, requirements and directives thereunder, issued in connection therewith or in implementation thereof, and (ii) all requests, rules, guidelines, requirements and directives promulgated by the Bank for International Settlements, the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (or any successor or similar authority) or the United States or foreign regulatory authorities, in each case pursuant to Basel III, shall in each case be deemed to be a "Change in Law" regardless of the date enacted, adopted, issued or implemented.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

"Collateral" means any and all property owned by a Person that is covered by or purported to be covered by the Collateral Documents and any and all other property of any Loan Party, now existing or hereafter acquired, that may at any time be or become subject to a Lien in favor of the Collateral Agent, on behalf of itself and the Lenders and other Secured Parties, to secure the Secured Obligations; provided that "Collateral" shall not include any Excluded Assets or, for the avoidance of doubt, any of the Equity Interests in, or property or assets of, the Excluded Subsidiary.

"Collateral Agent" means Jefferies Finance LLC, in its capacity as collateral agent for the Secured Parties and any successor Collateral Agent appointed pursuant to the terms of this Agreement and the Intercreditor Agreement.

"Collateral Documents" means, collectively, the Security Agreement, the Mortgages, any short form intellectual property security agreement and all other agreements, instruments and documents executed in connection with this Agreement that are intended to create, perfect or evidence Liens to secure the Secured Obligations.

"<u>Commitment</u>" means, with respect to each Lender, such Lender's DDTL Commitment. The amount of each Lender's Commitment is set forth on the Commitment Schedule, or in the Assignment and Assumption pursuant to which such Lender shall have assumed its Commitment, as applicable.

"Commitment Schedule" means, collectively, Schedules 2.01(a) and (b) attached hereto.

"Commodity Exchange Act" means the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. § 1 et seq.), as amended from time to time, and any successor statute.

"Connection Income Taxes" means Other Connection Taxes that are imposed on or measured by net income (however denominated) or that are franchise Taxes or branch profits Taxes.

"Control" means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of a Person, whether through the ability to exercise voting power, by contract or otherwise. "Controlling" and "Controlled" have meanings correlative thereto.

"Credit Party" means the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent or any other Lender.

"Cumulative Retained Excess Cash Flow Amount" means, as of any date, an amount not less than zero in the aggregate for any Excess Cash Flow Period, determined on a cumulative basis equal to the aggregate cumulative sum of the Retained Excess Cash Flow for all Excess Cash Flow Periods ending after the Effective Date and prior to such date *minus* the sum of (i) the aggregate amount of investments made in reliance on Section 6.04(r) in excess of \$5,000,000, (ii) the aggregate amount of Restricted Payments made in reliance on Section 6.08(a)(iv) in excess of \$5,000,000 and (iii) the aggregate amount of payments in respect of Subordinated Indebtedness made in reliance on Section 6.08(b)(xi), in each case prior to such date.

" $\underline{\text{Dairyland}}$ " has the meaning ascribed to it in the preamble.

"Dairyland HP" means Dairyland HP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

"Dairyland HP Facility" means the premises at 200-240 Food Center Drive, Bronx, New York.

"<u>Dairyland HP Indebtedness</u>" means the Indebtedness (including, without limitation, loans and Guarantees) incurred under the New Markets Tax Credit Financing.

"DDTL Commitment" means (a) as to any DDTL Lender, the aggregate commitment of such DDTL Lender to make Delayed Draw Term Loans as set forth on Schedule 2.01(b) or in the most recent Assignment and Assumption or other documentation contemplated hereby executed by such DDTL Lender and (b) as to all DDTL Lenders, the aggregate commitment of all DDTL Lenders to make Delayed Draw Term Loans, which aggregate commitment shall be \$50,000,000 on the date of this Agreement and which may be reduced or terminated from time to time in accordance with Section 2.09. After advancing all Delayed Draw Term Loans, each reference to a DDTL Lender's DDTL Commitment shall refer to that DDTL Lender's Applicable Percentage of the Delayed Draw Term Loans.

"DDTL Lender" means, as of any date of determination, a Lender with a DDTL Commitment or, if the DDTL Commitments have terminated or expired, a Lender with Delayed Draw Term Loans.

"<u>Deemed Dividend Issue</u>" means, with respect to any Foreign Subsidiary, such Foreign Subsidiary's accumulated and undistributed earnings and profits being deemed to be repatriated to Holdings or the applicable parent Domestic Subsidiary under Section 956 of the Code and the effect of such repatriation causing materially adverse tax consequences to Holdings or such parent Domestic Subsidiary, in each case as determined by the Borrower Representative in its commercially reasonable judgment acting in good faith and in consultation with its legal and tax advisors.

"<u>Default</u>" means any event or condition which constitutes an Event of Default or which upon notice, lapse of time or both would, unless cured or waived, become an Event of Default.

"<u>Defaulting Lender</u>" means any Lender that (a) has failed, within two (2) Business Days of the date required to be funded or paid, to (i) fund any portion of its Loans or (ii) pay over to any Credit Party any other amount required to be paid by it hereunder, unless, in the case of <u>clause (i)</u> above, such Lender notifies the Administrative Agent in writing that such failure is the result of such Lender's good faith determination that a condition precedent to funding (specifically identified and including the particular Default, if any) has not been satisfied;

(b) has notified any Borrower or any Credit Party in writing, or has made a public statement, to the effect that it does not intend or expect to comply with any of its funding obligations under this Agreement (unless such writing or public statement indicates that such position is based on such Lender's good faith determination that a condition precedent to funding a Loan under this Agreement (specifically identified and including the particular Default, if any) cannot be satisfied) or generally under other agreements in which it commits to extend credit; (c) has failed, within three (3) Business Days after request by a Credit Party, acting in good faith, to provide a certification in writing from an authorized officer of such Lender that it will comply with its obligations to fund prospective Loans; provided that such Lender shall cease to be a Defaulting Lender pursuant to this clause (c) upon such Credit Party's receipt of such certification in form and substance satisfactory to it and the Administrative Agent or (d) has become the subject of (i) a Bankruptcy Event or (ii) a Bail-In Action.

"Delayed Draw Term Loans" means the delayed draw term loans made by the DDTL Lenders to the Borrowers pursuant to Section 2.01(b).

"Dollars" or "\$" refers to lawful money of the United States of America.

"Domestic Subsidiary" means a Subsidiary organized under the laws of a jurisdiction located in the United States of America.

"EBITDA" means, for any period, Net Income for such period plus (a) without duplication and to the extent deducted in determining Net Income for such period, the sum of (i) Interest Expense for such period, (ii) income tax expense for such period net of tax refunds, (iii) all amounts attributable to depreciation and amortization expense for such period, (iv) any extraordinary non-cash charges for such period, (v) any other non-cash charges for such period (but excluding any non-cash charge in respect of an item that was included in Net Income in a prior period and any non-cash charge that relates to the write-down or write-off of inventory or accounts receivable), (vi) non-recurring fees, cash charges and other cash expenses made or incurred in connection with a completed Permitted Acquisition, (vii) non-recurring cash charges related to workers' compensation claims, (viii) non-recurring fees, cash charges and other cash expenses, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 for any period of four (4) consecutive Fiscal Quarters and (ix) expected cost savings, operating expense reductions, other operating improvements and expense reductions and product margin synergies and product cost and other synergies ("Expected Cost Savings") projected by the Borrower Representative in good faith to be realized as a result of any asset sale, merger or other business combination, acquisition, investment, disposition or divestiture, operating improvement and expense reductions, restructurings, cost saving initiatives, any similar initiative and/or specified transaction taken or to be taken by Holdings or any of its Subsidiaries, net of the amount of actual benefits realized during such period from such actions; provided that such cost savings, expense reductions, operating improvements and synergies are reasonably identifiable and factually supportable and are reasonably anticipated to be realized within 12 months after the change, acquisition, disposition or other transaction that is expected to result in such cost savings, expense reductions, or operating improvements and other synergies; provided, further, that the aggregate amount that can be added back in reliance on this clause (ix), shall not exceed 10% of EBITDA in any period (calculated before giving effect to any such add-backs and adjustments and which 10% cap shall not apply to amounts added back in reliance on any other clause in this definition of "EBITDA"), minus (b) without duplication and to the extent included in Net Income, any extraordinary gains and any non-cash items of income for such period, all calculated for Holdings and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

"ECP" means an "eligible contract participant" as defined in Section 1(a)(18) of the Commodity Exchange Act or any regulations promulgated thereunder and the applicable rules issued by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and/or the SEC.

"EEA Financial Institution" means (a) any credit institution or investment firm established in any EEA Member Country which is subject to the supervision of an EEA Resolution Authority, (b) any entity established in an EEA Member Country which is a parent of an institution described in clause (a) of this definition, or (c) any financial institution established in an EEA Member Country which is a subsidiary of an institution described in clauses (a) or (b) of this definition and is subject to consolidated supervision with its parent.

"EEA Member Country" means any of the member states of the European Union, Iceland, Liechtenstein, and Norway.

"<u>EEA Resolution Authority</u>" means any public administrative authority or any Person entrusted with public administrative authority of any EEA Member Country (including any delegee) having responsibility for the resolution of any EEA Financial Institution.

"Effective Date" means the date on which the conditions specified in Section 4.01 are satisfied (or waived in accordance with Section 9.02).

"Engagement Letter" means that certain Amended and Restated Engagement Letter, dated June 2, 2016, among Holdings and the Arrangers, as the same may be amended, supplemented, restated or otherwise modified from time to time.

"Enterprise Transformative Acquisition" means any merger, acquisition or investment by any Loan Party that either (a) is not permitted by the terms of the Loan Documents immediately prior to the consummation of such transaction or (b) if permitted by the terms of the Loan Documents immediately prior to the consummation of such transaction, would result in the Borrowers and its Subsidiaries having insufficient flexibility under the Loan Documents for the continuation and/or expansion of their combined operations following such consummation.

"Environmental Laws" means all laws (including, without limitation, common law), rules, regulations, codes, ordinances, orders, decrees, judgments, injunctions, notices or binding agreements issued, promulgated or entered into by any Governmental Authority, relating in any way to the environment, preservation or reclamation of natural resources, the management, release or threatened release of any Hazardous Material or to public or worker health and safety matters.

"Environmental Liability" means any liability, contingent or otherwise (including any liability for damages, costs of environmental remediation, fines, penalties or indemnities), of Holdings or any Subsidiary directly or indirectly resulting from or based upon (a) any violation of any Environmental Law, (b) the generation, use, handling, transportation, storage, treatment or disposal of any Hazardous Materials, (c) any exposure to any Hazardous Materials, (d) the release or threatened release of any Hazardous Materials into the environment or (e) any contract, agreement or other consensual arrangement pursuant to which liability is assumed or imposed with respect to any of the foregoing.

"Equity Interests" means shares of capital stock, partnership interests, membership interests in a limited liability company, beneficial interests in a trust or other equity ownership interests in a Person, and any warrants, options or other rights entitling the holder thereof to purchase or acquire any such equity interest. Notwithstanding the foregoing, neither Permitted Convertible Notes nor Permitted Call Spread Swap Agreements shall constitute Equity Interests.

"ERISA" means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended from time to time, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder from time to time in effect.

"ERISA Affiliate" means any trade or business (whether or not incorporated) that, together with a Borrower, is treated as a single employer under Section 414(b) or (c) of the Code or, solely for purposes of Section 302 of ERISA and Section 412 of the Code, is treated as a single employer under Section 414 of the Code.

"ERISA Event" means (a) any "reportable event", as defined in Section 4043 of ERISA or the regulations issued thereunder with respect to a Plan (other than an event for which the 30-day notice period is waived); (b) the failure to satisfy the "minimum funding standard" (as defined in Section 412 of the Code or Section 302 of ERISA), whether or not waived; (c) the filing pursuant to Section 412(c) of the Code or Section 302(c) of ERISA of an application for a waiver of the minimum funding standard with respect to any Plan; (d) the incurrence by any Borrower or any of its ERISA Affiliates of any liability under Title IV of ERISA with respect to the termination of any Plan; (e) the receipt by any Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate from the PBGC or a plan administrator of any notice relating to an intention to terminate any Plan or Plans or to appoint a trustee to administer any Plan; (f) the incurrence by any Borrower or any of its ERISA Affiliates of any liability with respect to the withdrawal or partial withdrawal of any Borrower or any of its ERISA Affiliates from any Plan or Multiemployer Plan; or (g) the receipt by any Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate of any notice, concerning the imposition upon any Borrower or any of its ERISA Affiliates of Withdrawal Liability or a determination that a Multiemployer Plan is, or is expected to be, insolvent or in reorganization, within the meaning of Title IV of ERISA.

"<u>EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule</u>" means the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule published by the Loan Market Association (or any successor Person), as in effect from time to time.

"Eurodollar", when used in reference to any Loan or Borrowing, refers to whether such Loan, or the Loans comprising such Borrowing, are bearing interest at a rate determined by reference to the Adjusted LIBOR Rate.

"Event of Default" has the meaning assigned to such term in Article VII.

"Excess Cash Flow" means, without duplication, with respect to any Fiscal Year of Holdings and its Subsidiaries, (a) the sum of (i) EBITDA and (ii) the decrease, if any, in the Working Capital from the beginning of such period to the end of such period <u>minus</u> (b) the sum of (i) unfinanced Capital Expenditures, (ii) Fixed Charges (less any dividends or distributions paid in cash), (iii) the aggregate amount of non-cash adjustments to EBITDA for periods prior to the beginning of such period to the extent paid in cash by Holdings and Subsidiaries during such period, (iv) the aggregate amount actually paid in cash by Holdings and its Subsidiaries during such period and so paid prior to the date the prepayment required under Section 2.11(d) in respect of such Excess Cash Flow is paid) with internally generated cash on account of investments permitted by <u>clause (l)</u> of Section 6.04 and Restricted Payments permitted by <u>clause (a)(x)</u> of Section 6.08 and (v) the increase, if any, in the Working Capital from the beginning to the end of such period.

"Excess Cash Flow Period" means each Fiscal Year of Holdings commencing with the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2017, but in all cases for purposes of calculating the Cumulative Retained Excess Cash Flow Amount shall only include such Fiscal Years for which financial statements and a Financials Certificate have been delivered in accordance with Sections 5.01(a), 5.01(b) and 5.01(c) and for which any prepayments required by Section 2.11(d) (if any) have been made.

"Excluded Assets" means (a) (i) any lease, license, contract, document, instrument or agreement to which any Loan Party is a party or (ii) property subject to a purchase money security interest, Capital Lease Obligation or similar arrangements permitted under this Agreement or the other Loan Documents, in the case of each of clauses (i) and (ii), to the extent that the creation of a Lien on such assets would, under the express terms thereof, violate or invalidate the terms of, or constitute a default under, such lease, license, contract, document, instrument, agreement, purchase money security interest, Capital Lease Obligation or similar arrangement or create a right of termination in favor of any other party thereto (other than a Loan Party) (other than to the extent (i) that any such term has been waived or (ii) any such term would be rendered ineffective pursuant to Sections 9-406, 9-408, 9-409 or other applicable provisions of the UCC of any relevant jurisdiction or any other applicable law (including bankruptcy laws) or principles of equity);

provided that, immediately upon the ineffectiveness, lapse or termination of any such express term, such assets shall automatically cease to constitute "Excluded Assets", (b) any Trademark (as defined in the Security Agreement) application filed on an intent to use basis until such time as a statement of use has been filed and accepted by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, (c) any Equity Interests in any Subsidiary that is not a Pledge Subsidiary, (d) (i) any Equity Interests in any Affected Foreign Subsidiary or FSHCO representing more than 65% of the total voting Equity Interests in such Affected Foreign Subsidiary or FSHCO, (ii) Equity Interests which constitute margin stock (within the meaning of Regulation U of the Federal Reserve Board) and (iii) Equity Interests in any Person other than wholly-owned Subsidiaries, (e) any leasehold interest of Dairyland HP in the Dairyland HP Facility, (f) Fixtures (as defined in the Security Agreement) located at the Dairyland HP Facility, (g) rights and obligations in connection with the Master Operating Sublease, dated on April 26, 2012, between Dairyland and Dairyland HP, relating to the Dairyland HP Facility, as the same may be amended from time to time, (h) any real property leasehold interests of any Loan Party, (i) any real property owned by a Loan Party, unless such real property (i) has an individual fair market at any time of greater than \$5,000,000 or (ii) is subject to a Mortgage, (j) any property of the Excluded Subsidiary and (k) motor vehicles, rolling stock or other assets subject to certificates of title (unless otherwise capable of perfection by filing of UCC financing statements); provided that, (x) "Excluded Assets" shall not include any proceeds, products, substitutions or replacements would otherwise constitute Excluded Assets) and (y) the foregoing exclusions shall not apply to any asset or property of Holdings and its Subsidiaries on which a Lien has been granted in favor of the ABL Agent to secure the ABL Obligations.

"Excluded Subsidiary" means Dairyland HP, so long as such entity is a single purpose real estate holding entity and an obligor under the New Markets Tax Credit Financing.

"Excluded Taxes" means any of the following Taxes imposed on or with respect to a Recipient or required to be withheld or deducted from a payment to a Recipient: (a) Taxes imposed on or measured by net income (however denominated), franchise Taxes, and branch profits Taxes, in each case, (i) imposed by the United States or as a result of such Recipient being organized under the laws of, or having its principal office or, in the case of any Lender, its applicable lending office located in, the jurisdiction (or any political subdivision thereof) imposing such Tax (or any political subdivision thereof) or (ii) that are Other Connection Taxes; (b) in the case of a Lender, U.S. Federal withholding Taxes imposed on amounts payable to or for the account of such Lender with respect to an applicable interest in a Loan or Commitment pursuant to a law in effect on the date on which (i) such Lender acquires such interest in the Loan or Commitment (other than pursuant to an assignment request by the Borrowers under Section 2.19(b)) or (ii) such Lender changes its lending office, except in each case to the extent that, pursuant to Section 2.17, amounts with respect to such Taxes were payable either to such Lender's assignor immediately before such Lender acquired the applicable interest in a Loan or Commitment or to such Lender immediately before it changed its lending office; (c) Taxes attributable to such Recipient's failure to comply with Section 2.17(f); and (d) any U.S. Federal withholding Taxes imposed under FATCA.

"FATCA" means (a) Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Code, as of the Effective Date (or any amended or successor version that is substantively comparable and not materially more onerous to comply with), (b) any current or future regulations or official interpretations thereof and any agreement entered into pursuant to Section 1471(b)(1) of the Code and (c) any intergovernmental agreement between the U.S. and a non-U.S. jurisdiction which facilitates the implementation of any law or regulation referred to in clause (a) above and any fiscal or regulatory legislation, rules or official administrative practices adopted pursuant to any such intergovernmental agreement.

"FDA" means the United States Food and Drug Administration, or any successor Governmental Authority.

"FDC Act" means the United States Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 201 et seq.) as amended to date together with any rules or regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Federal Funds Effective Rate" means, for any day, the weighted average of the rates on overnight federal funds transactions with members of the Federal Reserve System of the United States arranged by federal funds brokers, as published on the next succeeding Business Day by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, or, if such rate is not so published for any day that is a Business Day, the average (rounded upwards, if necessary, to the next 1/100th of 1%) of the quotations for the day for such transactions received by the Administrative Agent from three federal funds brokers of recognized standing selected by it.

"<u>Fee Letter</u>" means that certain Fee Letter, dated as of June 22, 2016, by and among the Borrowers and Jefferies Finance LLC, as the same may be amended, supplemented, restated or otherwise modified from time to time.

"Financial Officer" means, with respect to any Person(s), the chief financial officer, principal accounting officer, treasurer or controller of such Person(s).

"<u>Financials Certificate</u>" means a certificate of a Financial Officer of Holdings in substantially the form of Exhibit E or such other form which is approved by the Administrative Agent from time to time in its reasonable discretion.

"First Tier Foreign Subsidiary" means each Foreign Subsidiary with respect to which any one or more of the Loan Parties directly owns or Controls more than 50% of such Foreign Subsidiary's issued and outstanding Equity Interests.

"Fiscal Month" means any fiscal month in a Fiscal Year.

"Fiscal Quarter" means each of four consecutive three-Fiscal Month periods in each Fiscal Year.

"<u>Fiscal Year</u>" means the 52- or 53-week period ending in the month of December that Holdings uses for accounting and financial reporting purposes, which period does not necessarily conform to the calendar year. All references in the Loan Documents to the Fiscal Year shall be deemed to refer to the year end that Holdings actually uses for financial reporting purposes.

"Fixed Charges" means, for any period, without duplication, cash Interest Expense, <u>plus</u> scheduled principal payments on Indebtedness actually made, <u>plus</u> expense for taxes paid in cash, <u>plus</u> Restricted Payments paid in cash, <u>plus</u> Capital Lease Obligation payments, <u>plus</u> cash payments (excluding cash payments financed solely with the proceeds of issuances of equity by Holdings) made in connection with any earn-out obligation relating to any acquisition, divestiture, merger or similar transaction that are not accounted for or reflected in the consolidated statements of operations of Holdings and its Subsidiaries provided pursuant to <u>Section 5.01(a)</u> or <u>5.01(b)</u> hereof, <u>plus</u> any payments made in respect of the sinking fund requirement under the New Markets Tax Credit Financing, all calculated for Holdings and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

"<u>Food Security Act</u>" means the Food Security Act of 1985, as the same now exists or may from time to time hereafter be amended, restated, modified, recodified or supplemented, together with all rules, regulations and interpretations thereunder or related thereto.

"<u>Foreign Lender</u>" means (a) if a Borrower is a U.S. Person, a Lender, with respect to such Borrower, that is not a U.S. Person, and (b) if a Borrower is not a U.S. Person, a Lender, with respect to such Borrower, that is resident or organized under the laws of a jurisdiction other than that in which such Borrower is resident for tax purposes.

"Foreign Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary which is not a Domestic Subsidiary.

"FSHCO" means any Subsidiary that owns no material assets other than the Equity Interests of one or more "controlled foreign corporations" as defined in Section 957 of the Code.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America.

"Governmental Authority" means the government of the United States of America, any other nation or, in each case, any political subdivision thereof, whether state or local, and any agency, authority, instrumentality, regulatory body, court, central bank or other entity exercising executive, legislative, judicial, taxing, regulatory or administrative powers or functions of or pertaining to government, including any central bank, stock exchange, regulatory body, arbitrator, public sector entity, supra-national entity (including the European Union and the European Central Bank) and any self-regulatory organization (including the National Association of Insurance Commissioners).

"Governmental Permits" means all authorizations, approvals, licenses, registrations, certificates or exemptions issued by any Governmental Authority to Borrowers that are required or necessary for the development, manufacture, distribution, marketing, storage, transportation, use, or sale of the Loan Parties' products.

"Guarantee" of or by any Person (the "guarantor") means any obligation, contingent or otherwise, of the guarantor guaranteeing or having the economic effect of guaranteeing any Indebtedness or other obligation of any other Person (the "primary obligor") in any manner, whether directly or indirectly, and including any obligation of the guarantor, direct or indirect, (a) to purchase or pay (or advance or supply funds for the purchase or payment of) such Indebtedness or other obligation or to purchase (or to advance or supply funds for the purchase of) any security for the payment thereof, (b) to purchase or lease property, securities or services for the purpose of assuring the owner of such Indebtedness or other obligation of the payment thereof, (c) to maintain working capital, equity capital or any other financial statement condition or liquidity of the primary obligor so as to enable the primary obligor to pay such Indebtedness or other obligation or (d) as an account party in respect of any letter of credit or letter of guaranty issued to support such Indebtedness or obligation; provided that the term Guarantee shall not include endorsements for collection or deposit in the ordinary course of business.

"Guaranteed Obligations" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.01.

"<u>Hazardous Materials</u>" means all explosive or radioactive substances or wastes and all hazardous or toxic substances, wastes or other pollutants, including petroleum or petroleum distillates, asbestos or asbestos containing materials, polychlorinated biphenyls, radon gas, infectious or medical wastes and all other substances or wastes of any nature regulated pursuant to any Environmental Law.

"Holdings" means The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"Increasing Lender" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.22.

"Incremental Cap" means the sum of (a) an amount equal to (x) \$50,000,000 plus (y) (B) the aggregate amount of all voluntary prepayments of the Term Loans (in the case of Term Loans consisting of Incremental Term Loans (or any refinancing thereof), solely to the extent incurred in reliance on this clause (a)), to the extent not funded with the proceeds of Indebtedness for borrowed money that matures on a date less than one year after the maturity date of such Term Loans being prepaid, minus (z) the principal amount of any Indebtedness incurred in reliance on Section 6.01(n) plus (b) an unlimited amount so long as (i) the Total Leverage Ratio would not exceed 4.90:1.00 calculated on a pro forma basis (including the application of the proceeds of any Incremental Facility) as of the last day of the most recent Fiscal Quarter for which financial statements shall have been delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(a) or 5.01(b) (or, prior to the delivery of any such financial statements, as of the last Fiscal Quarter included in the financial statements referred to in Section 3.04(a)) and (ii) the Borrower Representative shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent a certificate of a Financial Officer of Holdings, setting forth reasonably detailed calculations demonstrating the satisfaction of the condition appearing in clause (i) above.

"Incremental Term Loan" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.22.

"Incremental Term Loan Amendment" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.22.

"Indebtedness" of any Person means, without duplication, (a) all obligations of such Person for borrowed money, (b) all obligations of such Person evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or similar instruments, (c) all obligations of such Person upon which interest charges are customarily paid, (d) all obligations of such Person under conditional sale or other title retention agreements relating to property acquired by such Person, (e) all obligations of such Person in respect of the deferred purchase price of property or services (excluding current accounts payable incurred in the ordinary course of business), (f) all Indebtedness of others secured by (or for which the holder of such Indebtedness has an existing right, contingent or otherwise, to be secured by) any Lien on property owned or acquired by such Person, whether or not the Indebtedness secured thereby has been assumed, (g) all Guarantees by such Person of Indebtedness of others, (h) all Capital Lease Obligations of such Person, (i) all obligations, contingent or otherwise, of such Person as an account party in respect of letters of credit and letters of guaranty, (j) all obligations, contingent or otherwise, of such Person in respect of bankers' acceptances, (k) all obligations of such Person under any liquidated earn-out and (l) any other Off-Balance Sheet Liability of such Person. The Indebtedness of any Person shall include the Indebtedness of any other Person (including any partnership in which such Person is a general partner) to the extent such Person is liable therefor as a result of such Person's ownership interest in or other relationship with such entity, except to the extent the terms of such Indebtedness provide that such Person is not liable therefor; provided that Indebtedness shall not include earn out obligations relating to Permitted Acquisitions to the extent the conditions for payment thereof (other than the occurrence of a date certain) have not yet been satisfied. Notwithstanding the foregoing and for avoidance of doubt, obligatio

"Indemnified Taxes" means (a) Taxes, other than Excluded Taxes, imposed on or with respect to any payment made by or on account of any obligation of any Loan Party under any Loan Document and (b) to the extent not otherwise described in the foregoing clause (a) hereof, Other Taxes.

"Intercreditor Agreement" means the Intercreditor Agreement, dated as of the Effective Date, by and among the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent, the ABL Agent and each of the Loan Parties party thereto, as amended, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

"Interest Election Request" means a request by the Borrower Representative to convert or continue a Borrowing in accordance with Section 2.07.

"Interest Expense" means, for any period, total interest expense (including that attributable to Capital Lease Obligations) of Holdings and its Subsidiaries for such period with respect to all outstanding Indebtedness of Holdings and its Subsidiaries (including all commissions, discounts and other fees and charges owed with respect to letters of credit and bankers' acceptances and net costs under Swap Agreements in respect of interest rates to the extent such net costs are allocable to such period in accordance with GAAP), calculated on a consolidated basis for Holdings and its Subsidiaries for such period in accordance with GAAP.

"Interest Payment Date" means (a) with respect to any ABR Loan, the first Business Day of each calendar quarter and the Maturity Date and (b) with respect to any Eurodollar Loan, the last day of the Interest Period applicable to the Borrowing of which such Loan is a part (and, in the case of a Eurodollar Borrowing with an Interest Period of more than three months' duration, each day prior to the last day of such Interest Period that occurs at intervals of three months' duration after the first day of such Interest Period) and the Maturity Date.

"Interest Period" means, with respect to any Eurodollar Borrowing, the period commencing on the date of such Eurodollar Borrowing (including by continuation or conversion) and ending on the numerically corresponding day in the calendar month that is one, three or six months thereafter, or, to the extent consented to by each applicable Lender, twelve (12) months thereafter, in each case, as the Borrower Representative may elect; provided that (i) if any Interest Period would end on a day other than a Business Day, such Interest Period shall be extended to the next succeeding Business Day unless such next succeeding Business Day would fall in the next calendar month, in which case such Interest Period shall end on the next preceding Business Day and (ii) any Interest Period pertaining to a Eurodollar Borrowing that commences on the last Business Day of a calendar month (or on a day for which there is no numerically corresponding day in the last calendar month of such Interest Period) shall end on the last Business Day of the last calendar month of such Interest Period. For purposes hereof, the date of a Borrowing initially shall be the date on which such Borrowing is made and thereafter shall be the effective date of the most recent conversion or continuation of such Borrowing.

"Inventory" has the meaning assigned to such term in the Security Agreement.

"IRS" means the United States Internal Revenue Service.

"Joinder Agreement" means a Joinder Agreement in substantially the form of Exhibit F.

"Lenders" means the Persons listed on Schedules 2.01(a) and (b) and any other Person that shall have become a Lender hereunder pursuant to Section 2.22 or pursuant to an Assignment and Assumption, other than any such Person that ceases to be a party hereto pursuant to an Assignment and Assumption.

"LIBOR Rate" means, with respect to any Eurodollar Borrowing for any applicable Interest Period therefor, the rate per annum equal to the arithmetic mean (rounded to the nearest 1/100th of 1%) of the offered rates for deposits in Dollars with a term comparable to such Interest Period that appears on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 (or such other page as may replace such page on such service for the purpose of displaying the rates at which Dollar deposits are offered by leading banks in the London interbank deposit market as designated by the Administrative Agent from time to time) at approximately 11:00 a.m., London, England time, on the second full Business Day preceding the first day of such Interest Period; provided, however, that (i) if no comparable term for an Interest Period is available, the LIBOR Rate shall be determined using the weighted average of the offered rates for the two terms most nearly corresponding to such Interest Period and

(ii) if Reuters Screen LIBOR01 shall at any time no longer exist, "LIBOR Rate" shall mean, with respect to each day during each Interest Period pertaining to Eurodollar Borrowings comprising part of the same Borrowing, the rate per annum equal to the rate at which the Administrative Agent is offered deposits in Dollars at approximately 11:00 a.m., London, England time, two Business Days prior to the first day of such Interest Period in the London interbank market for delivery on the first day of such Interest Period for the number of days comprised therein and in an amount comparable to its portion of the amount of such Eurodollar Borrowing to be outstanding during such Interest Period. "Reuters Screen LIBOR01" shall mean the display designated on the Reuters 3000 Xtra Page (or such other page as may replace such page on such service for the purpose of displaying the rates at which Dollar deposits are offered by leading banks in the London interbank deposit market).

"<u>Lien</u>" means, with respect to any asset, (a) any mortgage, deed of trust or similar instrument, lien, pledge, hypothecation, encumbrance, charge or security interest in, on or of such asset, (b) the interest of a vendor or a lessor under any conditional sale agreement, capital lease or title retention agreement (or any financing lease having substantially the same economic effect as any of the foregoing) relating to such asset and (c) in the case of securities, any purchase option, call or similar right of a third party with respect to such securities.

"<u>Limited Condition Acquisition</u>" means any purchase or other acquisition, by merger, amalgamation, consolidation or otherwise, by the Borrowers or any Subsidiary thereof of Equity Interests in, or all or substantially all the assets of (or all or substantially all the assets constituting a business unit, division, product line or line of business of), any Person the consummation of which is not conditioned on the availability of, or on obtaining, third party financing.

"<u>Loan Documents</u>" means this Agreement, any promissory notes issued pursuant to this Agreement, the Collateral Documents, the Loan Guaranty, the Intercreditor Agreement, the Fee Letter and the Engagement Letter. Any reference in this Agreement or any other Loan Document to a Loan Document shall include all appendices, exhibits or schedules thereto, and all amendments, restatements, supplements or other modifications thereto, and shall refer to this Agreement or such Loan Document as the same may be in effect at any and all times such reference becomes operative.

"Loan Guarantor" means each Loan Party.

"<u>Loan Guaranty</u>" means <u>Article X</u> of this Agreement and each separate Guarantee, in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, as it may be amended or modified and in effect from time to time.

"Loan Parties" means Holdings, the Borrowers and the Borrowers' Domestic Subsidiaries (other than the Excluded Subsidiary) who become a party to this Agreement pursuant to a Joinder Agreement or otherwise and their successors and assigns.

"Loans" means the loans and advances made by the Lenders pursuant to this Agreement, including Term Loans and Delayed Draw Term Loans.

"Material Adverse Effect" means a material adverse effect on (a) the business, assets, operations, properties or condition (financial or otherwise) of the Loan Parties taken as a whole, (b) the ability of any Loan Party to perform any of its obligations under the Loan Documents to which it is a party, (c) the Collateral, or the Collateral Agent's Liens (on behalf of itself and the other Secured Parties) on the Collateral or the priority of such Liens, in each case, as to Collateral having an aggregate value in excess of \$5,000,000, or (d) the rights of or benefits available to any Agent or the Lenders under any of the Loan Documents (other than with respect to Collateral having an aggregate value of \$5,000,000 or less).

"Material Indebtedness" means (i) Indebtedness (other than the Loans) or (ii) obligations in respect of one or more Swap Agreements, in each case of any one or more of Holdings and its Subsidiaries in an aggregate principal amount exceeding \$10,000,000. For purposes of determining Material Indebtedness, the "principal amount" of obligations of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary in respect of any Swap Agreement at any time shall be the maximum aggregate amount (giving effect to any netting agreements) that such Loan Party or such Subsidiary would be required to pay if such Swap Agreement were terminated at such time.

"Maturity Date" means June 22, 2022.

"Maximum Liability" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.10.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

"Mortgage Instruments" means such title reports, ALTA title insurance policies (with endorsements), evidence of zoning compliance, property insurance, flood certifications and flood insurance (and, if applicable FEMA form acknowledgements of insurance), opinions of counsel, ALTA surveys, appraisals, environmental assessments and reports, Phase I and Phase II studies, mortgage tax affidavits and declarations and other similar information and related certifications as are requested by, and in form and substance reasonably acceptable to, the Agents from time to time.

"Mortgages" means any mortgage, deed of trust or other agreement which conveys or grants (or purports to convey or grant) a Lien in favor of the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Collateral Agent and the other Secured Parties, on real property of a Loan Party, including any amendment, modification or supplement thereto.

"Multiemployer Plan" means a multiemployer plan as defined in Section 4001(a)(3) of ERISA.

"Net Income" means, for any period, the consolidated net income (or loss) of Holdings and its Subsidiaries, determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP; provided that there shall be excluded (a) (except as set forth in Sections 1.04(b)) the income (or deficit) of any Person accrued prior to the date it becomes a Subsidiary or is merged into or consolidated with Holdings or any of its Subsidiaries, (b) the income (or deficit) of any Person (other than a Subsidiary) in which Holdings or any of its Subsidiaries has an ownership interest, except to the extent that any such income is actually received by Holdings or such Subsidiary in the form of dividends or similar distributions and (c) the undistributed earnings of any Subsidiary to the extent that the declaration or payment of dividends or similar distributions by such Subsidiary is not at the time permitted by the terms of any contractual obligation (other than under any Loan Document) or Requirement of Law applicable to such Subsidiary.

"Net Proceeds" means, with respect to any event, (a) the cash proceeds received in respect of such event including (i) any cash received in respect of any non-cash proceeds (including any cash payments received by way of deferred payment of principal pursuant to a note or installment receivable or purchase price adjustment receivable or otherwise, but excluding any interest payments), but only as and when received, (ii) in the case of a casualty, insurance proceeds and (iii) in the case of a condemnation or similar event, condemnation awards and similar payments, net of (b) the sum of (i) all reasonable fees and out-of-pocket expenses paid to third parties (other than Loan Parties and their Affiliates) in connection with such event,

(ii) in the case of a sale, transfer or other disposition of an asset (including pursuant to a sale and leaseback transaction or a casualty or a condemnation or similar proceeding), the amount of all payments required to be made as a result of such event to repay Indebtedness (other than Loans) secured by such asset or otherwise subject to mandatory prepayment as a result of such event and (iii) the amount of all taxes paid (or reasonably estimated to be payable) and the amount of any reserves established to fund contingent liabilities reasonably estimated to be payable, in each case during the year that such event occurred or the next succeeding year and that are directly attributable to such event (as determined reasonably and in good faith by a Financial Officer of Borrower Representative).

"New Markets Tax Credit Financing" means a secured credit facility provided by Commercial Lending II LLC, as a lender, to Dairyland HP, as borrower, entered into as of April 26, 2012, in an aggregate principal amount of \$11,000,000, pursuant to the New Markets Tax Credit Program established as part of the Community Renewal Tax Relief Act of 2000.

"Non-Consenting Lender" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.02(e).

"Non-Paying Guarantor" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.11.

"Non-Public Information" means information which has not been disseminated in a manner making it available to investors generally, within the meaning of Regulation FD promulgated by the SEC under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act.

"Obligated Party" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.02.

"Obligations" means, collectively, all unpaid principal of and all accrued and unpaid interest on the Loans, all accrued and unpaid fees and all expenses, reimbursements, indemnities and other obligations and indebtedness (including interest and fees accruing during the pendency of any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or other similar proceeding, regardless of whether allowed or allowable in such proceeding), obligations and liabilities of any of the Loan Parties to any of the Lenders, the Agents or any indemnified party, individually or collectively, direct or indirect, joint or several, absolute or contingent, matured or unmatured, liquidated or unliquidated, secured or unsecured, arising by contract, operation of law or otherwise, arising or incurred under this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents or in respect of any of the Loans made or reimbursement or other obligations incurred or any of the instruments at any time evidencing any thereof.

"Off-Balance Sheet Liability" of a Person means (a) any repurchase obligation or liability of such Person with respect to accounts or notes receivable sold by such Person, (b) any indebtedness, liability or obligation under any so-called "synthetic lease" transaction entered into by such Person, or (c) any indebtedness, liability or obligation arising with respect to any other transaction which is the functional equivalent of or takes the place of borrowing but which does not constitute a liability on the balance sheets of such Person (other than operating leases).

"Original ABL Agent" means JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., in its capacity as administrative agent under the Original ABL Facility.

"Original ABL Facility" means that certain asset-based revolving credit facility of certain Loan Parties entered into with the ABL Agent and the lenders party thereto on the Effective Date with aggregate commitments in respect thereof not exceeding \$75,000,000 on such date (as such commitments may be increased in accordance with the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement), the proceeds of which shall be used by the borrowers thereunder for working capital purposes.

"Other Connection Taxes" means, with respect to any Recipient, Taxes imposed as a result of a present or former connection between such Recipient and the jurisdiction imposing such Taxes (other than a connection arising from such Recipient having executed, delivered, become a party to, performed its obligations under, received payments under, received or perfected a security interest under, engaged in any other transaction pursuant to, or enforced, any Loan Document, or sold or assigned an interest in any Loan Document).

"Other Taxes" means all present or future stamp, court or documentary, intangible, recording, filing or similar Taxes that arise from any payment made under, from the execution, delivery, performance, enforcement or registration of, from the receipt or perfection of a security interest under, or otherwise with respect to, any Loan Document, except any such Taxes that are Other Connection Taxes imposed with respect to an assignment (other than an assignment made pursuant to Section 2.19).

"PACA" means the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, 1930, as amended, 7 U.S.C. Section 499a et seq., as the same now exists or may from time to time hereafter be amended, restated, modified, recodified or supplemented, together with all rules, regulations and interpretations thereunder or related thereto.

"Parent" means, with respect to any Lender, the Person as to which such Lender is, directly or indirectly, a subsidiary.

"Participant" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.04(c).

"Participant Register" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.04(c).

"Paying Guarantor" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.11.

"PBGC" means the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation referred to and defined in ERISA and any successor entity performing similar functions.

"Permitted Acquisition" means, any acquisition (whether by purchase, merger, consolidation or otherwise) or series of related acquisitions by any Loan Party (other than Holdings) of (i) all or substantially all the assets of or (ii) all or substantially all the Equity Interests in, a Person or division or line of business of a Person, if, at the time of and immediately after giving effect thereto: (1) subject to Section 1.04(c), no Event of Default under clauses (a), (b), (b), (i) or (j) has occurred and is continuing or would arise after giving effect thereto, (2) such Person or division or line of business is engaged in the same or a similar line of business as the Borrowers and the Subsidiaries or business reasonably related, complementary or ancillary thereto or a logical extension thereof (including, without limitation, food and beverage service, distribution, wholesale and retail), (3) all actions required to be taken with respect to such acquired or newly formed Subsidiary under Section 5.13 shall have been taken within the time periods set out therein, (4) (x) the Total Leverage Ratio would not exceed 4.90:1.00 calculated on a pro forma basis (as if such acquisition (and any related incurrence or repayment of Indebtedness, with any new Indebtedness being deemed to be amortized over the applicable testing period in accordance with its terms) had occurred on the first day of the relevant period) as of the last day of the most recent Fiscal Quarter for which financial statements shall have been delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(a) or 5.01(b) (or, prior to the delivery of any such financial statements, as of the last Fiscal Quarter included in the financial statements referred to in Section 3.04(a)) and (y) with respect to any Permitted Acquisition for which the Acquisition Consideration (defined below) is at least \$25,000,000, the Borrower Representative shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent a certificate of a Financial Officer of Holdings, setting forth reasonably detailed calculations demonst

(6) the total consideration paid or payable (including all transaction costs, Indebtedness incurred, assumed and/or reflected on a consolidated balance sheet of the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries after giving effect to such acquisition and the maximum amount of all deferred payments, including earnouts) (such amounts, collectively, the "Acquisition Consideration") for all acquisitions consummated during the term of this Agreement where either (x) the target becomes a Subsidiary but not a Loan Party hereunder or (y) the acquired assets do not become Collateral shall not exceed \$10,000,000 in the aggregate for all such acquisitions (in each case, after giving effect to any time periods contained in Section 5.13).

"Permitted Call Spread Swap Agreements" means (a) any Swap Agreement (including, but not limited to, any bond hedge transaction or capped call transaction) pursuant to which Holdings acquires an option requiring the counterparty thereto to deliver to Holdings shares of common stock of Holdings, the cash value of such shares or a combination thereof from time to time upon exercise of such option and (b) any Swap Agreement pursuant to which Holdings issues to the counterparty thereto warrants to acquire common stock of Holdings (whether such warrant is settled in shares, cash or a combination thereof), in each case entered into by Holdings in connection with the issuance of Permitted Convertible Notes (other than Permitted Convertible Seller Notes); provided that (i) the terms, conditions and covenants of each such Swap Agreement shall be such as are customary for Swap Agreements of such type (as determined by the Board of Directors of Holdings in good faith) and (ii) in the case of clause (b) above, such Swap Agreement would be classified as an equity instrument in accordance with GAAP, and the settlement of such Swap Agreement does not require Holdings to make any payment in cash or cash equivalents that would disqualify such Swap Agreement from so being classified as an equity instrument.

"Permitted Convertible Notes" means, collectively, (a) Permitted Convertible Seller Notes and (b) any other unsecured notes issued by Holdings that are convertible into common stock of Holdings, cash or any combination thereof; provided that, for purposes of clause (b) of this definition, the Indebtedness thereunder satisfies the following requirements: (i) both immediately prior to and after giving effect (including pro forma effect) to the incurrence of such Indebtedness, no Default or Event of Default shall exist or result therefrom, (ii) such Indebtedness matures after, and does not require any scheduled amortization or other scheduled payments of principal prior to, the date that is six (6) months after the Maturity Date (it being understood that neither (x) any provision requiring an offer to purchase such Indebtedness as a result of change of control or asset sale or other fundamental change nor (y) any early conversion of any Permitted Convertible Notes in accordance with the terms thereof shall violate the foregoing restriction), (iii) such Indebtedness is not guaranteed by any Subsidiary of Holdings other than the Loan Guarantors (which guarantees, if such Indebtedness is subordinated, shall be expressly subordinated to the Secured Obligations on terms not less favorable to the Lenders than the subordination terms of such Subordinated Indebtedness) and (iv) the covenants applicable to such Indebtedness are not more onerous or more restrictive in any material respect (taken as a whole) than the applicable covenants set forth in this Agreement.

"<u>Permitted Convertible Seller Notes</u>" means, collectively, those certain Convertible Subordinated Non-Negotiable Promissory Notes, dated as of April 6, 2015, issued by Del Monte Capitol Meat Company, LLC (a subsidiary of Holdings) to each of (i) TJ Seafood, LLC evidencing Subordinated Indebtedness in the aggregate principal amount of \$7,350,000 and (ii) T.J. Foodservice Co., Inc. evidencing Subordinated Indebtedness in an aggregate principal amount of \$29,400,000 and in each case, that are convertible solely into common stock of Holdings.

"Permitted Encumbrances" means:

(a) Liens imposed by law for Taxes that are not yet delinquent or are being contested in compliance with Section 5.04;

- (b) carriers', warehousemen's, mechanics', materialmen's, repairmen's and other like Liens imposed by law arising in the ordinary course of business and securing obligations that are not overdue by more than thirty (30) days or are being contested in compliance with <u>Section 5.04</u>;
- (c) pledges and deposits made in the ordinary course of business in compliance with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and other social security laws or regulations;
- (d) deposits to secure the performance of bids, trade contracts, leases, statutory obligations, surety and appeal bonds, performance bonds and other obligations of a like nature, in each case in the ordinary course of business;
 - (e) judgment liens in respect of judgments that do not constitute an Event of Default under <u>clause (k)</u> of <u>Article VII</u>;
- (f) easements, zoning restrictions, rights-of-way and similar encumbrances on real property imposed by law or arising in the ordinary course of business of the Borrowers that do not secure any monetary obligations and do not materially detract from the value of the affected property or interfere with the ordinary conduct of business of any if Holdings or the Subsidiaries; and
- (g) Liens arising in the ordinary course of business in favor of, or claims or rights of any producer, grower or seller under PACA, the Food Security Act, PSA or other similar law, treaty, rule or regulation.

"Permitted Holdings Dividends" means dividends paid by a Loan Party to Holdings:

- (i) to the extent actually used substantially concurrently by Holdings to pay the same, in amounts necessary to pay (x) such franchise taxes and other fees required to maintain the legal existence of Holdings and (y) out-of-pocket legal, accounting and filing costs and other expenses in the nature of overhead in the ordinary course of business of Holdings; provided, that the aggregate amount of dividends paid under this <u>clause (i)</u> shall not to exceed \$2,500,000 in any period of twelve consecutive months;
- (ii) in amounts necessary to enable (x) Holdings to repurchase or redeem its Equity Interest or (y) Holdings or the holders of Holdings' Equity Interests to pay withholding taxes due as a result of its ownership of Holdings or any other Loan Party; provided, that (x) the aggregate amount of such dividends shall not exceed \$2,500,000 in any period of twelve consecutive months and (y) such dividend shall be actually used for a purpose set forth above substantially concurrently with the making of such dividend; and
- (iii) to the extent necessary to permit, and actually used substantially concurrently by, Holdings to discharge the consolidated Tax liabilities of the Loan Parties or Taxes attributable to the distributions used to pay such consolidated Tax liabilities.

"Permitted Investments" means:

(a) direct obligations of, or obligations the principal of and interest on which are unconditionally guaranteed by, the United States of America (or by any agency thereof to the extent such obligations are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America), in each case maturing within one year from the date of acquisition thereof;

- (b) investments in commercial paper maturing within 270 days from the date of acquisition thereof and having, at such date of acquisition, the highest credit rating obtainable from S&P or from Moody's;
- (c) investments in certificates of deposit, banker's acceptances and time deposits maturing within 180 days from the date of acquisition thereof issued or guaranteed by or placed with, and money market deposit accounts issued or offered by, any domestic office of any commercial bank organized under the laws of the United States of America or any State thereof which has a combined capital and surplus and undivided profits of not less than \$500.000.000:
- (d) fully collateralized repurchase agreements with a term of not more than thirty (30) days for securities described in <u>clause (a)</u> above and entered into with a financial institution satisfying the criteria described in <u>clause (c)</u> above; and
- (e) money market funds that (i) comply with the criteria set forth in SEC Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, (ii) are rated AAA by S&P and Aaa by Moody's and (iii) have portfolio assets of at least \$5,000,000,000.
- "Person" means any natural person, corporation, limited liability company, trust, joint venture, association, company, partnership, Governmental Authority or other entity.

"<u>Plan</u>" means any employee pension benefit plan (other than a Multiemployer Plan) subject to the provisions of Title IV of ERISA or Section 412 of the Code or Section 302 of ERISA, and in respect of which any Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate is (or, if such plan were terminated, would under Section 4069 of ERISA be deemed to be) an "employer" as defined in Section 3(5) of ERISA.

"Platform" means Debt Domain, IntraLinks, SyndTrak or a substantially similar electronic transmission system.

"Pledge Subsidiary" means (i) each Domestic Subsidiary (other than the Excluded Subsidiary) and (ii) each First Tier Foreign Subsidiary.

"Prepayment Event" means:

- (a) any sale, transfer or other disposition (including pursuant to a sale and leaseback transaction) of any property or asset of any Loan Party (other than dispositions described in Section 6.05(i)); or
- (b) any casualty or other insured damage to, or any taking under power of eminent domain or by condemnation or similar proceeding of, any property or asset of any Loan Party; or
- (c) the incurrence by any Loan Party of any Indebtedness, other than Indebtedness permitted under <u>Section 6.01</u>, but in any event including any Indebtedness under Permitted Convertible Notes issued pursuant to <u>Section 6.01(m)</u>.

"Prime Rate" means, for any day, the "U.S. Prime Lending Rate" as published in *The Wall Street Journal* for such date; *provided* that if *The Wall Street Journal* ceases to publish for any reason such rate of interest, "Prime Rate" shall mean the prime lending rate as set forth on the Bloomberg page PRIMBB Index (or successor page) for such day (or such other service as determined by the Administrative Agent from time to time for purposes of providing quotations of prime lending interest rates); each change in the Prime Rate shall be effective on the date such change is effective. The prime rate is not necessarily the lowest rate charged by any financial institution to its customers.

- "Projections" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.01(e).
- "<u>PSA</u>" means the Packers and Stockyard Act of 1921, 7 U.S.C. 181, as the same now exists or may from time to time hereafter be amended, restated, modified, recodified or supplemented, together with all rules, regulations and interpretations thereunder or related thereto.
- "Public Lender" means any Lender that does not wish to receive Non-Public Information with respect to Holdings or its Subsidiaries or their respective securities.
 - "Recipient" means, as applicable, (a) the Administrative Agent and (b) any Lender.
 - "Register" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 9.04.
 - "Reinvestment Period" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.11(c).
- "Related Parties" means, with respect to any specified Person, such Person's Affiliates and the respective directors, officers, employees, agents and advisors of such Person and such Person's Affiliates.
- "Required DDTL Lenders" means, at any time, Lenders then holding more than fifty percent (50%) of the sum of the aggregate DDTL Commitments then in effect, if any, plus the aggregate unpaid principal amount of the Delayed Draw Term Loans then outstanding.
- "Required Lenders" means, at any time, (a) Lenders then holding more than fifty percent (50%) of the sum of the aggregate DDTL Commitments then in effect, if any, plus the aggregate unpaid principal amount of the Loans then outstanding, or (b) if the DDTL Commitments have terminated, Lenders then holding more than fifty percent (50%) of the aggregate unpaid principal amount of the Loans then outstanding.
- "Requirement of Law" means, with respect to any Person, (a) the charter, articles or certificate of organization or incorporation and bylaws or other organizational or governing documents of such Person and (b) any statute, law (including common law), treaty, rule, regulation, code, ordinance, order, decree, writ, judgment, injunction or determination of any arbitrator or court or other Governmental Authority (including Environmental Laws), in each case applicable to or binding upon such Person or any of its property or to which such Person or any of its property is subject.
- "Restricted Payment" means any dividend or other distribution (whether in cash, securities or other property) with respect to any Equity Interests in Holdings or any of its Subsidiaries to their Equity Interest holders in such capacity, or any payment (whether in cash, securities or other property), including any sinking fund or similar deposit, on account of the purchase, redemption, retirement, acquisition, cancellation or termination of any such Equity Interests in Holdings or its Subsidiaries or any option, warrant or other right to acquire any such Equity Interests in Holdings or its Subsidiaries, or any payment of management or similar fees to any Person. Notwithstanding the foregoing, and for the avoidance of doubt, (i) the conversion of (including any cash payment upon conversion), or payment of any principal or premium on, or payment of any interest with respect to, any Permitted Convertible Notes shall not constitute a Restricted Payment and (ii) any payment with respect to, or early unwind or settlement of, any Permitted Call Spread Swap Agreement shall not constitute a Restricted Payment.

"Retained Excess Cash Flow" means, with respect to any Fiscal Year of Holdings, (a) the Excess Cash Flow for such Fiscal Year minus (b) the aggregate prepayment amount payable by the Borrowers pursuant to Section 2.11(d) for such Fiscal Year.

"S&P" means S&P Global Ratings, a Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC business, or any successor thereto.

"Sale and Leaseback Transaction" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.06.

"SEC" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Secured Obligations" means the Obligations.

"Secured Parties" means the holders of the Secured Obligations from time to time and shall include (i) each Lender in respect of its Loans, (ii) the Agents and the Lenders in respect of all other present and future obligations and liabilities of the Borrowers and each Subsidiary of every type and description arising under or in connection with this Agreement or any other Loan Document, (iii) each indemnified party under Section 9.03 in respect of the obligations and liabilities of the Borrowers to such Person hereunder and under the other Loan Documents, and (iv) their respective successors and (in the case of a Lender, permitted) transferees and assigns.

"Security Agreement" means that certain Pledge and Security Agreement (including any and all supplements thereto), dated as of the Effective Date, between the Loan Parties and the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, and any other pledge or security agreement entered into, after the Effective Date by any other Loan Party (as required by this Agreement or any other Loan Document) or any other Person and the Collateral Agent, as the same may be amended, supplemented, restated or otherwise modified from time to time.

"Senior Secured Leverage Ratio" means, on any date, the ratio of (a) Total Net Indebtedness (other than Subordinated Indebtedness) that is secured by a Lien on any assets of Holdings or its Subsidiaries on such date to (b) EBITDA for the period of four (4) consecutive Fiscal Quarters ended on such date (or, if such date is not the last day of a Fiscal Quarter, ended on the last day of the Fiscal Quarter most recently ended prior to such date).

"Specified Earn-Out Payment" means any payment made by a Loan Party or any Subsidiary in respect of earn-out obligations arising pursuant to that certain Additional Earn-Out Agreement, dated as of April 6, 2015, by and among, *inter alia*, Holdings, T.J. Foodservice Co., Inc., TJ Seafood, LLC, and John DeBenedetti, as the Sellers' Representative (as defined therein).

"Statutory Reserve Rate" means, for any Interest Period for any Eurodollar Borrowing, the average maximum rate at which reserves (including any marginal, supplemental or emergency reserves) are required to be maintained during such Interest Period under Regulation D by member banks of the United States Federal Reserve System in New York City with deposits exceeding one billion Dollars against "Eurocurrency liabilities" (as such term is used in Regulation D). Eurodollar Borrowings shall be deemed to constitute Eurodollar liabilities and to be subject to such reserve requirements without benefit of or credit for proration, exceptions or offsets which may be available from time to time to any Lender under Regulation D.

"Subordinated Indebtedness" of a Person means any Indebtedness of such Person (including seller notes) which is subordinated to the Secured Obligations on terms reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

"subsidiary" means, with respect to any Person (the "parent") at any date, any corporation, limited liability company, partnership, association or other entity the accounts of which would be consolidated with those of the parent in the parent's consolidated financial statements if such financial statements were prepared in accordance with GAAP as of such date, as well as any other corporation, limited liability company, partnership, association or other entity (a) of which securities or other ownership interests representing more than 50% of the equity or more than 50% of the ordinary voting power or, in the case of a partnership, more than 50% of the general partnership interests are, as of such date, owned, controlled or held, or (b) that is, as of such date, otherwise Controlled by the parent or one or more subsidiaries of the parent or by the parent and one or more subsidiaries of the parent.

"Subsidiary" means any direct or indirect subsidiary of Holdings.

"Swap Agreement" means any agreement with respect to any swap, forward, spot, future, credit default or derivative transaction or option or similar agreement involving, or settled by reference to, one or more rates, currencies, commodities, equity or debt instruments or securities, or economic, financial or pricing indices or measures of economic, financial or pricing risk or value or any similar transaction or any combination of these transactions; provided that no phantom stock or similar plan providing for payments only on account of services provided by current or former directors, officers, employees or consultants of the Borrowers or the Subsidiaries shall be a Swap Agreement.

"Taxes" means any and all present or future taxes, levies, imposts, duties, deductions, withholdings, (including backup withholding), value added taxes, or any other goods and services, use or sales taxes, assessments, fees or other charges imposed by any Governmental Authority, including any interest, additions to tax or penalties applicable thereto.

"Term Lenders" means, as of any date of determination, Lenders holding any Term Loans.

"Term Loan Commitment" means (a) as to any Term Lender, the aggregate commitment of such Term Lender to make Term Loans on the Effective Date as set forth on Schedule 2.01(a) or in the most recent Assignment and Assumption or other documentation contemplated hereby executed by such Term Lender and (b) as to all Term Lenders, the aggregate commitment of all Term Lenders to make Term Loans on the Effective Date, which aggregate commitment shall be \$305,000,000 on the date of this Agreement. After advancing the Term Loan, each reference to a Term Lender's Term Loan Commitment shall refer to that Term Lender's Applicable Percentage of the Term Loans.

"Term Loans" means the term loans made by the Term Lenders to the Borrowers on the Effective Date pursuant to Section 2.01(a), the Delayed Draw Term Loans and the Incremental Term Loans.

"Total Net Indebtedness" means, at any date, the aggregate principal amount of all Indebtedness of Holdings and its Subsidiaries at such date, determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP, but (x) excluding (i) the face amount of any issued and undrawn letters of credit and (ii) obligations under any Guarantee by Holdings' Subsidiaries of the mortgage dated as of April 26, 2012 between Dairyland HP, as mortgagor, and Commercial Lending II LLC, as mortgagee with respect to the Dairyland HP Facility and (y) net of unrestricted (other than Liens granted under the ABL Loan Documents) cash and cash equivalents of the Loan Parties of up to \$25,000,000. For purposes of determining Total Net Indebtedness, the Indebtedness of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary in respect of any Swap Agreement on any date of determination shall be the maximum aggregate amount (giving effect to any netting agreements) that such Loan Party or such Subsidiary would be required to pay if such Swap Agreement were terminated at such time.

"Total Leverage Ratio" means, on any date, the ratio of (a) Total Net Indebtedness on such date to (b) EBITDA for the period of four (4) consecutive Fiscal Quarters ended on such date (or, if such date is not the last day of a Fiscal Quarter, ended on the last day of the Fiscal Quarter most recently ended prior to such date).

"<u>Transactions</u>" means the execution, delivery and performance by the Loan Parties of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, the borrowing of Loans and other credit extensions (including the borrowing of ABL Loans and the issuance of letters of credit under the ABL Facility on the Effective Date), the use of the proceeds thereof and the repayment of the Indebtedness required hereunder.

"<u>Type</u>", when used in reference to any Loan or Borrowing, refers to whether the rate of interest on such Loan, or on the Loans comprising such Borrowing, is determined by reference to the Adjusted LIBOR Rate or the Alternate Base Rate.

"UCC" means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect from time to time in the State of New York or any other state the laws of which are required to be applied in connection with the attachment, perfection or priority of, or remedies with respect to, any Agent's or any Lender's Lien on any Collateral.

"<u>Unliquidated Obligations</u>" means, at any time, any Secured Obligations (or portion thereof) that are contingent in nature or unliquidated, including any Secured Obligation that is: (i) any other obligation (including any guarantee) that is contingent in nature; (ii) an indemnity or (iii) an obligation to provide collateral to secure any of the foregoing types of obligations.

"U.S." means the United States of America.

"U.S. Person" means a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code.

"U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.17(f)(ii)(B)(3).

"<u>Withdrawal Liability</u>" means liability to a Multiemployer Plan as a result of a complete or partial withdrawal from such Multiemployer Plan, as such terms are defined in Part I of Subtitle E of Title IV of ERISA.

"Withholding Agent" means each of the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent.

"<u>Working Capital</u>" means, at any date, the excess of current assets of Holdings and its Subsidiaries on such date (excluding cash and Permitted Investments) <u>over</u> current liabilities of Holdings and its Subsidiaries on such date (excluding any ABL Loans and the current portion of any Indebtedness), all determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

"Write-Down and Conversion Powers" means, with respect to any EEA Resolution Authority, the write-down and conversion powers of such EEA Resolution Authority from time to time under the Bail-In Legislation for the applicable EEA Member Country, which write-down and conversion powers are described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule.

SECTION 1.02. <u>Classification of Loans and Borrowings</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, Loans and Borrowings may be classified and referred to by Type (e.g., a "Eurodollar Loan" or "Eurodollar Borrowing").

SECTION 1.03. Terms Generally. The definitions of terms herein shall apply equally to the singular and plural forms of the terms defined. Whenever the context may require, any pronoun shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine and neuter forms. The words "include", "includes" and "including" shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase "without limitation". The word "will" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect as the word "shall". Unless expressly provided to the contrary or the context requires otherwise (a) any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument or other document herein shall be construed as referring to such agreement, instrument or other document as from time to time amended, supplemented or otherwise modified (subject to any restrictions on such amendments, supplements or modifications set forth herein), (b) any reference herein to any Person shall be construed to include such Person's successors and assigns, (c) the words "herein", "hereof" and "hereunder", and words of similar import, shall be construed to refer to this Agreement in its entirety and not to any particular provision hereof, (d) all references herein to Articles, Sections, Exhibits and Schedules shall be construed to refer to Articles and Sections of, and Exhibits and Schedules to, this Agreement, (e) any reference in any definition to the phrase "at any time" or "for any period" shall refer to the same time or period for all calculations or determinations within such definition, and (f) the words "asset" and "property" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect and to refer to any and all tangible and intangible assets and properties, including cash, securities, accounts and contract rights.

SECTION 1.04. Accounting Terms; GAAP; Pro Forma Calculations; LCA Election. (a) Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, all terms of an accounting or financial nature shall be construed in accordance with GAAP, as in effect from time to time; provided that, if after the Effective Date there occurs any change in GAAP or in the application thereof on the operation of any provision hereof and the Borrower Representative notifies the Administrative Agent that the Borrowers request an amendment to any provision hereof to eliminate the effect of such change in GAAP or in the application thereof (or if the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower Representative that the Required Lenders request an amendment to any provision hereof for such purpose), regardless of whether any such notice is given before or after such change in GAAP or in the application thereof, then such provision shall be interpreted on the basis of GAAP as in effect and applied immediately before such change shall have become effective until such notice shall have been withdrawn or such provision amended in accordance herewith. Notwithstanding any other provision contained herein, (i) all terms of an accounting or financial nature used herein shall be construed, and all computations of amounts and ratios referred to herein shall be made (x) without giving effect to any election under Accounting Standards Codification 825-10-25 (or any other Accounting Standards Codification or Financial Accounting Standard having a similar result or effect) to value any Indebtedness or other liabilities of Holdings or any Subsidiary at "fair value", as defined therein and (y) without giving effect to any treatment of Indebtedness in respect of convertible debt instruments under Accounting Standards Codification 470-20 (or any other Accounting Standards Codification or Financial Accounting Standard having a similar result or effect) to value any such Indebtedness in a reduced or bifurcated manner as described therein, and such Indebtedness shall at all times be valued at the full stated principal amount thereof and (ii) any obligations relating to a lease that was accounted for by such Person as an operating lease as of the Effective Date and any similar lease entered into after the Effective Date by such Person (or any Subsidiary or Affiliate of such Person) shall be accounted for by such Person as an operating lease and not as Capital Lease Obligations.

(b) All pro forma computations required to be made hereunder giving effect to any acquisition or disposition, or issuance, incurrence or assumption of Indebtedness, or other transaction shall in each case be calculated giving pro forma effect thereto (and, in the case of any pro forma computation made hereunder to determine whether such acquisition or disposition, or issuance, incurrence or assumption of Indebtedness, or other transaction is permitted to be consummated hereunder, to any other such transaction consummated since the first day of the period covered by any component of such pro forma computation and on or prior to the date of such computation) as if such transaction had occurred on the first day of the period of four consecutive Fiscal Quarters ending with the most recent Fiscal Quarter for which financial statements shall have been delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(a) or 5.01(b) (or, prior to the delivery of any such financial statements, ending with the last Fiscal Quarter included in the financial statements referred to in Section 3.04(a)), and, to the extent applicable, to the historical earnings and cash flows associated with the assets acquired or disposed of) and any related incurrence or reduction of Indebtedness, all in accordance with Article 11 of Regulation S-X under the Securities Act. If any Indebtedness bears a floating rate of interest and is being given pro forma effect, the interest on such Indebtedness shall be calculated as if the rate in effect on the date of determination had been the applicable rate for the entire period (taking into account any Swap Agreement applicable to such Indebtedness).

- (c) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or any Loan Document to the contrary, in connection with any action being taken solely in connection with a Limited Condition Acquisition, for purposes of:
 - (i) determining compliance with any provision of this Agreement which requires the calculation of Total Leverage Ratio or the Senior Secured Leverage Ratio;
 - (ii) determining compliance with representations, warranties, defaults or Events of Default upon consummation of such Limited Condition Acquisition; and
 - (iii) testing availability under baskets set forth in this Agreement;

in each case, at the option of the Borrower Representative (the Borrower Representative's election to exercise such option in connection with any Limited Condition Acquisition, an "LCA Election"), the date of determination of whether any such action is permitted hereunder shall be deemed to be the date the definitive agreements for such Limited Condition Acquisition are entered into (the "LCA Test Date"). If, on a pro forma basis after giving effect to such Limited Condition Acquisition and the other transactions to be entered into in connection therewith (including any incurrence of Indebtedness and the use of proceeds thereof) with such ratios and other provisions being calculated as if such Limited Condition Acquisition and other transactions had occurred at the beginning of the most recently ended period of four consecutive Fiscal Quarters (taken as one accounting period) for which financial statements shall have been delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(a) or 5.01(b) (or, prior to the delivery of any such financial statements, as of the last Fiscal Quarter included in the financial statements referred to in Section 3.04(a)) ending prior to the LCA Test Date, the Borrowers could have taken such action on the relevant LCA Test Date in compliance with such ratio, default, Events of Default or basket, such ratio, default, Event of Default or basket shall be deemed to have been complied with for purposes of such Limited Condition Acquisition. For the avoidance of doubt, if the Borrower Representative has made an LCA Election and any of the ratios or baskets for which compliance was determined or tested as of the LCA Test Date are exceeded as a result of fluctuations in any such ratio or basket, including due to fluctuations in EBITDA of the Borrowers or the Person subject to such Limited Condition Acquisition, at or prior to the consummation of the relevant transaction or action, such baskets or ratios will not be deemed to have been exceeded as a result of such fluctuations, and such ratios and compliance with such conditions shall not be tested at the time of consummation of such Limited Condition Acquisition or related transactions. If the Borrower Representative has made an LCA Election for any Limited Condition Acquisition, then in connection with any subsequent calculation of any ratios, representations, warranties, defaults, Events of Default or basket availability with respect to the incurrence of Indebtedness or Liens, or the making of Restricted Payments, mergers, the conveyance, lease or other transfer of all or substantially all of the assets of the Borrowers and their Subsidiaries, the making of asset sales or dispositions, or the prepayment, redemption, purchase, defeasance or other satisfaction of Indebtedness on or following the relevant LCA Test Date and prior to the earlier of the date on which such Limited Condition Acquisition is consummated or the date that the definitive agreement for such Limited Condition Acquisition is terminated or expires without consummation of such Limited Condition Acquisition, any such ratios, representations, warranties, defaults, Events of Default or baskets shall be calculated on a pro forma basis assuming such Limited Condition Acquisition and other transactions in connection therewith (including any incurrence of Indebtedness and the use of proceeds thereof) have not been consummated until such time as the applicable Limited Condition Acquisition has actually closed (it being further understood that any Net Income and/or EBITDA therefrom shall not be included in determining Net Income or EBITDA, as applicable, in any such subsequent calculation until such Limited Condition Acquisition has actually closed).

SECTION 1.05. Status of Obligations. In the event that any Loan Party shall at any time issue or have outstanding any Subordinated Indebtedness, such Loan Party shall take all such actions as shall be necessary to cause the Secured Obligations to constitute senior indebtedness (however denominated) in respect of such Subordinated Indebtedness and to enable the Administrative Agent and the Lenders to have and exercise any payment blockage or other remedies available or potentially available to holders of senior indebtedness under the terms of such Subordinated Indebtedness. Without limiting the foregoing, the Obligations are hereby designated as "senior indebtedness" and as "designated senior indebtedness" and words of similar import under and in respect of any indenture or other agreement or instrument under which such Subordinated Indebtedness is outstanding and are further given all such other designations as shall be required under the terms of any such Subordinated Indebtedness in order that the Lenders may have and exercise any payment blockage or other remedies available or potentially available to holders of senior indebtedness under the terms of such Subordinated Indebtedness.

ARTICLE II

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SECTION 2.01. Loans. (a) Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, each Term Lender with a Term Loan Commitment (severally and not jointly) agrees to make a Term Loan in Dollars to the Borrowers on the Effective Date, in an amount equal to such Lender's Term Loan Commitment by making immediately available funds available to the Administrative Agent's designated account, not later than the time specified by the Administrative Agent. Amounts borrowed under this Section 2.01(a) are sometimes referred to herein as the "initial Term Loan."

(b) Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, each DDTL Lender with a DDTL Commitment (severally and not jointly) agrees to make up to five (5) Delayed Draw Term Loans in Dollars to the Borrowers from time to time during the Availability Period, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed such Lender's DDTL Commitment. Except as set forth in Section 4.03, any Delayed Draw Term Loan shall be on the same terms (including all-in pricing and maturity date) as, and pursuant to documentation applicable to, the initial Term Loan. The DDTL Commitment of each DDTL Lender shall be reduced by the aggregate amount of Delayed Draw Term Loans funded by such DDTL Lender. All Delayed Draw Term Loans, once funded shall become part of and be deemed to be of the same class as the initial Term Loan unless otherwise determined by the Administrative Agent. Each of the parties hereto hereby agrees that the Administrative Agent may, in consultation with the Borrower Representative, take any and all actions as may be reasonably necessary to ensure that all Delayed Draw Term Loans, when originally made or thereafter, are included in each Borrowing of outstanding initial Term Loans on a pro rata basis. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, this may be accomplished by requiring each outstanding Borrowing of the initial Term Loan that is a Eurodollar Loan to be converted into a Borrowing of the initial Term Loan that is an ABR Loan on the date of each such Delayed Draw Term Loan, or by allocating a portion of each such Delayed Draw Term Loan to each outstanding Borrowing of the initial Term Loan that is a Eurodollar Loan on a pro rata basis. Any conversion of Eurodollar Loans to ABR Loans required by the preceding sentence shall be subject to Section 2.16.

In addition, each scheduled amortization payment under Section 2.10(a) with respect to then-existing Term Loans required to be made after the making of any Delayed Draw Term Loan shall be ratably increased by the aggregate principal amount of such Delayed Draw Term Loan for all Lenders on a pro rata basis to the extent necessary (including to avoid any reduction in the amortization payments to which the initial Term Lenders are entitled in respect of such Delayed Draw Term Loan). To the extent any installment under Section 2.10(a) that is scheduled to be made in respect of the initial Term Loans on any day shall have been reduced or eliminated due to the application thereto of a prepayment prior to the date on which a Delayed Draw Term Loan is funded, then notwithstanding the provisions of Section 2.18 hereof to the contrary, Lenders who hold such funded Delayed Draw Term Loans on such day shall be entitled to receive the entire portion of each payment of, or application to, the installment with respect to such funded Delayed Draw Term Loan scheduled to be made on such day.

(c) Amounts repaid or prepaid in respect of Term Loans may not be reborrowed.

SECTION 2.02. <u>Loans and Borrowings</u>. (a) Each Delayed Draw Term Loan shall be made as part of a Borrowing consisting of Delayed Draw Term Loans of the same class and Type made by the Lenders ratably in accordance with their respective DDTL Commitments of the applicable class. The failure of any Lender to make any Delayed Draw Term Loan required to be made by it shall not relieve any other Lender of its obligations hereunder; <u>provided</u> that the DDTL Commitments of the Lenders are several and no Lender shall be responsible for any other Lender's failure to make Loans as required. The Loans shall amortize as set forth in <u>Section 2.10</u>.

- (b) Subject to Section 2.14, each Borrowing shall be comprised entirely of ABR Loans or Eurodollar Loans as the Borrower Representative may request in accordance herewith. Each Lender at its option may make any Eurodollar Loan by causing any domestic or foreign branch or Affiliate of such Lender to make such Loan (and in the case of an Affiliate, the provisions of Sections 2.15, 2.16 and 2.17 shall apply to such Affiliate to the same extent as to such Lender); provided that any exercise of such option shall not affect the obligation of the Borrowers to repay such Loan in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- (c) At the commencement of each Interest Period for any Eurodollar Borrowing, such Borrowing shall be in an aggregate amount that is an integral multiple of \$500,000 and not less than \$1,000,000. ABR Borrowings may be in any amount. Borrowings of more than one Type and class may be outstanding at the same time; provided that there shall not at any time be more than a total of five (5) Eurodollar Borrowings outstanding at any time.
- (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Borrower Representative shall not be entitled to request, or to elect to convert or continue, any Borrowing if the Interest Period requested with respect thereto would end after the Maturity Date.

SECTION 2.03. Requests for Borrowings. To request a Borrowing, the Borrower Representative shall notify the Administrative Agent of such request either in writing (delivered by hand or facsimile) in a form approved by the Administrative Agent and signed by the Borrower Representative or by telephone not later than (a) in the case of a Eurodollar Borrowing, 10:00 a.m., New York City time, three (3) Business Days before the date of the proposed Borrowing or (b) in the case of an ABR Borrowing, 10:00 a.m., New York City time, one Business Day before the date of the proposed Borrowing. Each such Borrowing Request shall be irrevocable and each telephonic Borrowing Request shall be confirmed promptly by hand delivery or facsimile to the Administrative Agent of a written Borrowing Request in a form approved by the Administrative Agent and signed by the Borrower Representative. Each Borrowing Request shall specify the following information:

- (i) the aggregate amount of the requested Borrowing and a breakdown of the separate wires comprising such Borrowing;
- (ii) the date of such Borrowing, which shall be a Business Day;
- (iii) whether such Borrowing is to be an ABR Borrowing or a Eurodollar Borrowing;
- (iv) in the case of a Eurodollar Borrowing, the initial Interest Period to be applicable thereto, which shall be a period contemplated by the definition of the term "Interest Period"; and
- (v) the location and account number of the account to which funds are to be disbursed, which shall comply with the requirements of Section 2.07.

If no election as to the Type of Delayed Draw Term Loan Borrowing is specified, then the requested Borrowing shall be an ABR Borrowing. If no Interest Period is specified with respect to any requested Eurodollar Delayed Draw Term Loan Borrowing, then the Borrowers shall be deemed to have selected an Interest Period of one month's duration. Promptly following receipt of a Borrowing Request in accordance with this Section, the Administrative Agent shall advise each Lender of the details thereof and of the amount of such Lender's Loan to be made as part of the requested Borrowing.

SECTION 2.04. [Intentionally Omitted].

SECTION 2.05. [Intentionally Omitted].

SECTION 2.06. [Intentionally Omitted].

SECTION 2.07. <u>Funding of Borrowings.</u> (a) Each Lender shall make each Loan to be made by such Lender hereunder on the proposed date thereof by wire transfer of immediately available funds by 11:00 a.m., New York City time, to the account of the Administrative Agent most recently designated by it for such purpose by notice to the Lenders in an amount equal to such Lender's Applicable Percentage of such Loan; provided that Term Loans shall be made as provided in <u>Section 2.01(a)</u>. The Administrative Agent will make such Loans available to the Borrowers by promptly crediting the amounts so received, in like funds, to one or more account(s) of the Borrowers designated in the Borrowing Request.

(b) Unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from a Lender prior to the proposed date of any Borrowing that such Lender will not make available to the Administrative Agent such Lender's share of such Borrowing, the Administrative Agent may assume that such Lender has made such share available on such date in accordance with paragraph(a) of this Section and may, in reliance upon such assumption, make available to the Borrowers a corresponding amount. In such event, if a Lender has not in fact made its share of the applicable Borrowing available to the Administrative Agent, then the applicable Lender and the Borrowers severally agree to pay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand such corresponding amount with interest thereon, for each day from and including the date such amount is made available to the Borrowers to but excluding the date of payment to the Administrative Agent, at (i) in the case of such Lender, the greater of the Federal Funds Effective Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation or (ii) in the case of the Borrowers, the interest rate applicable to ABR Loans. If such Lender pays such amount to the Administrative Agent, then such amount shall constitute such Lender's Loan included in such Borrowing.

SECTION 2.08. <u>Interest Elections</u> . (a) Each Borrowing initially shall be of the Type specified in the applicable Borrowing Reques
and, in the case of a Eurodollar Borrowing, shall have an initial Interest Period as specified in such Borrowing Request. Thereafter, the Borrowe
Representative may elect to convert such Borrowing to a different Type or to continue such Borrowing and, in the case of a Eurodollar Borrowing, may elect
Interest Periods therefor, all as provided in this Section. The Borrower Representative may elect different options with respect to different portions of th
affected Borrowing, in which case each such portion shall be allocated ratably among the Lenders holding the Loans comprising such Borrowing, and the
Loans comprising each such portion shall be considered a separate Borrowing.

- (b) To make an election pursuant to this Section, the Borrower Representative shall notify the Administrative Agent of such election by telephone by (a) in the case of an election of a conversion to, or continuation of, a Eurodollar Borrowing, not later than 11:00 a.m., New York City time, three (3) Business Days before the date of the proposed election or (b) in the case of a conversion to an ABR Borrowing, not later than 11:00 a.m., New York City time, one (1) Business Day before the date of the proposed election. Each such telephonic Interest Election Request shall be irrevocable and shall be confirmed promptly by hand delivery or facsimile to the Administrative Agent of a written Interest Election Request in a form approved by the Administrative Agent and signed by the Borrower Representative. Notwithstanding any contrary provision herein, this Section shall not be construed to permit the Borrower Representative to elect an Interest Period for Eurodollar Loans that does not comply with Section 2.02.
 - (c) Each telephonic and written Interest Election Request shall specify the following information in compliance with Section 2.02:
 - (i) the Borrowing to which such Interest Election Request applies and, if different options are being elected with respect to different portions thereof, the portions thereof to be allocated to each resulting Borrowing (in which case the information to be specified pursuant to clauses (iii) and (iv) below shall be specified for each resulting Borrowing);
 - (ii) the effective date of the election made pursuant to such Interest Election Request, which shall be a Business Day;
 - (iii) whether the resulting Borrowing is to be an ABR Borrowing or a Eurodollar Borrowing; and
 - (iv) if the resulting Borrowing is a Eurodollar Borrowing, the Interest Period to be applicable thereto after giving effect to such election, which shall be a period contemplated by the definition of the term "Interest Period".

If any such Interest Election Request requests a Eurodollar Borrowing but does not specify an Interest Period, then the Borrowers shall be deemed to have selected an Interest Period of one month's duration.

- (d) Promptly following receipt of an Interest Election Request, the Administrative Agent shall advise each Lender of the details thereof and of such Lender's portion of each resulting Borrowing.
- (e) If the Borrower Representative fails to deliver a timely Interest Election Request with respect to a Eurodollar Borrowing prior to the end of the Interest Period applicable thereto, then, unless such Borrowing is repaid as provided herein, at the end of such Interest Period such Borrowing shall be converted to an ABR Borrowing. Notwithstanding any contrary provision hereof, if a Default has occurred and is continuing and the Administrative Agent, at the request of the Required Lenders, so notifies the Borrower Representative, then, so long as a Default is continuing (i) no outstanding Borrowing may be converted to or continued as a Eurodollar Borrowing and (ii) unless repaid, each Eurodollar Borrowing shall be converted to an ABR Borrowing at the end of the Interest Period applicable thereto.

SECTION 2.09. <u>Termination and Reduction of Commitments.</u>

- (a) Unless previously terminated, (i) the DDTL Commitments shall terminate on December 22, 2016 and (ii) all other Commitments shall terminate on the Maturity Date.
- (b) The Borrower Representative may at any time terminate, or from time to time reduce, the DDTL Commitments; <u>provided</u> that reduction of the DDTL Commitments shall be in an amount that is an integral multiple of \$1,000,000 and not less than \$5,000,000.
- (c) The Borrower Representative shall notify the Administrative Agent of any election to terminate or reduce the DDTL Commitments under <u>paragraph (b)</u> of this Section at least three (3) Business Days prior to the effective date of such termination or reduction, specifying such election and the effective date thereof. Promptly following receipt of any notice, the Administrative Agent shall advise the Lenders of the contents thereof. Each notice delivered by the Borrower Representative pursuant to this Section shall be irrevocable; <u>provided</u> that a notice of termination of the DDTL Commitments delivered by the Borrower Representative may state that such notice is conditioned upon the effectiveness of other credit facilities or other transactions specified therein, in which case such notice may be revoked by the Borrower Representative (by notice to the Administrative Agent on or prior to the specified effective date) if such condition is not satisfied. Any termination or reduction of the DDTL Commitments shall be permanent. Each reduction of the DDTL Commitments shall be made ratably among the Lenders in accordance with their respective DDTL Commitments.
- SECTION 2.10. <u>Repayment and Amortization of Loans; Evidence of Debt.</u> (a) The Borrowers shall repay each Term Loan in quarterly installments, commencing on the last day of the calendar quarter during which such Term Loan is funded hereunder and continuing on the last day of each calendar quarter thereafter. Each such installment shall be in an amount equal to 0.25% of the aggregate principal amount of such Term Loan (as adjusted from time to time pursuant to <u>Section 2.11(e)</u> or otherwise under the Loan Documents). To the extent not previously paid, all the then unpaid balances of all Term Loans shall be paid in full by the Borrowers on the Maturity Date.
- (b) Each Lender shall maintain in accordance with its usual practice an account or accounts evidencing the indebtedness of the Borrowers to such Lender resulting from each Loan made by such Lender, including the amounts of principal and interest payable and paid to such Lender from time to time hereunder.
- (c) The Administrative Agent shall maintain accounts in which it shall record (i) the amount of each Loan made hereunder, the class and Type thereof and the Interest Period applicable thereto, (ii) the amount of any principal or interest due and payable or to become due and payable from the Borrowers to each Lender hereunder and (iii) the amount of any sum received by the Administrative Agent hereunder for the account of the Lenders and each Lender's share thereof.
- (d) The entries made in the accounts maintained pursuant to <u>paragraphs (c)</u> or <u>(d)</u> of this Section shall be <u>prima facie</u> evidence of the existence and amounts of the obligations recorded therein; <u>provided</u> that the failure of any Lender or the Administrative Agent to maintain such accounts or any error therein shall not in any manner affect the obligation of the Borrowers to repay the Loans in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

- (e) Any Lender may request that Loans made by it be evidenced by a promissory note. In such event, the Borrowers shall prepare, execute and deliver to such Lender a promissory note payable to such Lender (or, if requested by such Lender, to such Lender and its registered assigns) and in a form approved by the Administrative Agent.
- SECTION 2.11. <u>Prepayment of Loans.</u> (a) The Borrowers shall have the right at any time and from time to time to prepay any Borrowing in whole or in part, subject to prior notice in accordance with <u>paragraph (f)</u> of this Section.
 - (b) [Intentionally Omitted].
- Subject to the Intercreditor Agreement, in the event and on each occasion that any Net Proceeds are received by or on behalf of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary in respect of any Prepayment Event, the Borrowers shall, within one (1) Business Day after such Net Proceeds are received by such Loan Party or Subsidiary, prepay the Obligations as set forth in Section 2.11(e) below in an aggregate principal amount equal to, in the case of any event described in clause (a), (b) or (c) of the definition of "Prepayment Event," 100% of such Net Proceeds and; provided that, (x) in the case of any event described in clause (a) or (b), of the definition of the term "Prepayment Event," no payment shall be due under this Section until (i) subject to clause (ii), the aggregate Net Proceeds received in connection with such Prepayment Events after the Effective Date exceed \$10,000,000 and (ii) in any Fiscal Year, the aggregate Net Proceeds received in connection with such Prepayment Events during such Fiscal Year exceed \$2,500,000 and (y) in the case of any event described in clause (b) of the definition of the term "Prepayment Event" (other than insurance and condemnation proceeds arising from casualty or losses to Inventory), if the Borrower Representative shall deliver to the Administrative Agent following the receipt of such Net Proceeds a certificate of a Financial Officer to the effect that the Loan Parties intend to apply the Net Proceeds from such event (or a portion thereof specified in such certificate), within 360 days after receipt of such Net Proceeds (such period of time, the "Reinvestment Period"), to acquire (or replace or rebuild) real property, equipment or other tangible assets (other than ABL Priority Collateral) to be used in the business of the Loan Parties, and certifying that no Default has occurred and is continuing, then no prepayment shall be required pursuant to this paragraph in respect of the Net Proceeds specified in such certificate; provided that, to the extent of any such Net Proceeds therefrom that have not been so applied or contractually committed by the end of the applicable Reinvestment Period (and, if so contractually committed in writing by the end of the applicable Reinvestment Period, applied within 180 days of the end of the applicable Reinvestment Period), a prepayment in accordance with Section 2.11(e) shall be promptly (and, in any event, within one (1) Business Day) required in an amount equal to the aggregate amount of such Net Proceeds that have not been so applied. If the precise amount of insurance or condemnation proceeds allocable to Inventory as compared to Equipment, Fixtures and real property is not otherwise determined, the allocation and application of those proceeds shall be determined by the Administrative Agent, in its reasonable judgment. Nothing in this clause (c) shall be deemed to be implied consent to any transaction underlying a Prepayment Event that is otherwise prohibited by the terms of this Agreement.
- (d) The Borrowers shall prepay the Obligations as set forth in Section 2.11(e) below on the date that is ten (10) days after the earlier of (i) the date on which Holdings' and its Subsidiaries' annual audited financial statements for the immediately preceding Fiscal Year are delivered pursuant to Section 5.01 and (ii) the date on which such annual audited financial statements were required to be delivered pursuant to Section 5.01, in an amount equal to the ECF Percentage (as defined below) of the Loan Parties' Excess Cash Flow for the immediately preceding Fiscal Year, commencing with the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2017.

Each Excess Cash Flow prepayment shall be accompanied by a certificate signed by a Financial Officer of the Borrower Representative certifying the manner in which Excess Cash Flow and the resulting prepayment were calculated, which certificate shall be in form and substance satisfactory to Administrative Agent. As used herein, "ECF Percentage" means (x) fifty percent (50%) if the Total Leverage Ratio as of the last day of applicable Excess Cash Flow Period is greater than or equal to 4.00 to 1.00, (y) twenty-five percent (25%) if the Total Leverage Ratio as of the last day of applicable Excess Cash Flow Period is generated was greater than or equal to 3.25:1.00 but less than 4.00 to 1.00 and (z) zero percent (0%) if the Total Leverage Ratio as of the last day of applicable Excess Cash Flow Period is less than 3.25:1.00. Each Excess Cash Flow prepayment shall be accompanied by a certificate signed by a Financial Officer certifying the manner in which Excess Cash Flow and the resulting prepayment were calculated, which certificate shall be in form and substance satisfactory to Administrative Agent.

- (e) All amounts prepaid pursuant to <u>Section 2.11(c)</u> and (<u>d)</u> shall be applied, pro rata, to prepay the Term Loans (to be applied to installments of the Term Loans in inverse order of maturity).
- (f) The Borrower Representative shall notify the Administrative Agent by telephone (confirmed by facsimile) of any prepayment hereunder not later than 10:00 a.m., New York City time, (A) in the case of prepayment of a Eurodollar Borrowing, three (3) Business Days before the date of prepayment, or (B) in the case of prepayment of an ABR Borrowing, one (1) Business Day before the date of prepayment. Each such notice shall be irrevocable and shall specify the prepayment date and the principal amount of each Borrowing or portion thereof to be prepaid. Promptly following receipt of any such notice relating to a Borrowing, the Administrative Agent shall advise the Lenders of the contents thereof. Prepayments shall be accompanied by accrued interest to the extent required by Section 2.13, amounts due under Section 2.16 and the prepayment premium referred to in Section 2.12(e).
- SECTION 2.12. Fees. (a) The Borrowers agree to pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of each DDTL Lender with a DDTL Commitment a commitment fee in an aggregate amount equal to (i) the average daily principal amount of the DDTL Commitment of such DDTL Lender during the period from and including the Effective Date to but excluding the date on which the Lenders' DDTL Commitments terminate *multiplied by* (ii) a percentage equal to 50% of the Applicable Rate with respect to Eurodollar Loans. Accrued commitment fees shall be payable in arrears on the last day of each calendar quarter (commencing on the first such date to occur after the Effective Date) and on the date on which the DDTL Commitments terminate. All commitment fees shall be computed on the basis of a year of 360 days and shall be payable for the actual number of days elapsed.
 - (b) [intentionally omitted].
- (c) The Borrowers agree to pay to the Administrative Agent, for its own account (as applicable), the fees payable under the Engagement Letter as and when the same are due and such other fees in the amounts and at the times as are separately agreed upon between the Borrowers and the Administrative Agent, including those fees payable under the Fee Letter.
- (d) All fees payable hereunder shall be paid on the dates due, in immediately available funds, to the Administrative Agent for distribution, in the case of commitment fees and participation fees, to the Lenders. Fees paid shall not be refundable under any circumstances.
- (e) In the event that all or any portion of any Term Loan is subject to a Repricing Event (as defined below) prior to the first anniversary of the Effective Date, the Borrowers shall pay a prepayment premium in connection with any such Repricing Event in an amount equal to 1.0% of the Term Loan subject to such Repricing Event. The term "Repricing Event" shall mean (i) any prepayment or repayment of a Term Loan with the proceeds of, or any conversion of such loans into, any new or replacement class of term loans bearing interest at an "effective" interest rate less than the "effective" interest rate applicable to such Term Loan (as such comparative rates are determined by the Administrative Agent) and (ii) any amendment that, directly or indirectly, reduces the "effective" interest rate applicable to a Term Loan (in each case in (i) and (ii), with original issue discount and upfront fees, which shall be deemed to constitute like amounts of original issue discount, being equated to interest margins in a manner consistent with generally accepted financial practice based on an assumed four-year life to maturity). No "Repricing Event" shall be deemed to occur in connection with any Change in Control or Enterprise Transformative Acquisition. For the avoidance of doubt, any Lender that is replaced pursuant to Section 2.19, Section 9.02(e) or otherwise in connection with any conversion or amendment effecting any Repricing Event shall be entitled to receive the foregoing prepayment premium, which shall be payable by the Borrowers.

SECTION 2.13. Interest. (a) The Loans comprising each ABR Borrowing shall bear interest at the Alternate Base Rate plus the Applicable Rate.

- (b) The Loans comprising each Eurodollar Borrowing shall bear interest at the Adjusted LIBOR Rate for the Interest Period in effect for such Borrowing plus the Applicable Rate.
 - (c) [Intentionally Omitted].
- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, during the occurrence and continuance of an Event of Default, the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders may, at their option, by notice to the Borrower Representative (which notice may be revoked at the option of the Required Lenders notwithstanding any provision of Section 9.02 requiring the consent of "each Lender affected thereby" for reductions in interest rates), declare that (i) all Loans shall bear interest at 2% plus the rate otherwise applicable to such Loans as provided in the preceding paragraphs of this Section or (ii) in the case of any other amount outstanding hereunder, such amount shall accrue at 2% plus the rate applicable to such fee or other obligation as provided hereunder; provided that no notice shall be required and the foregoing rates shall automatically take effect upon the occurrence of an Event of Default under clause (a), (h), (i) or (j) of Article VII.
- (e) Accrued interest on each Loan (for ABR Loans, accrued through the last day of the prior calendar month) shall be payable in arrears on each Interest Payment Date for such Loan; <u>provided</u> that (i) interest accrued pursuant to <u>paragraph (d)</u> of this Section shall be payable on demand, (ii) in the event of any repayment or prepayment of any Loan, accrued interest on the principal amount repaid or prepaid shall be payable on the date of such repayment and (iii) in the event of any conversion of any Eurodollar Loan prior to the end of the current Interest Period therefor, accrued interest on such Loan shall be payable on the effective date of such conversion.
- (f) All interest hereunder shall be computed on the basis of a year of 360 days, except that interest computed by reference to the Alternate Base Rate at times when the Alternate Base Rate is based on the Prime Rate shall be computed on the basis of a year of 365 days (or 366 days in a leap year), and in each case shall be payable for the actual number of days elapsed. The applicable Alternate Base Rate, Adjusted LIBOR Rate or LIBOR Rate shall be determined by the Administrative Agent, and such determination shall be conclusive absent manifest error.

SECTION 2.14. <u>Alternate Rate of Interest</u>. If prior to the commencement of any Interest Period for a Eurodollar Borrowing:

(a)	the Administrative Agent determines (which determination shall be conclusive absent manifest error) that adequate and reasonable	
means do not exist for ascertaining the Adjusted LIBOR Rate or the LIBOR Rate, as applicable, for such Interest Period; or		

(b)	the Administrative Agent is advised by the Required Lenders that the Adjusted LIBOR Rate or the LIBOR Rate, as applicable, for
such Interest Period will n	ot adequately and fairly reflect the cost to such Lenders (or Lender) of making or maintaining their Loans (or its Loan) included i
such Borrowing for such I	nterest Period;

then the Administrative Agent shall give notice thereof to the Borrower Representative and the Lenders by telephone or facsimile as promptly as practicable thereafter and, until the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower Representative and the Lenders that the circumstances giving rise to such notice no longer exist, (i) any Interest Election Request that requests the conversion of any Borrowing to, or continuation of any Borrowing as, a Eurodollar Borrowing shall be ineffective, and (ii) if any Borrowing Request requests a Eurodollar Borrowing, such Borrowing shall be made as an ABR Borrowing.

SECTION 2.15. <u>Increased Costs.</u> (a) If any Change in Law shall:

- (i) impose, modify or deem applicable any reserve, special deposit, liquidity or similar requirement (including any compulsory loan requirement), insurance charge or other assessment against assets of, deposits with or for the account of, or credit extended by, any Lender (except any such reserve requirement reflected in the Adjusted LIBOR Rate);
- (ii) impose on any Lender or the London interbank market any other condition, cost or expense (other than Taxes) affecting this Agreement or Loans made by such Lender or any participation therein; or
- (iii) subject any Recipient to any Taxes (other than (A) Indemnified Taxes, (B) Taxes described in clauses (b) through (d) of the definition of Excluded Taxes and (C) Connection Income Taxes on its loans, loan principal, letters of credit, commitments, or other obligations, or its deposits, reserves, other liabilities or capital attributable thereto;

and the result of any of the foregoing shall be to increase the cost to such Lender or such other Recipient of making, continuing, converting into or maintaining any Loan (or of maintaining its obligation to make any such Loan) or to increase the cost to such Lender or to reduce the amount of any sum received or receivable by such Lender or such other Recipient hereunder (whether of principal, interest or otherwise), then the Borrowers will pay to such Lender or such other Recipient, as the case may be, for such additional costs incurred or reduction suffered.

- (b) If any Lender determines that any Change in Law regarding capital or liquidity requirements has or would have the effect of reducing the rate of return on such Lender's capital or on the capital of such Lender's holding company, if any, as a consequence of this Agreement or the Loans made by such Lender to a level below that which such Lender or such Lender's holding company could have achieved but for such Change in Law (taking into consideration such Lender's policies and the policies of such Lender's holding company with respect to capital adequacy and liquidity), then from time to time the Borrowers will pay to such Lender such additional amount or amounts as will compensate such Lender or such Lender's holding company for any such reduction suffered.
- (c) A certificate of a Lender setting forth the amount or amounts necessary to compensate such Lender or its holding company, as the case may be, as specified in <u>paragraph (a)</u> or <u>(b)</u> of this Section shall be delivered to the Borrower Representative and shall be conclusive absent manifest error. The Borrowers shall pay such Lender the amount shown as due on any such certificate within ten (10) days after receipt thereof.

(d) Failure or delay on the part of any Lender to demand compensation pursuant to this Section shall not constitute a waiver of such Lender's right to demand such compensation; <u>provided</u> that the Borrowers shall not be required to compensate a Lender pursuant to this Section for any increased costs or reductions incurred more than 180 days prior to the date that such Lender notifies the Borrower Representative of the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions and of such Lender's intention to claim compensation therefor; <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that if the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions is retroactive, then the 180-day period referred to above shall be extended to include the period of retroactive effect thereof.

SECTION 2.16. Break Funding Payments. In the event of (a) the payment of any principal of any Eurodollar Loan other than on the last day of an Interest Period applicable thereto (including as a result of an Event of Default or as a result of any prepayment pursuant to Section 2.11), (b) the conversion of any Eurodollar Loan other than on the last day of the Interest Period applicable thereto, (c) the failure to borrow, convert, continue or prepay any Eurodollar Loan on the date specified in any notice delivered pursuant hereto), or (d) the assignment of any Eurodollar Loan other than on the last day of the Interest Period applicable thereto as a result of a request by the Borrower Representative pursuant to Section 2.19, then, in any such event, the Borrowers shall compensate each Lender for the loss, cost and expense attributable to such event. In the case of a Eurodollar Loan, such loss, cost or expense to any Lender shall be deemed to include an amount determined by such Lender to be the excess, if any, of (i) the amount of interest which would have accrued on the principal amount of such Eurodollar Loan had such event not occurred, at the Adjusted LIBOR Rate that would have been applicable to such Eurodollar Loan, for the period from the date of such event to the last day of the then current Interest Period therefor (or, in the case of a failure to borrow, convert or continue, for the period that would have been the Interest Period for such Eurodollar Loan), over (ii) the amount of interest which would accrue on such principal amount for such period at the interest rate which such Lender would bid were it to bid, at the commencement of such period, for Dollar deposits of a comparable amount and period from other banks in the eurodollar market. A certificate of any Lender setting forth any amount or amounts that such Lender is entitled to receive pursuant to this Section shall be delivered to the Borrower Representative and shall be conclusive absent manifest error. The Borrowers shall pay such Lender the am

SECTION 2.17. Withholding of Taxes; Gross-Up.

(a) Payments Free of Taxes. Any and all payments by or on account of any obligation of any Loan Party under any Loan Document shall be made without deduction or withholding for any Taxes, except as required by applicable law. If any applicable law (as determined in the good faith discretion of an applicable withholding agent) requires the deduction or withholding of any Tax from any such payment by a withholding agent, then the applicable withholding agent shall be entitled to make such deduction or withholding and shall timely pay the full amount deducted or withheld to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with applicable law and, if such Tax is an Indemnified Tax, then the sum payable by the applicable Loan Party shall be increased as necessary so that after such deduction or withholding for Indemnified Taxes has been made (including such deductions and withholdings applicable to additional sums payable under this Section 2.17) the applicable Recipient receives an amount equal to the sum it would have received had no such deduction or withholding been made.

- (b) <u>Payment of Other Taxes by the Borrowers</u>. The Loan Parties shall timely pay to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with applicable law, or at the option of the Administrative Agent timely reimburse it for, Other Taxes.
- (c) <u>Evidence of Payments</u>. As soon as practicable after any payment of Taxes by any Loan Party to a Governmental Authority pursuant to this <u>Section 2.17</u>, such Loan Party shall deliver to the Administrative Agent the original or a certified copy of a receipt issued by such Governmental Authority evidencing such payment, a copy of the return reporting such payment or other evidence of such payment reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.
- (d) <u>Indemnification by the Loan Parties</u>. The Loan Parties shall jointly and severally indemnify each Recipient, within ten (10) days after demand therefor, for the full amount of any Indemnified Taxes (including Indemnified Taxes imposed or asserted on or attributable to amounts payable under this Section) payable or paid by such Recipient or required to be withheld or deducted from a payment to such Recipient and any reasonable expenses arising therefrom or with respect thereto, whether or not such Indemnified Taxes were correctly or legally imposed or asserted by the relevant Governmental Authority. A certificate as to the amount of such payment or liability, including a description of the basis for the indemnification claim to the extent reasonably available, delivered to any Loan Party by a Lender (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), or by the Administrative Agent on its own behalf or on behalf of a Lender, shall be conclusive absent manifest error.
- (e) <u>Indemnification by the Lenders</u>. Each Lender shall severally indemnify the Administrative Agent, within ten (10) days after demand therefor, for (i) any Indemnified Taxes attributable to such Lender (but only to the extent that any Loan Party has not already indemnified the Administrative Agent for such Indemnified Taxes and without limiting the obligation of the Loan Parties to do so), (ii) any Taxes attributable to such Lender's failure to comply with the provisions of <u>Section 9.04(c)</u> relating to the maintenance of a Participant Register and (iii) any Excluded Taxes attributable to such Lender, in each case, that are payable or paid by the Administrative Agent in connection with any Loan Document, and any reasonable expenses arising therefrom or with respect thereto, whether or not such Taxes were correctly or legally imposed or asserted by the relevant Governmental Authority. A certificate as to the amount of such payment or liability delivered to any Lender by the Administrative Agent shall be conclusive absent manifest error. Each Lender hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to set off and apply any and all amounts at any time owing to such Lender under any Loan Document or otherwise payable by the Administrative Agent to such Lender from any other source against any amount due to the Administrative Agent under this <u>paragraph (e)</u>.

(f) Status of Lenders.

(i) Any Lender that is entitled to an exemption from or reduction of withholding Tax with respect to payments made under any Loan Document shall deliver to the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent, at the time or times reasonably requested by the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent, such properly completed and executed documentation reasonably requested by the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent as will permit such payments to be made without withholding or at a reduced rate of withholding. In addition, any Lender, if reasonably requested by the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent, shall deliver such other documentation prescribed by applicable law or reasonably requested by the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent as will enable the Borrowers or the Administrative Agent to determine whether or not such Lender is subject to backup withholding or information reporting requirements. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the preceding two sentences, the completion, execution and submission of such documentation (other than such documentation set forth in Section 2.17(f)(ii)(A), (ii)(B) and (ii)(D) below) shall not be required if in the Lender's reasonable judgment such completion, execution or submission would subject such Lender to any material unreimbursed cost or expense or would materially prejudice the legal or commercial position of such Lender.

- (ii) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, in the event that any Borrower is a U.S. Person,
- (A) any Lender that is a U.S. Person shall deliver to the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent on or prior to the date on which such Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent), an executed IRS Form W-9 certifying that such Lender is exempt from U.S. Federal backup withholding tax;
- (B) any Foreign Lender shall, to the extent it is legally entitled to do so, deliver to the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent (in such number of copies as shall be requested by the recipient) on or prior to the date on which such Foreign Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent), whichever of the following is applicable:
 - (1) in the case of a Foreign Lender claiming the benefits of an income tax treaty to which the United States is a party (x) with respect to payments of interest under any Loan Document, executed copies of IRS Form W-8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E, as applicable, establishing an exemption from, or reduction of, U.S. Federal withholding Tax pursuant to the "interest" article of such tax treaty and (y) with respect to any other applicable payments under any Loan Document, IRS Form W-8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E, as applicable, establishing an exemption from, or reduction of, U.S. Federal withholding Tax pursuant to the "business profits" or "other income" article of such tax treaty;
 - (2) in the case of a Foreign Lender claiming that its extension of credit will generate U.S. effectively connected income, executed copies of IRS Form W-8ECI;
 - (3) in the case of a Foreign Lender claiming the benefits of the exemption for portfolio interest under Section 881(c) of the Code, (x) a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit G-1 to the effect that such Foreign Lender is not a "bank" within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code, a "10 percent shareholder" of a Borrower within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(B) of the Code, or a "controlled foreign corporation" described in Section 881(c)(3)(C) of the Code (a "U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate") and (y) executed copies of IRS Form W-8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E, as applicable; or
 - (4) to the extent a Foreign Lender is not the Beneficial Owner, executed copies of IRS Form W-8IMY, accompanied by IRS Form W-8ECI, IRS Form W-8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E, as applicable, a U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit G-2 or Exhibit G-3, IRS Form W-9, and/or other certification documents from each Beneficial Owner, as applicable; provided that if the Foreign Lender is a partnership and one or more direct or indirect partners of such Foreign Lender are claiming the portfolio interest exemption, such Foreign Lender may provide a U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit G-4 on behalf of each such direct and indirect partner;

(C) any Foreign Lender shall, to the extent it is legally entitled to do so, deliver to the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent (in such number of copies as shall be requested by the recipient) on or prior to the date on which such Foreign Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent), executed originals of any other form prescribed by applicable law as a basis for claiming exemption from or a reduction in U.S. Federal withholding Tax, duly completed, together with such supplementary documentation as may be prescribed by applicable law to permit the Borrowers or the Administrative Agent to determine the withholding or deduction required to be made; and

(D) if a payment made to a Lender under any Loan Document would be subject to U.S. Federal withholding Tax imposed by FATCA if such Lender were to fail to comply with the applicable reporting requirements of FATCA (including those contained in Section 1471(b) or 1472(b) of the Code, as applicable), such Lender shall deliver to the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent at the time or times prescribed by law and at such time or times reasonably requested by the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent such documentation prescribed by applicable law (including as prescribed by Section 1471(b)(3)(C)(i) of the Code) and such additional documentation reasonably requested by the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent as may be necessary for the Borrowers and the Administrative Agent to comply with their obligations under FATCA and to determine that such Lender has complied with such Lender's obligations under FATCA or to determine the amount to deduct and withhold from such payment. Solely for purposes of this clause (D), "FATCA" shall include any amendments made to FATCA after the date of this Agreement.

Each Lender agrees that if any form or certification it previously delivered expires or becomes obsolete or inaccurate in any respect, it shall update such form or certification or promptly notify the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent in writing of its legal inability to do so.

(g) Treatment of Certain Refunds. If any party determines, in its sole discretion exercised in good faith, that it has received a refund of any Taxes as to which it has been indemnified pursuant to this Section 2.17 (including by the payment of additional amounts pursuant to this Section 2.17), it shall pay to the indemnifying party an amount equal to such refund (but only to the extent of indemnity payments made under this Section 2.17 with respect to the Taxes giving rise to such refund), net of all out-of-pocket expenses (including Taxes) of such indemnified party and without interest (other than any interest paid by the relevant Governmental Authority with respect to such refund). Such indemnifying party, upon the request of such indemnified party, shall repay to such indemnified party the amount paid over pursuant to this paragraph (g) (plus any penalties, interest or other charges imposed by the relevant Governmental Authority) in the event that such indemnified party is required to repay such refund to such Governmental Authority. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this paragraph (g), in no event will the indemnified party be required to pay any amount to an indemnifying party pursuant to this paragraph (g) the payment of which would place the indemnified party in a less favorable net after-Tax position than the indemnified party would have been in if the Tax subject to indemnification and giving rise to such refund had not been deducted, withheld or otherwise imposed and the indemnification payments or additional amounts giving rise to such refund had never been paid. This paragraph (g) shall not be construed to require any indemnified party to make available its Tax returns (or any other information relating to its Taxes that it deems confidential) to the indemnifying party or any other Person.

- (h) <u>Survival</u>. Each party's obligations under this <u>Section 2.17</u> shall survive the resignation or replacement of the Administrative Agent or any assignment of rights by, or the replacement of, a Lender, the termination of the Commitments and the repayment, satisfaction or discharge of all obligations under any Loan Document.
 - (i) <u>Defined Terms</u>. For purposes of this <u>Section 2.17</u>, the term "applicable law" includes FATCA.
- SECTION 2.18. <u>Payments Generally; Allocation of Proceeds; Sharing of Set-offs.</u> (a) The Borrowers shall make each payment required to be made by them hereunder (whether of principal, interest or fees, or of amounts payable under <u>Section 2.15</u>, <u>2.16</u> or <u>2.17</u>, or otherwise) prior to 4:00 p.m., New York City time, on the date when due, in immediately available funds, without set-off or counterclaim. Any amounts received after such time on any date may, in the discretion of the Administrative Agent, be deemed to have been received on the next succeeding Business Day for purposes of calculating interest thereon. All such payments shall be made to the Administrative Agent at its offices at 520 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10022, or to the account designated by Administrative Agent, except that payments pursuant to <u>Section 2.15</u>, <u>2.16</u>, <u>2.17</u> and <u>9.03</u> shall be made directly to the Persons entitled thereto. The Administrative Agent shall distribute any such payments received by it for the account of any other Person to the appropriate recipient promptly following receipt thereof. If any payment hereunder shall be due on a day that is not a Business Day, the date for payment shall be extended to the next succeeding Business Day, and, in the case of any payment accruing interest, interest thereon shall accrue and be payable for the period of such extension. All payments hereunder shall be made in Dollars.
- (b) Any proceeds of Collateral received by the Agents (i) not constituting (A) a specific payment of principal, interest, fees or other sum payable under the Loan Documents (which shall be applied as specified by the Borrowers) or (B) a mandatory prepayment (which shall be applied in accordance with Section 2.11), or (ii) after an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and the Administrative Agent so elects or the Required Lenders so direct, shall be applied, subject to the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement, ratably first, to pay any fees, indemnities, or expense reimbursements including amounts then due to the Agents from the Borrowers, second, to pay any fees or expense reimbursements then due to the Lenders from the Borrowers, third, to pay interest then due and payable on the Loans ratably, fourth, to prepay principal on the Loans ratably (with amounts applied to the Term Loans applied to installments of such Loans in inverse order of maturity), and fifth, to the payment of any other Obligation due to the Agents or any Lender. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, unless so directed by the Borrower Representative, or unless a Default is in existence, neither the Administrative Agent nor any Lender shall apply any payment which it receives to any Eurodollar Loan of a class, except (a) on the expiration date of the Interest Period applicable thereto or (b) in the event, and only to the extent, that there are no outstanding ABR Loans of the same class and, in any such event, the Borrowers shall pay the break funding payment required in accordance with Section 2.16. The Administrative Agent and the Lenders shall have the continuing and exclusive right to apply and reverse and reapply any and all such proceeds and payments to any portion of the Obligations.
- (c) At the election of the Administrative Agent, all payments of principal, interest, fees, premiums, reimbursable expenses (including, without limitation, all reimbursement for fees and expenses pursuant to <u>Section 9.03</u>), and other sums payable under the Loan Documents, may be paid from the proceeds of Borrowings made hereunder whether made following a request by the Borrower Representative pursuant to <u>Section 2.03</u> or a deemed request as provided in this Section or may be deducted from any deposit account of any Borrower maintained with the Administrative Agent.

The Borrowers hereby irrevocably authorize (i) the Administrative Agent to make a Borrowing for the purpose of paying each payment of principal, interest and fees as it becomes due hereunder or any other amount due under the Loan Documents and agrees that all such amounts charged shall constitute Loans and that all such Borrowings shall be deemed to have been requested pursuant to Section 2.03 and (ii) the Administrative Agent to charge any deposit account of any Borrower maintained with the Administrative Agent for each payment of principal, interest and fees as it becomes due hereunder or any other amount due under the Loan Documents.

- (d) If, except as otherwise expressly provided herein, any Lender shall, by exercising any right of set off or counterclaim or otherwise, obtain payment in respect of any principal of or interest on any of its Loans resulting in such Lender receiving payment of a greater proportion of the aggregate amount of its Loans and accrued interest thereon than the proportion received by any other similarly situated Lender, then the Lender receiving such greater proportion shall purchase (for cash at face value) participations in the Loans of other Lenders to the extent necessary so that the benefit of all such payments shall be shared by all such Lenders ratably in accordance with the aggregate amount of principal of and accrued interest on their respective Loans; provided that (i) if any such participations are purchased and all or any portion of the payment giving rise thereto is recovered, such participations shall be rescinded and the purchase price restored to the extent of such recovery, without interest, and (ii) the provisions of this paragraph shall not be construed to apply to any payment made by the Borrowers pursuant to and in accordance with the express terms of this Agreement or any payment obtained by a Lender as consideration for the assignment of or sale of a participation in any of its Loans to any assignee or participant, other than to the Borrowers or any Subsidiary or Affiliate thereof (as to which the provisions of this paragraph shall apply). The Borrowers consent to the foregoing and agree, to the extent they may effectively do so under applicable law, that any Lender acquiring a participation pursuant to the foregoing arrangements may exercise against the Borrowers rights of set-off and counterclaim with respect to such participation as fully as if such Lender were a direct creditor of the Borrowers in the amount of such participation.
- (e) Unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from the Borrower Representative prior to the date on which any payment is due to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Lenders hereunder that the Borrowers will not make such payment, the Administrative Agent may assume that the Borrowers have made such payment on such date in accordance herewith and may, in reliance upon such assumption, distribute to the Lenders the amount due. In such event, if the Borrowers have not in fact made such payment, then each of the Lenders severally agrees to repay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand the amount so distributed to such Lender with interest thereon, for each day from and including the date such amount is distributed to it to but excluding the date of payment to the Administrative Agent, at the greater of the Federal Funds Effective Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation.
- (f) If any Lender shall fail to make any payment required to be made by it hereunder, then the Administrative Agent may, in its discretion (notwithstanding any contrary provision hereof), (i) apply any amounts thereafter received by the Administrative Agent for the account of such Lender to satisfy such Lender's obligations hereunder until all such unsatisfied obligations are fully paid and/or (ii) hold any such amounts in a segregated account as cash collateral for, and application to, any future funding obligations of such Lender hereunder; application of amounts pursuant to <u>clauses (i)</u> and (<u>ii)</u> above shall be made in such order as may be determined by the Administrative Agent in its discretion.

SECTION 2.19. <u>Mitigation Obligations; Replacement of Lenders.</u>

- (a) If any Lender requests compensation under <u>Section 2.15</u>, or if the Borrowers are required to pay any Indemnified Taxes or additional amounts to any Lender or any Governmental Authority for the account of any Lender pursuant to <u>Section 2.17</u>, then such Lender shall use reasonable efforts to designate a different lending office for funding or booking its Loans hereunder or to assign its rights and obligations hereunder to another of its offices, branches or affiliates, if, in the judgment of such Lender, such designation or assignment (i) would eliminate or reduce amounts payable pursuant to <u>Section 2.15</u> or <u>2.17</u>, as the case may be, in the future and (ii) would not subject such Lender to any unreimbursed cost or expense and would not otherwise be disadvantageous to such Lender. The Borrowers hereby agree to pay all reasonable costs and expenses incurred by any Lender in connection with any such designation or assignment.
- (b) If any Lender requests compensation under Section 2.15, or if the Borrowers are required to pay any additional amount to any Lender or any Governmental Authority for the account of any Lender pursuant to Section 2.17, or if any Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender, then the Borrowers may, at their sole expense and effort, upon notice to such Lender and the Administrative Agent, require such Lender to assign and delegate, without recourse (in accordance with and subject to the restrictions contained in Section 9.04), all its interests, rights and obligations under this Agreement to an assignee that shall assume such obligations (which assignee may be another Lender, if a Lender accepts such assignment); provided that (i) the Borrowers shall have received the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent, which consent shall not unreasonably be withheld or delayed, (ii) such Lender shall have received payment of an amount equal to the outstanding principal of its Loans, accrued interest thereon, accrued fees and all other amounts payable to it hereunder, from the assignee (to the extent of such outstanding principal and accrued interest and fees) or the Borrowers (in the case of all other amounts) and (iii) in the case of any such assignment resulting from a claim for compensation under Section 2.15 or payments required to be made pursuant to Section 2.17, such assignment will result in a reduction in such compensation or payments. A Lender shall not be required to make any such assignment and delegation if, prior thereto, as a result of a waiver by such Lender or otherwise, the circumstances entitling the Borrowers to require such assignment and delegation cease to apply.
- SECTION 2.20. <u>Defaulting Lenders</u>. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, if any Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender, then the following provisions shall apply for so long as such Lender is a Defaulting Lender:
- (a) fees shall cease to accrue on the unfunded portion of the DDTL Commitment of such Defaulting Lender pursuant to $\underline{Section}$ $\underline{2.12(a)}$; and
- (b) the DDTL Commitments or Loans of such Defaulting Lender shall not be included in determining whether the Required Lenders have taken or may take any action hereunder (including any consent to any amendment, waiver or other modification pursuant to <u>Section 9.02</u>); <u>provided</u>, that this <u>clause (b)</u> shall not apply to the vote of a Defaulting Lender in the case of an amendment, waiver or other modification requiring the consent of such Lender or each Lender affected thereby.
- SECTION 2.21. Returned Payments. If after receipt of any payment which is applied to the payment of all or any part of the Obligations, the Administrative Agent or any Lender is for any reason compelled to surrender such payment or proceeds to any Person because such payment or application of proceeds is invalidated, declared fraudulent, set aside, determined to be void or voidable as a preference, impermissible setoff, or a diversion of trust funds, or for any other reason, then the Obligations or part thereof intended to be satisfied shall be revived and continued and this Agreement shall continue in full force as if such payment or proceeds had not been received by the Administrative Agent or such Lender. The provisions of this Section 2.21 shall be and remain effective notwithstanding any contrary action which may have been taken by the Administrative Agent or any Lender in reliance upon such payment or application of proceeds. The provisions of this Section 2.21 shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

SECTION 2.22. <u>Expansion Option</u>.

- (a) The Borrower Representative may from time to time, upon three Business Days' notice (or such shorter period as the Administrative Agent accepts in its sole discretion) to the Administrative Agent (or such lesser notice as agreed to by the Administrative Agent), add one or more additional tranches of incremental term facilities and/or increase the principal amount of the Term Loans of any existing class by requesting new term loan commitments to provide such Term Loans (any such new tranche or increase, an "Incremental Facility." and any loans made pursuant to an Incremental Facility, "Incremental Term Loans"), in each case in minimum increments of \$10,000,000, so long as, after giving effect thereto, the aggregate amount of all such Incremental Term Loans does not exceed the Incremental Cap. The Borrower Representative may arrange for any tranche or increase, as the case may be, to be provided by one or more Lenders (each Lender so agreeing to participate in such Incremental Term Loans, an "Increasing Lender"), or by one or more new banks, financial institutions or other entities (each such new bank, financial institution or other entity, an "Augmenting Lender"); provided that (i) each Augmenting Lender, shall be subject to the approval of the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent (such approvals not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) and (ii) (x) in the case of an Increasing Lender, the Borrower Representative and such Increasing Lender shall execute an agreement substantially in the form of Exhibit B hereto, and (y) in the case of an Augmenting Lender, the Borrower Representative and such Augmenting Lender shall execute an agreement substantially in the form of Exhibit C hereto. No consent of any Lender (other than the Lenders participating in such Incremental Term Loan) shall be required for any Incremental Term Loan pursuant to this Section 2.22 shall become effective on the date agreed by the Borrower Representative, the Administrative Agent and the relevant Increasing Lenders or Au
- (b) No Incremental Term Loans shall become effective under this Section unless, (i) on the proposed date of the effectiveness of such Incremental Term Loans, (x) no Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or, in the case of a Permitted Acquisition or similar committed investment, no Event of Default under clauses (a), (b), (i) or (j) of the definition thereof shall have occurred and be continuing; provided that in the case of a Limited Condition Acquisition, at the Borrower Representative's option, such condition may be tested in accordance with Section 1.04(c) so long as at the time of the consummation of such Limited Condition Acquisition, no Event of Default under clauses (a), (b), (h), (i) or (j) of the definition thereof shall have occurred and be continuing, (y) the representations and warranties set forth in the Loan Documents shall be true and correct in all material respects (except in connection with a Permitted Acquisition or similar committed investment, which, if and only to the extent agreed by the Lenders providing such Incremental Term Loans, shall be subject to customary "SunGard" or "certain funds" conditionality), and (z) the Administrative Agent shall have received a certificate to the effect that the requirements of clauses (i)(x) and (i)(y) have been complied with dated such date and executed by a Financial Officer of the Borrower Representative and (ii) the Administrative Agent shall have received documents consistent with those delivered on the Effective Date as to the corporate power and authority of the Borrowers to borrow hereunder after giving effect to such Incremental Term Loans.
 - (c) The Incremental Facilities shall be subject to the following provisions, as applicable:
 - (i) the Incremental Term Loans (a) shall rank *pari passu* in right of payment and may rank *pari passu* or junior with respect to security with the Secured Obligations (subject, if applicable, to an intercreditor agreement reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent) or be unsecured, (b) if secured, may not be secured by any assets other than Collateral and (c) if guaranteed, may not be guaranteed by any Person who is not a Loan Party.

Any Incremental Facility that is secured on a junior lien basis to the Secured Obligations will be documented in a separate facility and shall be subject to an intercreditor agreement reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, and any Incremental Facility that is unsecured will be documented in a separate facility;

- (ii) any Incremental Term Loans (a) ranking *pari passu* with respect to security with the Secured Obligations will not have (x) a maturity date earlier than the Maturity Date or (y) a shorter Average Life than the remaining Average Life of the then-existing Loans and (b) ranking junior with respect to security with Secured Obligations or which are unsecured will not have (x) a maturity date prior to the date that is 91 days after the Maturity Date or (y) a shorter Average Life than the remaining Average Life of the then-existing Loans;
- (iii) the All-in-Yield (and the components thereof) applicable to any Incremental Facility shall be determined by the applicable Increasing Lenders and Augmenting Lenders providing such Incremental Facility and the Borrower Representative; provided, that to the extent any Incremental Facility is entered into, the All-in-Yield in respect of any Incremental Facility that ranks *pari passu* in right of payment and security with the then-existing Loans shall not exceed the All-in-Yield for such Loans, as in effect on the date of the funding of such Incremental Facility, *plus* 0.50% per annum, unless the All-in-Yield then in effect for such then-existing Loans is increased by an amount equal to the difference between (A) the All-in-Yield in respect of such Incremental Facility and (B) the All-in-Yield for each of such then-existing Loans, less 0.50% per annum in each case; provided that any increase in All-in-Yield of the then-existing Term Loans due to the increase in an Adjusted LIBOR Rate or Alternate Base Rate floor on any Incremental Term Loan shall be effected solely through an increase in any Adjusted LIBOR Rate or Alternate Base Rate floor applicable to such then-existing Term Loans
- (iv) (A) all terms (other than with respect to margin, pricing, maturity or fees) applicable to any Incremental Facility shall be no more favorable (taken as a whole) to the Lenders providing such Incremental Facility than to the Lenders providing the then-existing Loans; provided that the terms and conditions applicable to any tranche of Incremental Term Loans maturing after the Maturity Date may provide for material additional or different financial or other covenants or prepayment requirements applicable only during periods after the Maturity Date; and
- (v) any prepayment (other than scheduled amortization payments) of Incremental Term Loans that are *pari passu* in right of payment and *pari passu* with respect to security with the then-existing Loans shall be made on a *pro rata* basis with the then-existing Loans, except that the Borrowers and the Lenders in respect of such Incremental Term Loans shall be permitted, in their sole discretion, to elect to prepay or receive, as applicable, any prepayments on a less than *pro rata* basis (but not on a greater than *pro rata* basis).
- (d) Incremental Term Loans may be made hereunder pursuant to an amendment or restatement (an "Incremental Term Loan Amendment") of this Agreement and, as appropriate, the other Loan Documents, executed by the Borrowers, each Increasing Lender participating in such Incremental Facility, each Augmenting Lender participating in such Incremental Facility, if any, and the Administrative Agent. The Incremental Term Loan Amendment may, without the consent of any other Lenders, effect such amendments to this Agreement and the other Loan Documents as may be necessary or appropriate, in the reasonable opinion of the Administrative Agent, to effect the provisions of this Section 2.22. Nothing contained in this Section 2.22 shall constitute, or otherwise be deemed to be, a commitment on the part of any Lender to provide Incremental Term Loans at any time.

ARTICLE III

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

Each Loan Party represents and warrants to the Lenders that:

SECTION 3.01. <u>Organization; Powers</u>. Each Loan Party and its Subsidiaries is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, has all requisite power and authority to carry on its business as now conducted and, except where the failure to do so, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, is qualified to do business in, and is in good standing in, every jurisdiction where such qualification is required.

SECTION 3.02. <u>Authorization; Enforceability.</u> The Transactions are within each Loan Party's organizational powers and have been duly authorized by all necessary organizational actions and, if required, actions by equity holders. The Loan Documents to which each Loan Party is a party have been duly executed and delivered by such Loan Party and constitute a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Loan Party, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other laws affecting creditors' rights generally and subject to general principles of equity, regardless of whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at law.

SECTION 3.03. Governmental Approvals; No Conflicts. The Transactions (a) do not require any consent or approval of, registration or filing with, or any other action by, any Governmental Authority, except such as have been obtained or made and are in full force and effect and except for filings necessary to perfect Liens created pursuant to the Loan Documents, (b) will not violate any Requirement of Law applicable to any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries, or give rise to a right thereunder to require any payment to be made by any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries, and (d) will not result in the creation or imposition of any Lien on any asset of any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries, except Liens created pursuant to the Loan Documents, or subject to the Intercreditor Agreement, the ABL Loan Documents.

SECTION 3.04. <u>Financial Condition; No Material Adverse Change</u>. (a) Holdings has heretofore furnished to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders (i) the consolidated balance sheet and statements of income, stockholders equity and cash flows of Holdings and its consolidated Subsidiaries as of and for the Fiscal Year ended December 25, 2015, reported on by BDO USA, LLP, independent public accountants and (ii) the unaudited interim consolidated balance sheet of Holdings and its consolidated Subsidiaries dated March 25, 2016 and the related statements of income and cash flows for the three (3) fiscal months then ended. Such financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations and cash flows of Holdings and its consolidated Subsidiaries as of such date and for such period in accordance with GAAP, subject to year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes in the case of the statements referred to in <u>clause (ii)</u> above.

(b) Holdings has heretofore furnished to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders projected balance sheets, income statements and statements of cash flows of Holdings and its Subsidiaries for Fiscal Years 2016 through 2020. Such projections were prepared in good faith based upon assumptions believed to be reasonable at the time delivered and, if such projected financial information was delivered prior to the Effective Date, as of the Effective Date, and Holdings is not aware of any facts or information that would lead it to believe that such projections are incorrect or misleading in any material respect.

SECTION 3.05. Properties. (a) As of the Effective Date, Schedule 3.05 sets forth the address of each parcel of real property that is owned or leased by each Loan Party (and indicates whether any such real property constitutes an Excluded Asset). Each of such leases and subleases is valid and enforceable in accordance with its terms and is in full force and effect, and no default by any party to any such lease or sublease exists. Each of the Loan Parties and its Subsidiaries has good and indefeasible title to, or valid leasehold interests in, all of its real and personal property, free of all Liens (other than those permitted by Section 6.02). All such property is in good working order and condition, ordinary wear and tear and damage by casualty excepted.

(c)

since December 25, 2015.

No event, change or condition has occurred that has had, or could reasonably be expected to have, a Material Adverse Effect,

- (b) Each Loan Party and its Subsidiaries owns, or is licensed to use, all trademarks, tradenames, copyrights, patents and other intellectual property necessary to its business as currently conducted, a correct and complete list of which, as of the Effective Date, is set forth on Schedule 3.05, and the use thereof by each Loan Party and its Subsidiaries does not infringe upon the rights of any other Person, except for such infringements which, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, and, except as set forth on Schedule 3.05, each Loan Party's rights thereto are not subject to any licensing agreement or similar arrangement. Schedule 3.05 sets forth a complete and accurate list of all intellectual property owned by each Loan Party as of the Effective Date. No slogan or other advertising device, product, process, method, substance, part or other material now employed, or now contemplated to be employed, by any Loan Party infringes upon or conflicts with any rights owned by any other Person, and no claim or litigation regarding any of the foregoing is pending or, to the knowledge of any Loan Party, threatened, except for such infringements and conflicts which could not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect.
- SECTION 3.06. <u>Litigation and Environmental Matters</u>. (a) Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.06</u>, there are no actions, suits or proceedings by or before any arbitrator or Governmental Authority (including, without limitation, the FDA) pending against or, to the knowledge of any Loan Party, threatened against or affecting any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries (i) as to which there is a reasonable possibility of an adverse determination and that, if adversely determined, could reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to result in a Material Adverse Effect or (ii) that involve the Loan Documents.
- (b) Except for the matters disclosed on <u>Schedule 3.06</u>, (i) no Loan Party or any Subsidiary has received notice of any claim with respect to any Environmental Liability that, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in liability to the Loan Parties in excess of \$10,000,000 in the aggregate and (ii) except with respect to any other matters that, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in liability to the Loan Parties in excess of \$10,000,000 in the aggregate, no Loan Party nor any Subsidiary (1) has failed to comply with any Environmental Law or to obtain, maintain or comply with any permit, license or other approval required under any Environmental Law or (2) has become subject to any Environmental Liability or knows of any basis for any Environmental Liability.
- SECTION 3.07. <u>Compliance with Laws and Agreements</u>. Each Loan Party and its Subsidiaries is in compliance with all Requirements of Law applicable to it or its property and all indentures, agreements and other instruments binding upon it or its property, except where the failure to do so, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. No Default has occurred and is continuing.

SECTION 3.08. <u>Investment Company Status; Margin Stock.</u> No Loan Party or any Subsidiary is an "investment company" as defined in, or subject to regulation under, the Investment Company Act of 1940. No Loan Party or any Subsidiary is engaged in the business of extending credit for the purpose of, and no proceeds of any Loan or other extensions of credit hereunder will be used for the purpose of, buying or carrying margin stock (within the meaning of Regulation U of the Federal Reserve Board) or extending credit to others for the purpose of purchasing or carrying any such margin stock, in each case in contravention of Regulation T, U or X of the Federal Reserve Board.

SECTION 3.09. Taxes. Each Loan Party and its Subsidiaries has timely filed or caused to be filed all Federal, state and other material Tax returns and other material reports required to have been filed and has paid or caused to be paid all Taxes required to have been paid by it, except Taxes that are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings and for which such Loan Party or such Subsidiary, as applicable, has set aside on its books adequate reserves. No tax liens have been filed and no claims are being asserted with respect to any such taxes, other than Permitted Encumbrances.

SECTION 3.10. ERISA. No ERISA Event has occurred or is reasonably expected to occur that, when taken together with all other such ERISA Events for which liability is reasonably expected to occur, could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. All minimum required contributions (within the meaning of Section 430 of the Code) have been timely made with respect to each Plan. Each employee benefit pension plan (within the meaning of Section 3(2) of ERISA) maintained or sponsored by a Loan Party, or under which a Loan Party has any liability, which is intended to be qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code, has received a favorable determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service with respect to such qualification, and, except as could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, no event or condition exists which could reasonably be expected to jeopardize such qualified status. Except as could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, no Loan Party has any obligation to provide post-retirement health care benefits to any individual other than as required under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, or other similar state law.

SECTION 3.11. <u>Disclosure</u>. Each Loan Party has disclosed to the Lenders all agreements, instruments and corporate or other restrictions to which it or any of its Subsidiaries is subject, and all other matters known to it, that, individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. None of the reports, financial statements, certificates or other information furnished by or on behalf of any Loan Party to the Administrative Agent or any Lender in connection with the negotiation of this Agreement or any other Loan Document (as modified or supplemented by other information so furnished) contains any material misstatement of fact or omits to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading in any material respect; <u>provided</u> that, with respect to projected financial information, the Loan Parties each represent only that such information was prepared in good faith based upon assumptions believed to be reasonable at the time delivered and, if such projected financial information was delivered prior to the Effective Date, as of the Effective Date.

SECTION 3.12. <u>Material Agreements</u>. No Loan Party is in default in the performance, observance or fulfillment of any of the obligations, covenants or conditions contained in any agreement or contract listed on Schedule 3.12.

- SECTION 3.13. Solvency. (a) Immediately after the consummation of the Transactions to occur on the Effective Date, (i) the fair value of the assets of each Loan Party, at a fair valuation, will exceed its debts and liabilities, subordinated, contingent or otherwise; (ii) the present fair saleable value of the property of each Loan Party will be greater than the amount that will be required to pay the probable liability of its debts and other liabilities, subordinated, contingent or otherwise, as such debts and other liabilities become absolute and matured; (iii) each Loan Party will be able to pay its debts and liabilities, subordinated, contingent or otherwise, as such debts and liabilities become absolute and matured; and (iv) no Loan Party will have unreasonably small capital with which to conduct the business in which it is engaged as such business is now conducted and is proposed to be conducted after the Effective Date.
- (b) No Loan Party intends to, or will permit any Subsidiary to, and no Loan Party believes that it or any Subsidiary will, incur debts beyond its ability to pay such debts as they mature, taking into account the timing of and amounts of cash to be received by it or any such Subsidiary and the timing of the amounts of cash to be payable on or in respect of its Indebtedness or the Indebtedness of any such Subsidiary.
- SECTION 3.14. <u>Insurance</u>. As of the Effective Date, <u>Schedule 3.14</u> sets forth a description of all insurance maintained by or on behalf of the Loan Parties and the Subsidiaries, and all premiums due and owing in respect of such insurance have been paid. The Borrowers and Holdings believe that the insurance maintained by or on behalf of Holdings and its Subsidiaries is accurate.
- SECTION 3.15. <u>Capitalization and Subsidiaries.</u> <u>Schedule 3.15</u> sets forth (a) a true and complete listing of each class of each Loan Party's and Subsidiary's authorized Equity Interests and the holders thereof; <u>provided</u> that with respect to Holdings, <u>Schedule 3.15</u> only lists those holders owning at least 5% of the Equity Interests of Holdings as of the Effective Date, and (b) the type of entity and jurisdiction of organization of Holdings and each of its Subsidiaries. All of the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of each Loan Party and the Subsidiaries have been duly authorized and issued and are fully paid and non-assessable and, except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.15</u>, no holder of such Equity Interest is entitled to any preemptive, first refusal or other similar rights.
- SECTION 3.16. Security Interest in Collateral. The provisions of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents create legal and valid Liens on all the Collateral in favor of the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Collateral Agent and the Secured Parties, and such Liens constitute perfected and continuing Liens on the Collateral, securing the Secured Obligations, enforceable against the applicable Loan Party and all third parties, and having priority over all other Liens on the Collateral except in the case of (a) Liens permitted by Section 6.02, to the extent any such Liens (to the extent permitted by Section 6.02) would have priority over the Liens in favor of the Collateral Agent pursuant to any applicable law or agreement, (b) Liens perfected only by possession (including possession of any certificate of title) to the extent the Collateral Agent has not obtained or does not maintain possession of such Collateral, (c) Liens on intellectual property perfected only by making filings with the applicable Governmental Authority to the extent such filings have not been made, (d) assets subject to certificates of title, (e) Excluded Assets, (f) letter-of-credit rights with respect to letters of credit in an amount, in each case, of less than \$1,000,000.
- SECTION 3.17. <u>Employment Matters</u>. As of the Effective Date, there are no strikes, lockouts or slowdowns against any Loan Party or any Subsidiary pending or, to the knowledge of the Borrowers, threatened. The hours worked by and payments made to employees of the Loan Parties and the Subsidiaries have not been in violation of the Fair Labor Standards Act or any other applicable Federal, state, local or foreign law dealing with such matters, except to the extent the failure to so comply with such acts and laws could not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. All payments due from any Loan Party or any Subsidiary, or for which any claim may be made against any Loan Party or any Subsidiary, on account of wages and employee health and welfare insurance and other benefits, have been paid or accrued as a liability on the books of the Loan Party or such Subsidiary.

- SECTION 3.18. <u>Nature of Business; Permits and Licenses; Tradenames</u>. (a) No Loan Party or Subsidiary is engaged in any business other than those engaged in on the Effective Date and those reasonably related, complementary or ancillary thereto or a logical extension thereof (including, without limitation, food and beverage service, distribution, wholesale and retail).
- (b) Each Loan Party has, and is in compliance with, all Governmental Permits and all permits, licenses, authorizations, approvals, entitlements and accreditations required for such Person lawfully to own, lease, manage or operate, or to acquire, each business currently owned, leased, managed or operated, or to be acquired, by such Person, except to the extent that the failure to have or be in compliance with all such Governmental Permits, permits, licenses, authorizations, approvals, entitlements and accreditations could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. No condition exists or event has occurred which, in itself or with the giving of notice or lapse of time or both, would result in the suspension, revocation, impairment, forfeiture or non-renewal of any such permit, license, authorization, approval, entitlement or accreditation, except that could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, and there is no claim that any thereof is not in full force and effect.
- (c) As of the Effective Date, <u>Schedule 3.18</u> hereto sets forth a complete and accurate list of all trade names, business names or similar appellations used by each Loan Party or Subsidiary or any of their divisions or other business units during the past five years.
- SECTION 3.19. <u>Location of Bank Accounts</u>. As of the Effective Date, <u>Schedule 3.19</u> sets forth a complete and accurate list of all deposit, checking and other bank accounts, all securities and other accounts maintained with any broker dealer and all other similar accounts maintained by or for the benefit of each Loan Party and Subsidiary, together with a description thereof (i.e., the bank or broker dealer at which such deposit or other account is maintained and the account number and the purpose thereof).

SECTION 3.20. [Intentionally Omitted].

SECTION 3.21. <u>Customers and Suppliers</u>. There exists no actual or, to the knowledge of any Loan Party, threatened termination, cancellation or limitation of, or modification to or change in, the business relationship between (1) any Loan Party, on the one hand, and any customer or any group thereof, on the other hand, whose agreements with any Loan Party are individually or in the aggregate material to the business or operations of such Loan Party, or (2) any Loan Party, on the one hand, and any material supplier thereof, on the other hand, except, under <u>clauses (i)</u> or <u>(ii)</u>, as could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and, to the knowledge of each Loan Party, there exists no present state of facts or circumstances that could give rise to or result in any such termination, cancellation, limitation, modification or change, except, in each case, as could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

SECTION 3.22. <u>Affiliate Transactions</u>. Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.22</u>, as of the Effective Date, there are no existing or proposed agreements, understandings, or transactions between any Loan Party and any of the officers, members, managers, directors, stockholders, parents, other interest holders, employees, or Affiliates (other than Subsidiaries) of any Loan Party or any members of their respective immediate families, and none of the foregoing Persons are directly or indirectly indebted to or have any direct or indirect ownership, partnership, or voting interest in any Affiliate of any Loan Party or any Person with which any Loan Party has a business relationship or which competes with any Loan Party (except that any such Persons may own stock in (but not exceeding 2.0% of the outstanding Equity Interests of) any publicly traded company that may compete with a Loan Party.

SECTION 3.23. <u>Common Enterprise</u>. The successful operation and condition of each of the Loan Parties is dependent on the continued successful performance of the functions of the group of the Loan Parties as a whole and the successful operation of each of the Loan Parties is dependent on the successful performance and operation of each other Loan Party. Each Loan Party expects to derive benefit (and its board of directors or other governing body has determined that it may reasonably be expected to derive benefit), directly and indirectly, from (i) successful operations of each of the other Loan Parties and (ii) the credit extended by the Lenders to the Borrowers hereunder, both in their separate capacities and as members of the group of companies. Each Loan Party has determined that execution, delivery, and performance of this Agreement and any other Loan Documents to be executed by such Loan Party is within its purpose, in furtherance of its direct and/or indirect business interests, will be of direct and/or indirect benefit to such Loan Party, and is in its best interest.

SECTION 3.24. <u>Foreign Assets Control Regulations and Anti-Money Laundering</u>. Each Loan Party and Subsidiary is and will remain in compliance in all material respects with all U.S. economic sanctions laws, executive orders and implementing regulations as promulgated by the U.S. Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control ("<u>OFAC</u>"), and all applicable anti-money laundering and counter-terrorism financing provisions of the Bank Secrecy Act and all regulations issued pursuant to it. No Loan Party and no Subsidiary or Affiliate of a Loan Party (i) is a Person designated by the U.S. government on the list of the Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons (the "<u>SDN List</u>") with which a U.S. Person cannot deal with or otherwise engage in business transactions, (ii) is a Person who is otherwise the target of U.S. economic sanctions laws such that a U.S. Person cannot deal or otherwise engage in business transactions with such Person or (iii) is controlled by (including without limitation by virtue of such person being a director or owning voting shares or interests), or acts, directly or indirectly, for or on behalf of, any person or entity on the SDN List or a foreign government that is the target of U.S. economic sanctions prohibitions such that the entry into, or performance under, this Agreement or any other Loan Document would be prohibited under U.S. law.

SECTION 3.25. <u>Patriot Act</u>. The Loan Parties, the Subsidiaries and each of their Affiliates are in compliance with (a) the Trading with the Enemy Act, and each of the foreign assets control regulations of the United States Treasury Department (31 CFR, Subtitle B Chapter V, as amended) and any other enabling legislation or executive order relating thereto, (b) the Act and (c) other federal or state laws relating to "*know your customer*" and anti-money laundering rules and regulations. No part of the proceeds of any Loan will be used directly or indirectly for any payments to any government official or employee, political party, official of a political party, candidate for political office, or anyone else acting in an official capacity, in order to obtain, retain or direct business or obtain any improper advantage, in violation of the United States Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977.

SECTION 3.26. FDA Matters.

(a) Except as noted in <u>paragraph (b)</u>, Borrowers, their Subsidiaries and the operation of their respective food facilities in the United States are in compliance with and are not in violation of all applicable Requirements of Law (including the FDC Act), regulations, rules, standards, guidelines, policies, and orders administered or issued by the FDA or any comparable Governmental Authority (including, without limitation, as applicable, the Bioterrorism Act (21 CFR 1.326-1.368), prohibited cattle materials (21 CFR 189.5), import notification requirements (21 CFR 1.276-1.285)), except for failures to comply or violations that, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

- (b) Since December 25, 2015, no Governmental Authority has served notice on any Loan Party or its Subsidiaries that the business or the assets of the Loan Parties or their Subsidiaries, may be, or are in material violation of any Requirement of Law or the subject of any material investigation, except for violations or investigations that, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- (c) Since December 25, 2015, no Loan Party or its Subsidiaries has received notice from any Governmental Authority nor does any Loan Party have any knowledge that there are any circumstances currently existing which would be reasonably likely to lead to any loss of or refusal to renew any material governmental licenses, permits, registrations, product registrations, Governmental Permits, approvals, authorizations related to the business and that the terms of all such licenses, permits, registrations, product registrations, governmental permits, approvals, and authorizations currently in force, except for any notice or circumstance that, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- (d) The Loan Parties have no knowledge of any acts with respect to their food business or products that furnish a reasonable basis for a warning letter, untitled letter, Section 305 notice, or other similar communication from FDA or any Governmental Authority, except for any acts that, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- (e) The Loan Parties have no knowledge of any existing obligation of a Loan Party arising under any administrative or regulatory action, FDA inspection, FDA warning letter, FDA notice of violation letter, or other notice, response or commitment made to or with FDA or any Governmental Authority with respect to their food and food product business, except for any acts that, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result a Material Adverse Effect.

ARTICLE IV

CONDITIONS

SECTION 4.01. <u>Effective Date</u>. The obligations of the Lenders to make Loans hereunder shall not become effective until the date on which each of the following conditions is satisfied (or waived in accordance with <u>Section 9.02</u>):

- (a) The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received (i) from each party hereto either (A) a counterpart of this Agreement signed on behalf of such party or (B) written evidence satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (which may include telecopy or electronic transmission of a signed signature page of this Agreement) that such party has signed a counterpart of this Agreement and (ii) duly executed copies of the other Loan Documents and such other legal opinions, certificates, documents, instruments and agreements as the Administrative Agent shall reasonably request in connection with the Transactions, all in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and its counsel and as further described in the list of closing documents attached as Exhibit D.
- (b) The Administrative Agent shall have received a favorable written opinion (addressed to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders and dated the Effective Date) of Shearman & Sterling LLP and other applicable local counsel for the Loan Parties in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent. The Borrowers hereby request such counsel to deliver such opinion.

(c)	The Administrative Agent shall have received such documents and certificates as the Administrative Agent or its counsel may
reasonably request relating t	o the organization, existence and good standing of the initial Loan Parties, the authorization of the Transactions and any other
legal matters relating to such	Loan Parties, the Loan Documents or the Transactions, all in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and its
counsel and as further descri	ped in the list of closing documents attached as <u>Exhibit D</u> .

- (d) The Administrative Agent shall have received a certificate, dated the Effective Date and signed by the President, a Vice President or a Financial Officer of the Borrower Representative, certifying (i) that the representations and warranties contained in the Loan Documents are true and correct in all material respects (provided that any representation or warranty that is qualified by materiality or Material Adverse Effect shall be true and correct in all respects) as of such date except to the extent that such representations and warranties specifically refer to an earlier date, in which case they are true and correct in all material respects (or, in the case of any representation or warranty qualified by materiality or Material Adverse Effect, in all respects) as of such earlier date; and (ii) that no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing as of such date.
- (e) The Administrative Agent shall have (i) entered into the Intercreditor Agreement with the ABL Agent and the Loan Parties and (ii) received evidence reasonably satisfactory to it that (x) each of the conditions precedent (other than the effectiveness of this Agreement) for the effectiveness of the ABL Loan Documents has been satisfied and (y) the lenders under the ABL Loan Documents have committed to provide Holdings and/or its Subsidiaries with loans in an aggregate gross principal amount equal to \$75,000,000 pursuant to the asset-based lending facility evidenced by the ABL Loan Documents. Each such ABL Loan Document shall be in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.
- (f) The Administrative Agent shall have received pay-off letters in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent in respect of (i) the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of April 17, 2013, by and among Dairyland USA Corporation, The Chefs' Warehouse Mid-Atlantic, LLC, Bel Canto Foods, LLC, The Chefs' Warehouse West Coast, LLC, and The Chefs' Warehouse of Florida, LLC, as borrowers, the other loan parties thereto, the lenders party thereto, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent, as amended, and (ii) that certain Note Purchase and Guarantee Agreement dated as of April 17, 2013 by and among the Loan Parties party thereto and the purchasers named therein, in each case, confirming that all Liens upon any of the property of the Loan Parties constituting Collateral will be terminated concurrently with the payment of existing Indebtedness thereunder from the proceeds of the initial Borrowing and the initial borrowing under the ABL Facility on the Effective Date.
- (g) The Administrative Agent shall have received all fees and other amounts due and payable on or prior to the Effective Date, including, to the extent invoiced at least one (1) Business Day prior to the Effective Date, reimbursement or payment of all out-of-pocket expenses required to be reimbursed or paid by the Borrowers hereunder.

The Administrative Agent shall notify the Borrower Representative and the Lenders of the Effective Date, and such notice shall be conclusive and binding.

SECTION 4.02. <u>Each Credit Event</u>. The obligation of each Lender to make a Loan on the occasion of any Borrowing is subject to the satisfaction of the following conditions (unless waived or otherwise agreed by each such Lender):

(a) Except as otherwise expressly contemplated by <u>Sections 1.04(c)</u> and <u>2.20</u> , the representations and warranties of the Loan Partie
contained in the Loan Documents are true and correct in all material respects (provided that any representation or warranty that is qualified by materiality o
Material Adverse Effect shall be true and correct in all respects) on and as of the date of such Borrowing, except to the extent that such representations and
warranties specifically refer to an earlier date, in which case they are true and correct in all material respects (or, in the case of any representation or warranty
qualified by materiality or Material Adverse Effect, in all respects) as of such earlier date.

(b) Except as otherwise expressly contemplated by $\underline{\text{Sections 1.04(c)}}$ and $\underline{\text{2.20}}$, at the time of and immediately after giving effect to such Borrowing, no Default shall have occurred and be continuing.

The request for and acceptance of each Borrowing shall be deemed to constitute a representation and warranty by the Borrowers on the date thereof as to the matters specified in <u>paragraphs (a)</u> and (b) of this Section.

SECTION 4.03. <u>Delayed Draw Term Loans</u>. The obligation of each DDTL Lender to make a Delayed Draw Term Loan is subject to the satisfaction of the following conditions (in addition to those set forth in <u>Section 4.02</u> above) (unless waived by the Required DDTL Lenders and the Required Lenders):

- (a) (i) the Total Leverage Ratio would not exceed 4.90:1.00 calculated on a pro forma basis (including the application of the proceeds of any Delayed Draw Term Loans) as of the last day of the most recent Fiscal Quarter for which financial statements shall have been delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(a) or 5.01(b) (or, prior to the delivery of any such financial statements, as of the last Fiscal Quarter included in the financial statements referred to in Section 3.04(a)) and (ii) the Borrower Representative shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent a certificate of a Financial Officer of Holdings, setting forth reasonably detailed calculations demonstrating the satisfaction of the condition appearing in clause (i) above; and
- (b) the Administrative Agent shall have received a certificate, dated the date of the applicable Borrowing and signed by the President, a Vice President or a Financial Officer of the Borrower Representative, certifying (i) that, except as otherwise expressly contemplated by Sections 1.04(c), the representations and warranties contained in the Loan Documents are true and correct in all material respects (provided that any representation or warranty that is qualified by materiality or Material Adverse Effect shall be true and correct in all respects) as of such date except to the extent that such representations and warranties specifically refer to an earlier date, in which case they are true and correct in all material respects (or, in the case of any representation or warranty qualified by materiality or Material Adverse Effect, in all respects) as of such earlier date, (ii) that, except as otherwise expressly contemplated by Sections 1.04(c), no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing as of such date, (iii) that the proceeds from the applicable Borrowing shall be used in accordance with the terms of Section 5.08 and (iv) if applicable, as to the name of the target of, or the seller of the assets that are being acquired in connection with, the Permitted Acquisition being funded by such Delayed Draw Term Loans; and

The request for and acceptance of each Delayed Draw Term Loan Borrowing shall be deemed to constitute a representation and warranty by the Borrowers on the date thereof as to the matters specified in this Section.

ARTICLE V

AFFIRMATIVE COVENANTS

Until the DDTL Commitments have expired or been terminated and the principal of and interest on each Loan and all fees payable hereunder have been paid in full (other than contingent indemnification obligations for which no claim has been made), in any case, in a manner acceptable to Administrative Agent in its sole discretion, each Loan Party executing this Agreement covenants and agrees, jointly and severally with all of the other Loan Parties, with the Lenders that:

SECTION 5.01. Financial Statements and Other Information. The Borrowers will furnish to the Administrative Agent and each

- (a) within ninety (90) days after the end of each Fiscal Year of Holdings and its Subsidiaries, its audited consolidated balance sheet and related statements of operations, stockholders' equity and cash flows as of the end of and for Fiscal Year, setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the previous Fiscal Year, all reported on by independent public accountants of recognized national standing selected by Holdings and reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (without a "going concern" or like qualification or exception and without any qualification or exception as to the scope of such audit) to the effect that such consolidated financial statements present fairly in all material respects the financial condition and results of operations of Holdings and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP consistently applied, accompanied by any management letter prepared by said accountants;
- (b) within forty-five (45) days after the end of each of the first three Fiscal Quarters of each Fiscal Year, its consolidated balance sheet and related statements of operations and consolidated statements of cash flows as of the end of and for such Fiscal Quarter and the then elapsed portion of such Fiscal Year, setting forth in comparative form the actual figures for the corresponding period or periods of (or, in the case of the balance sheet, as of the end of) the previous Fiscal Year;
- (c) concurrently with any delivery of financial statements under <u>clause (a)</u> or (b) above, a Financials Certificate (i) certifying, in the case of the financial statements delivered under <u>clause (b)</u>, as presenting fairly in all material respects the financial condition and results of operations of Holdings and its consolidated Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP consistently applied, subject to normal year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes, (ii) certifying as to whether a Default has occurred and, if a Default has occurred, specifying the details thereof and any action taken or proposed to be taken with respect thereto, (iii) stating whether any change in GAAP or in the application thereof has occurred since the date of the audited financial statements referred to in <u>Section 3.04</u> and, if any such change has occurred, specifying the effect of such change on the financial statements accompanying such certificate and (iv) that is accompanied by updated versions of the Schedules to the Security Agreement, as required under <u>Section 4.16</u> of the Security Agreement; <u>provided</u> that, if there have been no changes to any such Schedules since the previous updating thereof, it shall be indicated that there has been "no change" to the applicable Schedule(s);
 - (d) [Intentionally Omitted];

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(e) as soon as available but in any event no later than 30 days after the commencement of each Fiscal Year of Holdings, a copy of the plan and forecast (including a projected consolidated balance sheet, income statement and funds flow statement) of Holdings and its Subsidiaries for each Fiscal Quarter of such Fiscal Year (the "<u>Projections</u>") in form reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (including the Fiscal Month end dates for such Fiscal Year);

((f)	[Intentionally	Omitted [*]	l:

- (g) (i) promptly after the same become publicly available (but in no event later than one (1) Business Day after filing any quarterly reports), notice that any periodic and other reports, proxy statements and other materials have been filed by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary with the SEC, or any Governmental Authority succeeding to any or all of the functions of the SEC, or with any national securities exchange, or copies of any materials otherwise distributed by any Loan Party to its shareholders generally, as the case may be and (ii) promptly after the sending thereof, a copy of each financial statement, report, notice or proxy statement sent by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary to the ABL Agent under the ABL Facility;
- (h) promptly after submission to any Governmental Authority, all documents and information furnished to such Governmental Authority in connection with any investigation of any Loan Party other than routine inquiries by such Governmental Authority, except to the extent any such documents or information are subject to attorney-client privilege or attorney work-product privilege; provided, however, for the sake of clarity, it is the intent of the Loan Parties that the disclosure of such documents or information to the Administrative Agent or any Lender shall not, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be deemed to waive any attorney-client privilege, attorney work-product or other applicable legal privilege or immunity that could otherwise be asserted against any third parties that are not parties to this Agreement;
- (i) promptly upon receipt thereof, copies of all financial reports (including, without limitation, management letters), if any, submitted to any Loan Party by its auditors in connection with any annual or interim audit of the books thereof; and
- (j) promptly following any reasonable request therefor, such other information regarding the operations, business affairs and financial condition of the Loan Parties or any Subsidiary, or compliance with the terms of this Agreement, as the Administrative Agent or any Lender may reasonably request.

Documents required to be delivered pursuant to <u>clauses (a)</u>, (b) and (g) of this <u>Section 5.01</u> may be delivered electronically and if so delivered, shall be deemed to have been delivered on the date on which such documents are filed for public availability on the SEC's Electronic Data Gathering and Retrieval System; <u>provided</u> that the Borrower Representative shall notify (which may be by facsimile or electronic mail) the Administrative Agent of the filing of any such documents and provide to the Administrative Agent by electronic mail electronic versions (i.e., soft copies) of such documents. Notwithstanding anything contained herein, in every instance the Borrower Representative shall be required to provide paper copies of the Financials Certificates required by clause (c) of this Section 5.01 to the Administrative Agent.

SECTION 5.02. <u>Notices of Material Events</u>. The Loan Parties will furnish to the Administrative Agent and each Lender prompt (but in any event within any time period that may be specified below) written notice of the following:

- (a) within three (3) Business Days after any Authorized Officer of a Loan Party knows of the occurrence of a Default, the occurrence of any Default;
- (b) the filing or commencement of any action, suit or proceeding by or before any arbitrator or Governmental Authority against or affecting any Loan Party or any Affiliate thereof in which the amount involved (not covered by an unaffiliated insurance carrier that has not denied coverage) is greater than \$5,000,000 and that, if adversely determined, could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect;

- (c) any Lien (other than Liens permitted by <u>Section 6.02</u>) or claim made or asserted against any of the Collateral;
- (d) the occurrence of any ERISA Event that, alone or together with any other ERISA Events that have occurred, could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect;
 - (e) within ten (10) days after receipt thereof, copies of any Form FDA-483 and all responses to Form FDA-483 observations; and
 - (f) any other development that results in, or could reasonably be expected to result in, a Material Adverse Effect.

Each notice delivered under this Section shall be accompanied by a statement of a Financial Officer or other executive officer of the Borrower Representative setting forth the details of the event or development requiring such notice and any action taken or proposed to be taken with respect thereto.

SECTION 5.03. Existence; Conduct of Business. Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, (a) do or cause to be done all things necessary to preserve, renew and keep in full force and effect its legal existence and the rights, qualifications, licenses, permits, franchises, governmental authorizations, intellectual property rights, licenses and permits material to the conduct of its business, and maintain all requisite authority to conduct its business in each jurisdiction in which its business is conducted, in each case, except where the failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect; provided that the foregoing shall not prohibit any merger, consolidation, liquidation or dissolution permitted under Section 6.03, and (b) carry on and conduct its business in substantially the same manner and in substantially the same fields of enterprise (including, without limitation, food and beverage service, distribution, wholesale or retail) as it is on the Effective Date.

SECTION 5.04. <u>Payment of Obligations</u>. Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, pay or discharge all Material Indebtedness and all other material liabilities and obligations, including Taxes, before the same shall become delinquent or in default, except (a) where (i) the validity or amount thereof is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings, (ii) such Loan Party or Subsidiary has set aside on its books adequate reserves with respect thereto in accordance with GAAP and (iii) the failure to make payment pending such contest could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect or (b) with respect to Restricted Payments.

SECTION 5.05. <u>Maintenance of Properties</u>. Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, keep and maintain all tangible property material to the conduct of its business in good working order and condition, ordinary wear and tear and casualty excepted.

SECTION 5.06. <u>Books and Records; Inspection Rights.</u> Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, (a) keep proper books of record and account in which full, true and correct entries are made of all dealings and transactions in relation to its business and activities and (b) permit any representatives designated by either Agent or any Lender (including employees of either Agent, any Lender or any consultants, accountants, lawyers and appraisers retained by either Agent), upon reasonable prior notice and without unreasonable disruption to the business of the Loan Parties, to visit and inspect its properties, to examine and make extracts from its books and records, and to discuss its affairs, finances and condition with its officers and independent accountants, all at such reasonable times and as often as reasonably requested; <u>provided</u> that, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, unless an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Loan Parties shall not be required to reimburse the Agents for more than two (2) such visits and inspections per calendar year. Each Loan Party acknowledges that either Agent, after exercising its rights of inspection, may prepare and distribute to the Lenders certain reports pertaining to Holdings and its Subsidiaries' assets for internal use by the Agents and the Lenders.

SECTION 5.07. <u>Compliance with Laws</u>. Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, comply with all Requirements of Law applicable to it or its property, except where the failure to do so, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

SECTION 5.08. <u>Use of Proceeds</u>. The proceeds of the initial Term Loans will be used only to repay existing Indebtedness, pay transaction costs, fees and expenses associated with this Agreement and the Transactions, to pay for Capital Expenditures and Permitted Acquisitions and to fund the working capital needs, and for general corporate purposes of the Borrowers and their Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business. The proceeds of the Delayed Draw Term Loans will be used to pay for Permitted Acquisitions (including to repay existing Indebtedness in connection therewith). The proceeds of the Incremental Term Loans will be used to pay for Permitted Acquisitions (including to repay existing Indebtedness in connection therewith) and for general corporate purposes of the Borrowers and their Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business. No part of the proceeds of any Loan will be used, whether directly or indirectly, for any purpose that entails a violation of any of the Regulations of the Board, including Regulations T, U and X.

SECTION 5.09. Insurance. Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, maintain with financially sound and reputable carriers having a financial strength rating of at least A- by A.M. Best Company (a) insurance in such amounts and against such risks (including loss or damage by fire and loss in transit; theft, burglary, pilferage, larceny, embezzlement, and other criminal activities; business interruption; and general liability) and such other hazards, as is customarily maintained by companies of established repute engaged in the same or similar businesses operating in the same or similar locations and (b) all insurance required pursuant to the Collateral Documents. The Borrowers will furnish to the Lenders, upon request of either Agent, information in reasonable detail as to the insurance so maintained and, on or prior to the Effective Date, certificates of insurance summarizing the insurance policies of the Loan Parties. Each such policy of insurance shall (i) in the case of each liability policy, name Collateral Agent on behalf of the Secured Parties as an additional insured thereunder as its interests may appear and (ii) in the case of each casualty insurance policy contain a loss payable clause or endorsement that names Collateral Agent, on behalf of the Secured Parties, as the loss payee thereunder and, to the extent available, provide for at least thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Administrative Agent of any cancellation of such policy (or ten (10) days' prior written notice in the case of cancellation for the failure to pay any premiums thereunder) provided that to the extent that the requirements of this sentence are not satisfied on the Effective Date, the Loan Parties may satisfy such requirements within ninety (90) days of the Effective Date (or such later date as the Administrative Agent may agree in its sole discretion). The Borrower Representative will furnish to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders prompt written notice of any casualty or other insured damage to any material portion of the Collateral or the commencement of any action or proceeding for the taking of any material portion of the Collateral or interest therein under power of eminent domain or by condemnation or similar proceeding.

SECTION 5.10. <u>Casualty and Condemnation</u>. The Borrowers will (a) furnish to the Agents and the Lenders prompt written notice of any casualty or other insured damage to any material portion of the Collateral or the commencement of any action or proceeding for the taking of any material portion of the Collateral or interest therein under power of eminent domain or by condemnation or similar proceeding and (b) ensure that the Net Proceeds of any such event (whether in the form of insurance proceeds, condemnation awards or otherwise) are collected and applied in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Agreement and the Collateral Documents.

SECTION 5.11. [Intentionally Omitted]

SECTION 5.12. [Intentionally Omitted]

SECTION 5.13. Additional Collateral; Further Assurances. (a) Each Borrower and each Subsidiary that is a Loan Party will cause each of its Domestic Subsidiaries that is not a FSHCO formed or acquired after the Effective Date and Dairyland HP at such time as Dairyland HP no longer constitutes an Excluded Subsidiary to become a Loan Party by executing a Joinder Agreement within thirty (30) days (or such later date as may from time to time be approved by the Administrative Agent in its sole discretion, but in no event later than the date such Domestic Subsidiary becomes an obligor or guarantor in respect of the ABL Facility) of such formation, acquisition or disqualification as an Excluded Subsidiary (to the extent such Domestic Subsidiary remains in existence as of such thirtieth day), such Joinder Agreement to be accompanied by appropriate corporate resolutions, other corporate organizational and authorization documentation and legal opinions in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Agents. Upon execution and delivery thereof, each such Person (i) shall automatically become a Loan Guarantor hereunder and thereupon shall have all of the rights, benefits, duties, and obligations in such capacity under the Loan Documents and (ii) will grant Liens to the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Collateral Agent and the other Secured Parties, in any property of such Loan Party which constitutes Collateral, including any real property owned by any Loan Party (other than Excluded Assets). Nothing in this Section 5.13 shall be construed as a consent to form or acquire any Subsidiary after the Effective Date that is not otherwise expressly permitted herein. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, no Foreign Subsidiary of any Loan Party and no FSHCO shall be required to become a Loan Party.

- (b) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Borrower and each Subsidiary that is a Loan Party will (i) cause 100% of the issued and outstanding non-voting Equity Interests and the Applicable Pledge Percentage of the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of each Pledge Subsidiary to be subject at all times to a first priority, perfected Lien in favor of the Collateral Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties, to secure the Secured Obligations in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Collateral Documents or such other security documents as the Collateral Agent shall reasonably request and (ii) deliver Mortgages and Mortgage Instruments with respect to real property owned by such Loan Party with a fair market value in excess of \$5,000,000 (other than with respect to Excluded Assets) to the extent reasonably required by the Collateral Agent, (x) with respect to such real property owned on the Effective Date, within ninety (90) days after the Effective Date and (y) with respect to such real property acquired after the Effective Date, within ninety (90) days after the date such real property is acquired by a Loan Party.
- (c) Without limiting the foregoing, each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, execute and deliver, or cause to be executed and delivered, to the Collateral Agent such documents, agreements and instruments, and will take or cause to be taken such further actions (including the filing and recording of financing statements, fixture filings, mortgages, deeds of trust and other documents and such other actions or deliveries which may be required by any Requirement of Law or which the Collateral Agent may, from time to time, reasonably request to carry out the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents and to ensure perfection and priority of the Liens created or intended to be created by the Collateral Documents, all in form reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and at the expense of the Loan Parties.

(d) If any material assets are acquired by any Loan Party after the Effective Date (other than Excluded Assets or assets constituting				
Collateral under the Security Agreement that become subject to the Lien under the Security Agreement upon the acquisition thereof), the Borrowei				
Representative will take, and cause each Subsidiary that is a Loan Party to take, such actions as shall be necessary or reasonably requested by the Collatera				
Agent to grant and perfect such Liens, including actions described in <u>paragraph (c)</u> of this Section, all at the expense of the Loan Parties.				

- (e) If, at any time after the Effective Date any Subsidiary of Holdings that is not a Loan Party shall become party to a guaranty of, or grant a Lien on any assets (other than Excluded Assets) to secure, the ABL Obligations, any Subordinated Indebtedness or any other Material Indebtedness of Holdings or a Domestic Subsidiary, the Borrower Representative shall promptly notify the Administrative Agent thereof and, within ten (10) days thereof (or such later date as may be agreed upon by the Collateral Agent) cause such Subsidiary to comply with Section 5.13(a) and (b) (but without giving effect to the 30-day grace period provided in Section 5.13(a) and provided, that the grace period in Section 5.13(b)(ii) shall apply).
- (f) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement or any other Loan Document, the Collateral Agent may grant extensions of time for, or waive the requirements to obtain, the creation or perfection of security interests in, or the obtaining of title insurance and surveys with respect to, particular assets (including extensions beyond the Effective Date for the perfection of security interests in the assets of the Loan Parties on such date) where it reasonably determines, in consultation with the Borrowers, that the cost, burden or consequence (including adverse Tax consequences) thereof is excessive in relation to the practical benefit afforded to the Lenders thereby.
- SECTION 5.14. <u>Compliance with Certain Laws</u>. Each Loan Party shall, and each Loan Party shall cause each of its Subsidiaries to, comply with the laws, regulations and executive orders referred to in <u>Section 3.24</u> and <u>3.25</u>.

ARTICLE VI

NEGATIVE COVENANTS

Until the DDTL Commitments have expired or been terminated and the principal of and interest on each Loan and all fees, expenses and other amounts payable under any Loan Document have been paid in full (other than contingent indemnification obligations for which no claim has been made), in any case, in a manner acceptable to Administrative Agent in its sole discretion, each Loan Party executing this Agreement covenants and agrees, jointly and severally with all of the other Loan Parties, with the Lenders that:

SECTION 6.01. <u>Indebtedness.</u> No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Indebtedness, except:

- (a) the Secured Obligations;
- (b) Indebtedness existing on the Effective Date and set forth in <u>Schedule 6.01</u> and extensions, renewals and replacements of any such Indebtedness in accordance with <u>clause</u> (<u>f</u>) hereof;
- Indebtedness of any Loan Party owing to any Subsidiary and of any Subsidiary owing to any Loan Party; <u>provided</u> that, (i) if such Indebtedness is owing by any Subsidiary to any Loan Party, such Indebtedness shall be evidenced by promissory notes or other instruments and such promissory notes or other instruments shall be pledged to the Collateral Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, and have subordination terms satisfactory to the Collateral Agent and (ii) Indebtedness owing by any Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party to any Loan Party shall be subject to the limitations set forth in Section 6.04(d);

(d)	Guarantees by any Loan Party (other than Holdings) of Indebtedness of any other Loan Party (other than Holdings); provided that		
(i) the Indebtedness so Gu	aranteed is permitted by this <u>Section 6.01</u> , and (ii) Guarantees permitted under this <u>clause (d)</u> shall be subordinated to the Secured		
Obligations on the same terms as, and to the extent that, the Indebtedness so Guaranteed is subordinated to the Secured Obligations;			

- (e) Indebtedness of any Borrower or any Subsidiary incurred to finance the acquisition, construction or improvement of any fixed or capital assets (whether or not constituting purchase money Indebtedness), including Capital Lease Obligations and any Indebtedness assumed in connection with the acquisition of any such assets or secured by a Lien on any such assets prior to the acquisition thereof, and extensions, renewals and replacements of any such Indebtedness in accordance with clause(f) hereof; provided that (i) such Indebtedness is incurred prior to or within ninety (90) days after such acquisition or the completion of such construction or improvement and (ii) the aggregate principal amount of Indebtedness permitted by this clause(e) shall not exceed \$10,000,000 at any time outstanding;
- (f) Indebtedness which represents an extension, refinancing or renewal (such Indebtedness being referred to herein as the "Refinancing Indebtedness") of any of the Indebtedness described in clauses (b), (e) and (j) hereof (such Indebtedness being so extended, refinanced or renewed being referred to herein as the "Refinanced Indebtedness"); provided that (i) such Refinancing Indebtedness does not increase the principal amount or interest rate of the Refinanced Indebtedness, (ii) any Liens securing such Refinanced Indebtedness are not extended to any additional property of any Loan Party, (iii) no Loan Party that is not obligated with respect to repayment of such Refinanced Indebtedness is required to become obligated with respect to such Refinancing Indebtedness, (iv) such Refinancing Indebtedness does not result in a shortening of the average weighted maturity of such Refinanced Indebtedness, (v) the maturity date of such Refinancing Indebtedness is no earlier than the maturity date of such Refinanced Indebtedness, (vi) the terms of such Refinanced Indebtedness are not less favorable to the obligor thereunder than the original terms of such Refinanced Indebtedness and (vii) if such Refinanced Indebtedness was subordinated in right of payment to the Secured Obligations, then the terms and conditions of such Refinancing Indebtedness must include subordination terms and conditions that are at least as favorable to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders as those that were applicable to such Refinanced Indebtedness;
- (g) Indebtedness owed to any Person providing workers' compensation, health, disability or other employee benefits or property, casualty or liability insurance, pursuant to reimbursement or indemnification obligations to such Person, in each case incurred in the ordinary course of business;
- (h) Indebtedness of any Borrower or any Subsidiary in respect of performance bonds, bid bonds, statutory bonds, appeal bonds, surety bonds and similar obligations, in each case provided in the ordinary course of business;
- (i) Indebtedness of any Borrower or any Subsidiary in respect of netting services, overdraft protections and otherwise in connection with deposit accounts, so long as such Indebtedness is incurred in the ordinary course of business and is not outstanding for more than three (3) Business Days;

- (i) unsecured Subordinated Indebtedness under any Permitted Convertible Seller Notes in an aggregate principal amount not to (j) exceed \$36,750,000 at any time outstanding and (ii) other unsecured or Subordinated Indebtedness of the Borrowers in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$30,000,000 at any time outstanding plus an unlimited amount so long as (x) the Total Leverage Ratio would not exceed 4.90:1.00 calculated on a pro forma basis (including the application of the proceeds of any such Indebtedness) as of the last day of the most recent Fiscal Quarter for which financial statements shall have been delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(a) or 5.01(b) (or, prior to the delivery of any such financial statements, as of the last Fiscal Quarter included in the financial statements referred to in Section 3.04(a)) and (y) the Borrower Representative shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent a certificate of a Financial Officer of Holdings, setting forth reasonably detailed calculations demonstrating the satisfaction of the condition appearing in clause (x) above; provided that such Indebtedness shall satisfy each of the following requirements: (1) such Indebtedness matures after, and does not require any scheduled amortization or other scheduled payments of principal prior to, the date that is 91 days after the Maturity Date (it being understood that neither (x) any provision requiring an offer to purchase such Indebtedness as a result of change of control or asset sale or other fundamental change nor (y) any early conversion of any Permitted Convertible Notes in accordance with the terms thereof shall violate the foregoing restriction), (2) such Indebtedness is not guaranteed by any Subsidiary of Holdings other than the Loan Guarantors (which guarantees, if such Indebtedness is subordinated, shall be expressly subordinated to the Secured Obligations on terms not less favorable to the Lenders than the subordination terms of such Subordinated Indebtedness), (3) to the extent any such Indebtedness constitutes Subordinated Indebtedness, such Indebtedness shall be subject to the terms of a customary subordination agreement (and if such Indebtedness is secured, an intercreditor agreement) in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, and (4) to the extent any such Subordinated Indebtedness is secured by the Collateral, the Liens securing such Subordinated Indebtedness shall rank junior to the Liens securing the Secured Obligations;
 - (k) the Dairyland HP Indebtedness;
- (l) Indebtedness incurred under the ABL Facility to the extent such Indebtedness is in compliance with the Intercreditor Agreement; provided that in no event shall any obligor with respect to such Indebtedness not be a Loan Party hereunder;
- (m) Subordinated Indebtedness under Permitted Convertible Notes (other than Permitted Convertible Seller Notes) in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$150,000,000 at any time outstanding;
- (n) Indebtedness incurred to finance Permitted Acquisitions after the Effective Date in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding at any time outstanding the aggregate principal amount set forth under <u>clause (a)</u> of the Incremental Cap (less the aggregate principal amount of any Incremental Term Loans incurred in reliance on <u>clause (a)</u> of the Incremental Cap); <u>provided</u> that (i) no Event of Default exists (or would result therefrom), (ii) if such Indebtedness is borrowed or issued by any Loan Party, it shall not be guaranteed by any Person that is not a Loan Party or secured by any assets other than the Collateral, (iii) such Indebtedness shall not have a shorter Average Life than the remaining Average Life of the then-existing Loans or a maturity date earlier than the Maturity Date, (iv) such Indebtedness shall rank *pari passu* in right of payment with the Secured Obligations, (v) in the case of such Indebtedness of the Loan Parties that is secured on a *pari passu* basis with or junior basis to the Secured Obligations, (x) such Indebtedness shall be subject to an intercreditor agreement reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and (y) in the case of such Indebtedness that is in the form of loans that are secured on a *pari passu* basis with the Secured Obligations, the All-in-Yield for such loans shall be subject to the "most favored nation" requirements set forth in Section 2.22(b)(iii), as applicable; <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that in the case of any such Indebtedness of the Loan Parties that is secured on a junior basis to the Secured Obligations,

- Indebtedness of any Person that becomes a Subsidiary, or is merged into or consolidated with a Subsidiary or Indebtedness assumed in connection with a Permitted Acquisition after the Effective Date, but only to the extent that (A) such Indebtedness existed at the time such Person became a Subsidiary or the assets subject to such Indebtedness were acquired, (B) such Indebtedness was not incurred in contemplation thereof and (C)(i) no Event of Default exists or would result from the consummation of such acquisition and (ii) (x) the Total Leverage Ratio would not exceed 4.90:1.00 calculated on a pro forma basis (as if such acquisition and related incurrence of Indebtedness had occurred on the first day of the relevant period and being deemed to be amortized over the applicable testing period in accordance with its terms) as of the last day of the most recent Fiscal Quarter for which financial statements shall have been delivered pursuant to $\underline{Section 5.01(a)}$ or $\underline{5.01(b)}$ (or, prior to the delivery of any such financial statements, as of the last Fiscal Quarter included in the financial statements referred to in $\underline{Section 3.04(a)}$) and (y) with respect to any Permitted Acquisition for which the Acquisition Consideration is at least \$25,000,000, the Borrower Representative shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent a certificate of a Financial Officer of Holdings, setting forth reasonably detailed calculations demonstrating the satisfaction of the condition appearing in clause (x) above;
- (p) Guarantees entered into in the ordinary course of business of a Loan Party and not in respect of Indebtedness for borrowed money;
- (q) Indebtedness representing deferred compensation to employees, directors or consultants incurred in the ordinary course of business; and
 - (r) other Indebtedness in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$20,000,000 at any time outstanding.

SECTION 6.02. <u>Liens</u>. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, create, incur, assume or permit to exist any Lien on any property or asset now owned or hereafter acquired by it, except:

- (a) Liens created pursuant to any Loan Document;
- (b) Permitted Encumbrances;
- (c) any Lien on any property or asset of any Borrower or any Subsidiary existing on the Effective Date and set forth in <u>Schedule 6.02</u> (including any extensions of any such Liens to the extent the Indebtedness is extended in accordance with <u>Section 6.01</u>); <u>provided</u> that (i) such Lien shall not apply to any other property or asset of such Borrower or Subsidiary and (ii) such Lien shall secure only those obligations which it secures on the Effective Date;

(d) L	ens on fixed or capital assets acquired, constructed or improved by any Borrower or any Subsidiary; provided that (i) such		
security interests secure Indebte	edness permitted by Section 6.01(e), (ii) such security interests and the Indebtedness secured thereby are incurred prior to or		
within ninety (90) days after su	ch acquisition or the completion of such construction or improvement, (iii) the Indebtedness secured thereby does not exceed		
100% of the cost of acquiring,	constructing or improving such fixed or capital assets and (iv) such security interests shall not apply to any other property or		
assets of such Borrower or Subsidiary or any other Borrower or Subsidiary;			

- (e) any Lien existing on any property or asset (other than Accounts and Inventory) prior to the acquisition thereof by any Borrower or any Subsidiary or existing on any property or asset (other than Accounts and Inventory) of any Person that becomes a Loan Party after the Effective Date prior to the time such Person becomes a Loan Party; <u>provided</u> that (i) such Lien is not created in contemplation of or in connection with such acquisition or such Person becoming a Loan Party, as the case may be, (ii) such Lien shall not apply to any other property or assets of the Loan Party and (iii) the obligation secured by such Lien is permitted by <u>Section 6.01</u> and such Lien shall secure only those obligations which it secures on the date of such acquisition (including any extensions or modifications of any such obligations permitted by <u>Section 6.01</u>) or the date such Person becomes a Loan Party, as the case may be;
- (f) Liens of a collecting bank arising in the ordinary course of business under Section 4-208 of the Uniform Commercial Code in effect in the relevant jurisdiction covering only the items being collected upon;
 - (g) Liens arising out of Sale and Leaseback Transactions permitted by <u>Section 6.06</u>;
- (h) Liens granted by a Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party in favor of any Borrower or another Loan Party in respect of Indebtedness owed by such Subsidiary;
 - (i) precautionary UCC financing statements filed in connection with operating leases or consignments;
- (j) non-exclusive licenses and sublicenses of intellectual property or leases or subleases of real property, in each case, granted to third parties in the ordinary course of business not interfering with or adversely affecting the business of the Loan Parties or their Subsidiaries;
- (k) Liens attaching solely to cash earnest money deposits in connection with any letter of intent or purchase agreement in connection with a Permitted Investment or Permitted Acquisition;
- (l) Liens in favor of customs and revenue authorities which secure payments of customs duties in connection with the importation of goods;
- (m) Liens (including the right of set-off) in favor of a bank or other depository institution arising as a matter of law encumbering deposits;
- (n) Liens on property with an aggregate value not exceeding \$5,000,000 that is subject to conditional sale, title retention, consignment or similar arrangements;

- (o) Liens on the Dairyland HP Facility and any other assets of Dairyland HP that secure the Dairyland HP Indebtedness and related obligations under the New Markets Tax Credit Financing;
- (p) the Liens created pursuant to the ABL Loan Documents securing the ABL Obligations, so long as such Liens are subject to the Intercreditor Agreement and that any grantor of such Liens is a Loan Party hereunder;
 - (q) Liens representing any interest of a sublessee arising by virtue of being granted a sublease permitted by <u>Section 6.05(i)</u>;
- (r) Liens securing Indebtedness permitted by <u>Section 6.01(n)</u> or any Indebtedness incurred in connection with a permitted refinancing thereof, in each case so long as such Liens do not have priority to the corresponding Liens that secure the Secured Obligations; and
- (s) other Liens securing obligations in an aggregate principal amount at any time outstanding not to exceed \$5,000,000; provided that in each case, if such Liens secure Indebtedness for borrowed money that is to be secured by the Collateral on a pari passu basis with, or junior basis to, the Liens that secure the Secured Obligations, the agent or other representative for the lenders or holders of any Indebtedness secured under this clause shall have become a party to the Intercreditor Agreement and/or another intercreditor agreement reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent.
- SECTION 6.03. Fundamental Changes. (a) No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, merge into or consolidate with any other Person, or permit any other Person to merge into or consolidate with it, or liquidate or dissolve, except that, if at the time thereof and immediately after giving effect thereto no Event of Default shall have occurred or be continuing, (i) any Loan Party (other than Holdings) or Subsidiary thereof may merge into or consolidate with a Loan Party (other than Holdings) (so long as in the case of a merger or consolidation involving a Loan Party, a Loan Party shall be the surviving entity of such merger or consolidation); (ii) any Loan Party (other than Holdings or any Borrower) or Subsidiary of the Borrowers may liquidate or dissolve into a Loan Party; (iii) any Subsidiary of a Loan Party may merge into or consolidate with a Person that is not a Loan Party (so long as in the case of a merger or consolidation involving a Loan Party, a Loan Party shall be the surviving entity of such merger or consolidation); and (iv) any Subsidiary that is not a Loan Party may liquidate or dissolve if the Loan Party which owns such Subsidiary determines in good faith that such liquidation or dissolution is in the best interest of the Loan Party and is not materially disadvantageous to the Lenders; provided, that (x) any such merger or consolidation hereunder involving a Person that is not a wholly owned Subsidiary immediately prior to such merger or consolidation shall not be permitted unless also permitted by Section 6.04, (y) any such merger or consolidation hereunder involving a Borrower in respect of which such Borrower is not the surviving entity shall not be permitted unless (1) the surviving entity is another Borrower or (2) the surviving entity shall have (A) executed and delivered to the Administrative Agent its assumption of the due and punctual performance and observance of each covenant and condition of this Agreement and each other Loan Document to which any Borrower not surviving such transaction was a party and (B) caused to be delivered to the Administrative Agent an opinion of nationally recognized independent counsel, or other independent counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, to the effect that all agreements or instruments effecting such assumption are enforceable in accordance with their terms and comply with the terms hereof, and (z) immediately after giving effect to any such merger, consolidation or other transaction hereunder, at least one (1) Borrower shall continue to remain in existence.

(b) No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, engage in any business other than businesses of the type conducted by the Borrowers and their Subsidiaries on the Effective Date and businesses reasonably related thereto and logical extensions thereof.

(c) The Loan Parties will not change the method of determining the Fiscal Year of Holdings and its Subsidiaries, unless Borrower Representative shall have given Administrative Agent at least 180 days' prior notice thereof and the parties hereto shall have made appropriate changes to this Agreement (it being acknowledged and agreed that the date of the Fiscal Year end may change by up to ten (10) days from year to year).				
(d) Holdings shall not engage in any business activities or own any property other than (i) ownership of the Equity Interests of the Borrowers, (ii) activities and contractual rights incidental to maintenance of its corporate or organizational existence and status as a public company and (iii) activities relating to the performance of its obligations under the Loan Documents and ABL Loan Documents to which it is a party.				
SECTION 6.04. <u>Investments, Loans, Advances, Guarantees and Acquisitions</u> . No Loan Party will form any subsidiary after the Effective Date, or purchase, hold or acquire (including pursuant to any merger with any Person that was not a Loan Party and a wholly owned Subsidiary prior to such merger) any evidences of indebtedness or Equity Interest of, make or permit to exist any loans or advances to, Guarantee any obligations of, or make or permit to exist any investment or any other interest in, any other Person, or purchase or otherwise acquire (in one transaction or a series of transactions) any assets of any other Person constituting a business unit (whether through purchase of assets, merger or otherwise), or permit any Subsidiary				

- (a) Permitted Investments, subject, to the extent required by the Security Agreement, to control agreements in favor of the Administrative Agent or otherwise subject to a perfected security interest in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Lenders and the other Secured Parties (subject to any grace periods in the Security Agreement for delivering such control agreements or otherwise perfecting such security interest);
 - (b) investments in existence on the Effective Date and described in Schedule 6.04;
- (c) investments by Holdings in the Borrowers and investments by the Borrowers and the Subsidiaries in Equity Interests in their respective Subsidiaries that are Loan Parties; <u>provided</u> that any such Equity Interests shall be pledged in accordance with the Security Agreement (subject to any grace periods therein for perfecting such security interest);
- (d) loans or advances made by any Loan Party to any Subsidiary and made by any Subsidiary to any Loan Party; <u>provided</u> that, not more than an aggregate principal amount of \$6,000,000 in loans and advances may be made and remain outstanding, at any time, by Loan Parties to Subsidiaries which are not Loan Parties;
 - (e) Guarantees constituting Indebtedness permitted by <u>Section 6.01</u>;

to do any of the foregoing, except:

- (f) loans or advances made by a Loan Party to its employees on an arms-length basis in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practices for travel and entertainment expenses, relocation costs and similar purposes up to a maximum of \$2,500,000 in the aggregate at any one time outstanding:
- (g) subject to Sections 4.2(a) and 4.4 of the Security Agreement, notes payable, or stock or other securities issued by Account Debtors to a Loan Party pursuant to negotiated agreements with respect to settlement of such Account Debtor's Accounts in the ordinary course of business, consistent with past practices;

- (h) investments in the form of Swap Agreements permitted by <u>Section 6.07</u>;
- (i) investments of any Person existing at the time such Person becomes a Subsidiary of a Borrower or consolidates or merges with a Borrower or any of the Subsidiaries, in either case, in accordance with the terms hereof (including in connection with a Permitted Acquisition) so long as such investments were not made in contemplation of such Person becoming a Subsidiary or of such merger;
 - (j) investments received in connection with the dispositions of assets permitted by Section 6.05;
 - (k) investments constituting deposits described in <u>clauses (c)</u> and <u>(d)</u> of the definition of the term "Permitted Encumbrances";
 - (l) Permitted Acquisitions;
- (m) Indebtedness permitted pursuant to <u>Section 6.01</u> or any Restricted Payment permitted pursuant to <u>Section 6.08</u>, in each case, to the extent such Indebtedness or Restricted Payment constitutes an investment;
- (n) any investments received in compromise or resolution of (x) obligations of trade creditors or customers incurred in the ordinary course of business of the Borrowers, including pursuant to any plan of reorganization or similar arrangement upon the bankruptcy or insolvency of any trade creditor or customer or (y) litigation, arbitration or other disputes with persons who are not Affiliates; <u>provided</u>, that any such investments shall be pledged in accordance with the Security Agreement (subject to any grace periods therein for perfecting such security interest);
- (o) receivables owing to the Borrowers or any of their respective Subsidiaries created in the ordinary course of business and payable or in accordance with customary trade terms;
- (p) to the extent the same constitute investments, inventory of non-Loan Parties held by the Borrowers for sale subject to consignment or similar arrangements;
 - (q) investments in wholly-owned Domestic Subsidiaries that become Loan Parties in accordance with Section 5.13; and
- (r) other investments and other acquisitions; provided that at the time any such investment or other acquisition is made, the aggregate outstanding amount of all investments made in reliance on this <u>clause (r)</u> (including the aggregate principal amount of all consideration paid in connection with all other acquisitions made in reliance on this <u>clause (r)</u> (including the aggregate principal amount of all Indebtedness assumed in connection with any such other acquisition), shall not exceed the sum of \$5,000,000, plus the Cumulative Retained Excess Cash Flow Amount that is in effect immediately prior to the time of making of such investment or acquisition (<u>provided</u> that the use of the Cumulative Retained Excess Cash Flow Amount to make investments and acquisitions under this <u>clause (r)</u> shall be subject to (i) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would be caused by the making of such investment and (ii) (x) both prior to and after giving effect to such investment or acquisition, the Senior Secured Leverage Ratio shall not exceed 4.20:1.00 as of the last day of the most recent Fiscal Quarter for which financial statements shall have been delivered pursuant to <u>Section 5.01(a)</u> or <u>5.01(b)</u> (or, prior to the delivery of any such financial statements, as of the last Fiscal Quarter included in the financial statements referred to in <u>Section 3.04(a)</u>) and (y) the Borrower Representative shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent a certificate of a Financial Officer of Holdings, setting forth reasonably detailed calculations demonstrating the satisfaction of the condition appearing in <u>clause (x)</u> above).

	SECTION 6.05.	Asset Sales.	No Loan Party will,	nor will it permit a	ny Subsidiary to	, sell, transfer, l	lease or otherw	ise dispose of any
asset, including	any Equity Interes	st owned by it or	income or revenues	(including accoun	ts receivable) o	r rights in resp	ect of any the	reof, nor will any
Borrower or any	Subsidiary issue	any additional Eq	uity Interest (other tl	nan to another Bor	rower or anothe	er Subsidiary in	compliance w	ith Section 6.04),
except:								

- (a) sales, transfers and dispositions of (i) inventory in the ordinary course of business (including inventory held for sale pursuant to Section 6.04(p)), (ii) used, obsolete, worn out or surplus equipment or property in the ordinary course of business, (iii) securities of trade creditors or customers received pursuant to any dispute settlement, plan of reorganization or similar arrangement following the bankruptcy or insolvency of such trade creditor or customer and (iv) intellectual property that is no longer material to the conduct of the business of the Loan Parties;
 - (b) sales, transfers and dispositions of assets to any Borrower or any other Loan Party;
 - (c) sales, transfers and dispositions of accounts receivable in connection with the compromise, settlement or collection thereof;
 - (d) sales, transfers and dispositions of Permitted Investments and other investments permitted by <u>clauses (i)</u> and <u>(k)</u> of <u>Section 6.04</u>;
 - (e) Sale and Leaseback Transactions permitted by <u>Section 6.06</u>;
- (f) dispositions resulting from any casualty or other insured damage to, or any taking under power of eminent domain or by condemnation or similar proceeding of, any property or asset of any Borrower or any Subsidiary;
 - (g) licenses and sublicenses of intellectual property granted in the ordinary course of business;
- (h) sales, transfers and other dispositions of assets (other than Equity Interests in a Subsidiary unless all Equity Interests in such Subsidiary are sold) that are not permitted by any other paragraph of this Section; and
- (i) subleases entered into in the ordinary course of business, to the extent that they do not materially interfere with the business of Holdings and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole;

<u>provided</u> that all sales, transfers, leases and other dispositions permitted hereby (other than those permitted by <u>paragraphs (b)</u> and (<u>f)</u> above and abandonment of intellectual property no longer material to the business of the Loan Parties) shall be made for fair value and for all cash consideration.

SECTION 6.06. <u>Sale and Leaseback Transactions</u>. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, enter into any arrangement, directly or indirectly, whereby it shall sell or transfer any property, real or personal, used or useful in its business, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, and thereafter rent or lease such property or other property that it intends to use for substantially the same purpose or purposes as the property sold or transferred (a "<u>Sale and Leaseback Transaction</u>"), except for any such sale of any fixed or capital assets by the Borrowers or any Subsidiary that is approved by the Required Lenders, made for cash consideration in an amount not less than the fair value of such fixed or capital asset and consummated within ninety (90) days after the Borrowers or such Subsidiary acquire or complete the construction of such fixed or capital asset.

SECTION 6.07. Swap Agreements. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, enter into any Swap Agreement, except (a) Swap Agreements entered into to hedge or mitigate risks to which any Borrower or any Subsidiary has actual exposure (other than those in respect of Equity Interests of any Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries), (b) Swap Agreements entered into in order to effectively cap, collar or exchange interest rates (from floating to fixed rates, from one floating rate to another floating rate or otherwise) with respect to any interest-bearing liability or investment of any Borrower or any Subsidiary and (c) Permitted Call Spread Swap Agreements.

SECTION 6.08. Restricted Payments; Certain Payments of Indebtedness. (a) No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, declare or make, or agree to pay or make, directly or indirectly, any Restricted Payment, or incur any obligation (contingent or otherwise) to do so, except, (x) any Loan Party may make a Permitted Holdings Dividend and (y) so long as no Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or would result therefrom (including after giving effect thereto on a pro forma basis), (i) each of Holdings and the Borrowers may declare and pay dividends with respect to its common stock payable solely in additional shares of its common stock, and, with respect to its preferred stock, payable solely in additional shares of such preferred stock or in shares of its common stock, (ii) Subsidiaries may declare and pay dividends to the Borrowers, (iii) the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries may make Restricted Payments payable solely in the form of their Equity Interests pursuant to and in accordance with employment agreements, bonus plans, stock option plans, or other benefit plans for existing, new and former management, directors, employees and consultants of the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries, (iv) Holdings and its Subsidiaries may make any other Restricted Payment, so long as the aggregate amount of all such Restricted Payments made pursuant to this <u>clause (iv)</u> during any Fiscal Year does not exceed the sum of \$5,000,000 plus the Cumulative Retained Excess Cash Flow Amount that is in effect immediately prior to the time of making of such Restricted Payment (provided that the use of the Cumulative Retained Excess Cash Flow Amount to make Restricted Payments shall be subject to (A) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would be caused by the making of such Restricted Payment and (B) (x) both prior to and after giving effect to such Restricted Payment, the Senior Secured Leverage Ratio shall not exceed 3.25:1.00 as of the last day of the most recent Fiscal Quarter for which financial statements shall have been delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(a) or 5.01(b) (or, prior to the delivery of any such financial statements, as of the last Fiscal Quarter included in the financial statements referred to in Section 3.04(a)) and (y) the Borrower Representative shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent a certificate of a Financial Officer of Holdings, setting forth reasonably detailed calculations demonstrating the satisfaction of the condition appearing in $\underline{\text{clause}(x)}$ above) and (v) Holdings may enter into, exercise its rights and perform its obligations under, Permitted Call Spread Swap Agreements.

- (b) No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, make or agree to pay or make, directly or indirectly, any payment or other distribution (whether in cash, securities or other property) of or in respect of principal of or interest on any Indebtedness, or any payment or other distribution (whether in cash, securities or other property), including any sinking fund or similar deposit, on account of the purchase, redemption, retirement, acquisition, cancellation or termination of any Indebtedness, except:
 - (i) payment of Indebtedness created under the Loan Documents;

- (ii) payment of regularly scheduled interest and principal payments as and when due in respect of any Indebtedness permitted under this Agreement, other than payments in respect of the Subordinated Indebtedness prohibited by the subordination provisions thereof;
 - (iii) payment of intercompany Indebtedness incurred in accordance with <u>Section 6.01</u>;
 - (iv) refinancings of Indebtedness to the extent permitted by Section 6.01;
- (v) payment of secured Indebtedness that becomes due as a result of the voluntary sale or transfer of the property or assets securing such Indebtedness so long as the proceeds of such sale are sufficient to repay such Indebtedness in full;
- (vi) payments made in respect of the sinking fund requirement under the New Markets Tax Credit Financing, so long as (i) after giving effect to such payment, the aggregate amount of all such payments does not exceed the then outstanding principal amount of the Dairyland HP Indebtedness, and (ii) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would be caused by such payment;
- (vii) prepayments or repayments with respect to the Dairyland HP Indebtedness, so long as no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would be caused by such payment;
- (viii) mandatory prepayments and voluntary repayments of Indebtedness under the ABL Facility to the extent not prohibited by the Intercreditor Agreement;
- (ix) issuance of Equity Interests, or making cash payments (in the case of any cash payments in respect of Permitted Convertible Seller Notes, so long as no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would be caused by such payment), in connection with or as part of the conversion, redemption, retirement, prepayment or cancellation of any Permitted Convertible Notes;
- (x) payment of regularly scheduled interest payments in respect of Permitted Convertible Seller Notes permitted pursuant to $\underline{\text{clause (i)}}$ of $\underline{\text{Section 6.01(j)}}$ hereof, so long as no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would be caused by such payment; and
- (xi) any other payments in respect of Subordinated Indebtedness, so long as (i) the aggregate amount of all payments made pursuant to this $\underline{\text{clause }(xi)}$ does not exceed the Cumulative Retained Excess Cash Flow Amount that is in effect immediately prior to the time of making such payment, (ii) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would be caused by such payment and (iii) (x) both prior to and after giving effect to such payment, the Senior Secured Leverage Ratio shall not exceed 3.25:1.00 as of the last day of the most recent Fiscal Quarter for which financial statements shall have been delivered pursuant to $\underline{\text{Section }5.01(a)}$ or $\underline{\text{5.01(b)}}$ (or, prior to the delivery of any such financial statements, as of the last Fiscal Quarter included in the financial statements referred to in $\underline{\text{Section }3.04(a)}$) and (y) the Borrower Representative shall have delivered to the Administrative Agent a certificate of a Financial Officer of Holdings, setting forth reasonably detailed calculations demonstrating the satisfaction of the condition appearing in $\underline{\text{clause }(x)}$ above;

provided, however, that no such payment or distribution shall be made in respect of the ABL Obligations in violation of the Intercreditor Agreement or in respect of any Subordinated Indebtedness in violation of the subordination provisions applicable thereto.

(c) No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, make, directly or indirectly, any Specified Earn-Out Payment, unless no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would be caused by such Specified Earn-Out Payment.

SECTION 6.09. <u>Transactions with Affiliates</u>. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, sell, lease or otherwise transfer any property or assets to, or purchase, lease or otherwise acquire any property or assets from, or otherwise engage in any other transactions with, any of its Affiliates, except (a) transactions that (i) are in the ordinary course of business and (ii) are at prices and on terms and conditions not less favorable to such Loan Party or such Subsidiary than could be obtained on an arm's-length basis from unrelated third parties, (b) transactions between or among any Borrower and any Subsidiary that is a Loan Party not involving any other Affiliate, (c) transactions that are otherwise expressly permitted by the terms of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, (d) transactions set forth on <u>Schedule 3.22</u>; <u>provided</u> that any renewal or extension of the leases set forth on such schedule shall be, in the Borrower Representative's reasonable discretion, on terms no less favorable to the Loan Parties than could be obtained on an arm's-length basis from unrelated parties and (e) the Master Operating Sublease, dated on April 26, 2012, between Dairyland and Dairyland HP, relating to the Dairyland HP Facility, as the same may be amended from time to time.

SECTION 6.10. Restrictive Agreements. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, enter into, incur or permit to exist any agreement or other arrangement that prohibits, restricts or imposes any condition upon (a) the ability of such Loan Party or Subsidiary to create, incur or permit to exist any Lien upon any of its property or assets, or (b) the ability of any Subsidiary to pay dividends or other distributions with respect to any Equity Interests or to make or repay loans or advances to any other Loan Party or Subsidiary or to Guarantee Indebtedness of any other Loan Party or Subsidiary; provided that (i) the foregoing shall not apply to restrictions and conditions imposed by law or by any Loan Document, (ii) the foregoing shall not apply to restrictions and conditions expanding the scope of, any such restriction or condition), (iii) the foregoing shall not apply to customary restrictions and conditions contained in agreements relating to the sale of a Subsidiary pending such sale, provided such restrictions and conditions apply only to the Subsidiary that is to be sold and such sale is permitted hereunder, (iv) clause (a) of the foregoing shall not apply to restrictions or conditions imposed by any agreement relating to secured Indebtedness permitted by this Agreement if such restrictions or conditions apply only to the property or assets securing such Indebtedness as permitted by this Agreement, (v) clause (a) of the foregoing shall not apply to Excluded Assets and customary provisions in leases or licenses restricting the assignment thereof or the grant of a security interest therein, in each case, to the extent such provisions are required by the parties thereto and not bargained for by any Loan Party or Subsidiary, (vi) the foregoing shall not apply to restrictions and conditions contained in agreements relating to Permitted Convertible Notes (excluding Permitted Convertible Seller Notes), and (vii) the foregoing shall not apply to the ABL Loan Documents.

SECTION 6.11. <u>Amendment of Material Documents</u>. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, amend, modify or waive any of its rights under (a) any agreement relating to any Subordinated Indebtedness, except as not prohibited by the intercreditor agreement between the Administrative Agent and the holders of such Indebtedness, (b) its charter, articles or certificate of incorporation or organization, by-laws, operating, management or partnership agreement or other organizational or governing documents, in each case, to the extent any such amendment, modification or waiver would be adverse to the Lenders or (c) any ABL Loan Document, except to the extent not prohibited by the Intercreditor Agreement.

SECTION 6.12. <u>Compliance with Certain Laws</u>. No Loan Party shall, and no Loan Party shall permit any of its Subsidiaries to fail to, comply with the laws, regulations and executive orders referred to in <u>Section 3.24</u> and <u>3.25</u>.

ARTICLE VII

EVENTS OF DEFAULT

If any of the following events (collectively, "Events of Default," and, each, an "Event of Default") shall occur:

- (a) the Borrowers shall fail to pay any principal of any Loan when and as the same shall become due and payable, whether at the due date thereof or at a date fixed for prepayment thereof or otherwise;
- (b) the Borrowers shall fail to pay any interest on any Loan or any fee or any other amount (other than an amount referred to in <u>clause (a)</u> of this Article) payable under this Agreement, when and as the same shall become due and payable, and such failure shall continue unremedied for a period of three (3) Business Days;
- (c) any representation or warranty made or deemed made by or on behalf of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary in, or in connection with, this Agreement or any other Loan Document or any amendment or modification hereof or thereof or waiver hereunder or thereunder, or in any report, certificate, financial statement or other document furnished pursuant to or in connection with this Agreement or any other Loan Document or any amendment or modification hereof or thereof or waiver hereunder or thereunder, shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect when made or deemed made;
- (d) any Loan Party shall fail to observe or perform any covenant, condition or agreement contained in (i) <u>Section 5.02(a)</u>, <u>5.03</u> (with respect to a Loan Party's existence), or in <u>Article VI</u> of this Agreement or (ii) <u>Article IV</u> or <u>VII</u> of the Security Agreement;
- (e) any Loan Party shall fail to observe or perform any covenant, condition or agreement contained (i) in Section 5.08 or 5.10 of this Agreement, and such failure, if capable of being remedied, shall continue unremedied for a period of five (5) days, (ii) in Section 5.02 (other than clause (a)) of this Agreement, and such failure, if capable of being remedied, shall continue unremedied for a period of ten (10) days or (iii) in this Agreement (other than those specified in clause (a), (b), (d) or (e)(i) of this Article) or in the Security Agreement (other than those specified in clause (d) of this Article), and such failure in either case shall continue unremedied for a period of 30 days after the earlier of (x) an Authorized Officer of any Loan Party obtaining actual knowledge of such default and (y) notice thereof from the Administrative Agent to the Borrower Representative;
- (f) any Loan Party or any Subsidiary shall fail to make any payment (whether of principal, or interest, fees or any other amount and regardless of amount) in respect of the ABL Facility or any other Material Indebtedness, when and as the same shall become due and payable (after giving effect to any applicable grace periods);

- after giving effect to any applicable grace periods with respect thereto, any event or condition occurs that results in the ABL Facility or any other Material Indebtedness becoming due prior to its scheduled maturity or that enables or permits the holder or holders of the ABL Facility or any Material Indebtedness or any trustee or agent on its or their behalf to cause any of the ABL Obligations or any Material Indebtedness, as applicable, to become due, or to require the prepayment, repurchase, redemption or defeasance thereof, prior to its scheduled maturity; provided that this clause (g) shall not apply to (x) secured Indebtedness that becomes due as a result of the voluntary sale or transfer of the property or assets securing such Indebtedness in accordance with the terms hereof so long as the proceeds of such sale are sufficient to repay such Indebtedness in full, (y) any redemption, repurchase, conversion or settlement with respect to any Permitted Convertible Notes pursuant to their terms unless such redemption, repurchase, conversion or settlement results from a default thereunder or an event of the type that constitutes an Event of Default or (z) any early payment requirement or unwinding or termination with respect to any Permitted Call Spread Swap Agreement;
- (h) (A) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed seeking (i) liquidation, reorganization or other relief in respect of a Loan Party or any Subsidiary of any Loan Party or its debts, or of a substantial part of its assets, under any Federal, state or foreign bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar law now or hereafter in effect or (ii) the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator or similar official for any Loan Party or any Subsidiary of any Loan Party or for a substantial part of its assets, and, in any such case, such proceeding or petition shall continue undismissed for sixty (60) days or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered or (B) the occurrence of the event described in clause (h) of Article VIII of the ABL Facility (as in effect on the date hereof);
- (i) (A) any Loan Party or any Subsidiary of any Loan Party shall (i) voluntarily commence any proceeding or file any petition seeking liquidation, reorganization or other relief under any Federal, state or foreign bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar law now or hereafter in effect, (ii) consent to the institution of, or fail to contest in a timely and appropriate manner, any proceeding or petition described in <u>clause (h)</u> of this Article, (iii) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator or similar official for such Loan Party or Subsidiary of any Loan Party or for a substantial part of its assets, (iv) file an answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any such proceeding, (v) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors or (vi) take any action for the purpose of effecting any of the foregoing or (B) the occurrence of the event described in clause (i) of Article VIII of the ABL Facility (as in effect on the date hereof);
- (j) any Loan Party or any Subsidiary of any Loan Party shall become unable, admit in writing its inability or fail generally to pay its debts as they become due;
- (k) (i) one or more judgments for the payment of money in an aggregate amount in excess of \$25,000,000, including, without limitation, any such final order enforcing a binding arbitration decision, shall be rendered against any Loan Party, any Subsidiary of any Loan Party or any combination thereof and the same shall remain undischarged for a period of forty-five (45) consecutive days during which execution shall not be effectively stayed, or any action shall be legally taken by a judgment creditor to attach or levy upon any assets of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary of any Loan Party to enforce any such judgment; or (ii) any Loan Party or Subsidiary shall fail within forty-five (45) days to discharge one or more non-monetary judgments or orders which, individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, which judgments or orders, in any such case, are not stayed on appeal or otherwise being appropriately contested in good faith by proper proceedings diligently pursued; provided, however, that no Event of Default shall occur under this clause (k) if and for so long as (i) the full amount of such judgment, order or award is covered by a valid and binding policy of insurance and (ii) such insurer has been notified of such judgment, and the amount thereof, and has not disputed or contested the claim made for payment of the full amount of such judgment, order or award under such policy;

- (l) an ERISA Event shall have occurred that when taken together with all other ERISA Events that have occurred, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;
 - (m) a Change in Control shall occur;
- (n) the Loan Guaranty shall fail to remain in full force or effect or any action shall be taken to discontinue or to assert the invalidity or unenforceability of the Loan Guaranty, or any Loan Guarantor shall fail to comply with any of the terms or provisions of the Loan Guaranty to which it is a party, or any Loan Guarantor shall deny that it has any further liability under the Loan Guaranty to which it is a party, or shall give notice to such effect;
- (o) except as permitted by the terms of any Collateral Document, the Intercreditor Agreement or this Agreement, (i) any Collateral Document shall for any reason fail to create or keep created a valid security interest in any material portion of the Collateral purported to be covered thereby, or (ii) other than as a result of the failure of any Agent to take any action within its control to maintain perfection of the Liens created in favor of the Collateral Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties pursuant to the Loan Documents (excluding any action based on facts or circumstances for which the applicable Agent has not been notified in accordance with the provisions of the Loan Documents), any Lien securing any material portion of the Secured Obligations shall cease to be a perfected Lien having the priority required by the Loan Documents;
- (p) except as permitted by the terms of any Collateral Document, any action shall be taken to discontinue or to assert the invalidity or unenforceability of any Collateral Document; or
- (q) (i) any material provision of any Loan Document for any reason ceases to be valid, binding and enforceable in accordance with its terms or (ii) any Loan Party shall challenge the enforceability of any Loan Document or shall assert in writing, or engage in any action or inaction based on any such assertion, that any provision of any of the Loan Documents has ceased to be or otherwise is not valid, binding and enforceable in accordance with its terms;

then, and in every such event (other than an event with respect to the Loan Parties described in clause (h) or (i) of this Article), and at any time thereafter during the continuance of such event, the Administrative Agent may, and at the request of the Required Lenders shall, by notice to the Borrower Representative, take either or both of the following actions, at the same or different times: (i) terminate the DDTL Commitments, whereupon the DDTL Commitments shall terminate immediately, and (ii) declare the Loans then outstanding to be due and payable in whole (or in part, in which case any principal not so declared to be due and payable may thereafter be declared to be due and payable), whereupon the principal of the Loans so declared to be due and payable, together with accrued interest thereon and all fees and other obligations of the Borrowers accrued hereunder, shall become due and payable immediately, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby waived by the Borrowers; and in case of any event with respect to the Loan Parties described in clause (h) or (i) of this Article, the DDTL Commitments shall automatically terminate and the principal of the Loans then outstanding, together with accrued interest thereon and all fees and other obligations of the Loan Parties accrued hereunder, shall automatically become due and payable, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby waived by the Loan Parties. Upon the occurrence and the continuance of an Event of Default, any Agent may, in accordance with and subject to the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement, and at the request of the Required Lenders shall, exercise any rights and remedies provided to the Collateral Agent under the Loan Documents or at law or equity, including all remedies provided under the UCC.

ARTICLE VIII

THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND THE COLLATERAL AGENT

Each of the Lenders hereby irrevocably appoints Jefferies Finance LLC as Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent hereunder and under each other Loan Document, and each of the Lenders authorizes each of the Agents to enter into the Intercreditor Agreement, on behalf of such Lender (each Lender hereby agreeing to be bound by the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement, as if it were a party thereto) and to take such actions on its behalf, including execution of the other Loan Documents, and on behalf of the Secured Parties and to exercise such powers as are delegated to the Agents by the terms hereof and the terms of the other Loan Documents, together with such actions and powers as are reasonably incidental thereto.

The financial institution serving as the Administrative Agent hereunder shall have the same rights and powers in its capacity as a Lender as any other Lender and may exercise the same as though it were not the Administrative Agent, and such institution and its Affiliates may accept deposits from, lend money to and generally engage in any kind of business with the Loan Parties or any Subsidiary or other Affiliate thereof as if it were not the Administrative Agent hereunder.

No Agent shall have any duties or obligations except those expressly set forth herein. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, (a) no Agent shall be subject to any fiduciary or other implied duties, regardless of whether a Default has occurred and is continuing, (b) no Agent shall have any duty to take any discretionary action or exercise any discretionary powers, except discretionary rights and powers expressly contemplated hereby that such Agent is required to exercise in writing as directed by the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary under the circumstances as provided in Section 9.02) or as otherwise set forth in the Intercreditor Agreement, and (c) except as expressly set forth herein, no Agent shall have any duty to disclose, and shall not be liable for the failure to disclose, any information relating to any Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries that is communicated to or obtained by the financial institution serving as either Agent or any of its Affiliates in any capacity. No Agent shall be liable for any action taken or not taken by it with the consent or at the request of the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary under the circumstances as provided in Section 9.02) or in the absence of its own gross negligence or willful misconduct. No Agent shall be deemed to have knowledge of any Default unless and until written notice thereof is given to such Agent by the Borrower Representative or a Lender, and neither Agent shall be responsible for or have any duty to ascertain or inquire into (i) any statement, warranty or representation made in or in connection with this Agreement, (ii) the contents of any certificate, report or other document delivered hereunder or in connection herewith, (iii) the performance or observance of any of the covenants, agreements or other terms or conditions set forth herein, (iv) the validity, enforceability, effectiveness or genuineness of any Loan Document (other than the Intercreditor Agreement) or other instrument or document, (v) the creation, perfection or priority of Liens on the Collateral or the existence of the Collateral, or (vi) the satisfaction of any condition set forth in Article IV or elsewhere herein, other than to confirm receipt of items expressly required to be delivered to such Agent.

The Agents shall be entitled to rely upon, and shall not incur any liability for relying upon, any notice, request, certificate, consent, statement, instrument, document or other writing believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or sent by the proper Person. The Agents also may rely upon any statement made to it orally or by telephone and believed by it to be made by the proper Person, and shall not incur any liability for relying thereon. The Agents may consult with legal counsel (who may be counsel for the Borrowers), independent accountants and other experts selected by it, and shall not be liable for any action taken or not taken by it in accordance with the advice of any such counsel, accountants or experts.

Either Agent may perform any and all its duties and exercise its rights and powers by or through any one or more sub-agents appointed by such Agent. The Agents and any such sub-agent may perform any and all its duties and exercise its rights and powers through their respective Related Parties. The exculpatory provisions of the preceding s shall apply to any such sub-agent and to the Related Parties of the Agents and any such sub-agent, and shall apply to their respective activities in connection with the syndication of the credit facilities provided for herein as well as activities as an Agent.

To the extent required by any Requirement of Law, the Administrative Agent may withhold from any payment to any Lender an amount equivalent to any withholding tax applicable to such payment. If the IRS or any other Governmental Authority asserts a claim that the Administrative Agent did not properly withhold tax from amounts paid to or for the account of any Lender for any reason, or the Administrative Agent has paid over to the IRS or other Governmental Authority applicable withholding tax relating to a payment to a Lender but no deduction has been made from such payment, such Lender shall indemnify the Administrative Agent fully for all amounts paid, directly or indirectly, by the Administrative Agent as a Tax or otherwise, including any penalties, additions to tax or interest and together with any and all expenses incurred, unless such amounts have been indemnified by the Borrowers or another Loan Party. A certificate as to the amount of such payment or liability delivered to any Lender by the Administrative Agent shall be conclusive absent manifest error. Each Lender hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to set off and apply any and all amounts at any time owing to such Lender under this Agreement or any other Loan Document against any amount due the Administrative Agent under this Article VIII. The agreements in this paragraph shall survive the resignation and/or replacement of the Administrative Agent, any assignment of rights by, or the replacement of, a Lender, the repayment of the Loans, the expiration or termination of the DDTL Commitments or the termination of this Agreement or any provision hereof.

The Administrative Agent may resign at any time by notifying the Lenders and the Borrower Representative. Upon any such resignation, the Required Lenders shall have the right, in consultation with the Borrowers, to appoint a successor. If no successor shall have been so appointed by the Required Lenders and shall have accepted such appointment within thirty (30) days after the retiring Administrative Agent gives notice of its resignation, then the retiring Administrative Agent may, on behalf of the Lenders, appoint a successor Administrative Agent. Upon the acceptance of its appointment as Administrative Agent hereunder by a successor, such successor shall succeed to and become vested with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring Administrative Agent, and the retiring Administrative Agent shall be discharged from its duties and obligations hereunder. The fees payable by the Borrowers to a successor Administrative Agent shall be the same as those payable to its predecessor unless otherwise agreed between the Borrowers and such successor. After the Administrative Agent's resignation hereunder, the provisions of this Article, Section 2.17(d) and Section 9.03, as well as any exculpatory, reimbursement and indemnification provisions set forth in any other Loan Document, shall continue in effect for the benefit of such retiring Administrative Agent, its sub agents and their respective Related Parties in respect of any actions taken or omitted to be taken by any of them while it was acting as Administrative Agent. If no successor Administrative Agent has been appointed by the 30th day after the date such notice of resignation was given by the Administrative Agent, the Administrative Agent's resignation shall become effective and the Required Lenders shall thereafter perform all the duties of the Administrative Agent hereunder and/or under any other Loan Document until such time, if any, as the Required Lenders appoint a successor Administrative Agent as provided above. Upon the acceptance of its appointment as Administrative Agent hereunder by a successor, such successor shall succeed to and become vested with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring Administrative Agent, and the retiring (or retired) Administrative Agent shall be discharged from its duties and obligations under the Loan Documents. The fees payable by any Loan Party to a successor Administrative Agent shall be the same as those payable to its predecessor unless otherwise agreed between such Loan Party and such successor. The retiring (or retired) Administrative Agent shall remain indemnified to the extent provided in this Agreement and the other Loan Documents shall continue in effect for the benefit of the retiring (or retired) Administrative Agent for all of its actions and inactions while serving as the Administrative Agent.

Each Lender acknowledges that it has, independently and without reliance upon either Agent or any other Lender and based on such documents and information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own credit analysis and decision to enter into this Agreement. Each Lender also acknowledges that it will, independently and without reliance upon either Agent or any other Lender and based on such documents and information as it shall from time to time deem appropriate, continue to make its own decisions in taking or not taking action under or based upon this Agreement, any other Loan Document or related agreement or any document furnished hereunder or thereunder.

The Lenders are not partners or co-venturers, and no Lender shall be liable for the acts or omissions of, or (except as otherwise set forth herein in case of the Agents) authorized to act for, any other Lender. The Administrative Agent shall have the exclusive right on behalf of the Lenders to enforce the payment of the principal of and interest on any Loan after the date such principal or interest has become due and payable pursuant to the terms of this Agreement; provided that, the foregoing shall not limit or otherwise restrict the rights of the Lenders or any of their Affiliates pursuant to Section 9.08.

In its capacity, the Collateral Agent is a "representative" of the Secured Parties within the meaning of the term "secured party" as defined in the New York Uniform Commercial Code. Each Lender and the Administrative Agent authorizes the Collateral Agent to enter into each of the Collateral Documents to which it is a party and to take all action contemplated by such documents. Each Lender agrees that no Secured Party (other than the Collateral Agent) shall have the right individually to seek to realize upon the security granted by any Collateral Document, it being understood and agreed that such rights and remedies may be exercised solely by the Collateral Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties upon the terms of the Collateral Documents. In the event that any Collateral is hereafter pledged by any Person as collateral security for the Secured Obligations, the Collateral Agent is hereby authorized, and hereby granted a power of attorney, to execute and deliver on behalf of the Secured Parties any Loan Documents necessary or appropriate to grant and perfect a Lien on such Collateral in favor of the Collateral Agent on behalf of the Secured Parties. The Lenders and the Administrative Agent hereby authorize the Collateral Agent to release any Lien granted to or held by the Collateral Agent upon any Collateral (i) as described in Section 9.02(d); (ii) as permitted by, but only in accordance with, the terms of the applicable Loan Document; or (iii) if approved, authorized or ratified in writing by the Required Lenders, unless such release is required to be approved by all of the Lenders hereunder. Upon request by the Collateral Agent at any time, the Lenders and the Administrative Agent will confirm in writing the Collateral Agent's authority to release particular types or items of Collateral pursuant hereto. Upon any sale or transfer of assets constituting Collateral which is permitted pursuant to the terms of any Loan Document, or consented to in writing by the Required Lenders or all of the Lenders, as applicable, and upon at least five (5) Business Days' prior written request by the Borrower Representative to the Collateral Agent, the Collateral Agent shall (and is hereby irrevocably authorized by the Lenders and the Administrative Agent to) execute such documents as may be necessary to evidence the release of the Liens granted to the Collateral Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties herein or pursuant hereto upon the Collateral that was sold or transferred; provided, however, that (i) the Collateral Agent shall not be required to execute any such document on terms which, in the Collateral Agent's opinion, would expose the Collateral Agent to liability or create any obligation or entail any consequence other than the release of such Liens without recourse or warranty, and (ii) such release shall not in any manner discharge, affect or impair the Secured Obligations or any Liens upon (or obligations of any Loan Party in respect of) all interests retained by any Loan Party, including (without limitation) the proceeds of the sale, all of which shall continue to constitute part of the Collateral.

ARTICLE IX

MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 9.01. Notices. (a) Except in the case of notices and other communications expressly permitted to be given by telephone (and subject to <u>paragraph (b)</u> below), all notices and other communications provided for herein shall be in writing and shall be delivered by hand or overnight courier service, mailed by certified or registered mail or sent by facsimile, as follows:

(i) if to any Loan Party, to the Borrower Representative at:

The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. 100 East Ridge Road Ridgefield, CT 06877

Attention: Alexandros Aldous

Telephone: (203) 894-1345, Ext. 10211

Facsimile: (203) 894-9108

With a copy to:

Shearman & Sterling LLP 599 Lexington Avenue New York, NY 10022 Attention: Patrick Flanagan Telephone: (212) 848-5261 Facsimile: (646) 848-5261

(ii) if to the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent, to Jefferies Finance LLC via e-mail to JFIN.Admin@Jefferies.com; and

(iii) if to any Lender, to it at its address or facsimile number set forth in its Administrative Questionnaire.

All such notices and other communications (i) sent by hand or overnight courier service, or mailed by certified or registered mail, shall be deemed to have been given when received or (ii) sent by facsimile or e-mail shall be deemed to have been given when sent; <u>provided</u> that if not given during normal business hours for the recipient, shall be deemed to have been given at the opening of business on the next Business Day for the recipient.

(b) Notices and other communications to the Lenders hereunder may be delivered or furnished by electronic communications (including use of a Platform, e-mail and internet or intranet websites) pursuant to procedures approved by the Administrative Agent; <u>provided</u> that the foregoing shall not apply to notices pursuant to <u>Article II</u> or to compliance and no Default certificates delivered pursuant to <u>Section 5.01(c)</u> unless otherwise agreed by the Administrative Agent and the applicable Lender. The Administrative Agent or the Borrower Representative (on behalf of the Loan Parties) may, in its discretion, agree to accept notices and other communications to it hereunder by electronic communications pursuant to procedures approved by it; <u>provided</u> that approval of such procedures may be limited to particular notices or communications.

All such notices and other communications (a) sent to an e mail address shall be deemed received upon the sender's receipt of an acknowledgement from the intended recipient (such as by the "return receipt requested" function, as available, return e mail or other written acknowledgement); provided that if not given during the normal business hours of the recipient, such notice or communication shall be deemed to have been given at the opening of business on the next Business Day for the recipient, and (b) posted to an Internet or intranet website shall be deemed received upon the deemed receipt by the intended recipient at its e mail address as described in the foregoing <u>clause (b)(i)</u> of notification that such notice or communication is available and identifying the website address therefor.

- (c) The Loan Parties and each Lender acknowledge that certain of the Lenders may be Public Lenders and, if documents or notices required to be delivered pursuant to Section 5.02 or otherwise are being distributed through a Platform, any document or notice that the Borrower has indicated contains Non-Public Information shall not be posted on that portion of the Platform designated for Public Lenders. The Borrower agrees to clearly designate all information provided to the Administrative Agent by or on behalf of the Loan Parties which is suitable to make available to Public Lenders. If the Borrower has not indicated whether a document or notice delivered pursuant to Section 5.02 or otherwise contains Non-Public Information, the Administrative Agent reserves the right to post such document or notice solely on that portion of the Platform designated for Lenders who wish to receive material non-public information with respect to Holdings, its Subsidiaries and their respective securities.
- (d) Public Side Information Contacts. Each Public Lender agrees to cause at least one individual at or on behalf of such Public Lender to have selected the "Private Side Information" or similar designation on the content declaration screen of the Platform in order to enable such Public Lender or its delegate, in accordance with such Public Lender's compliance procedures and applicable Requirements of Law, including the U.S. Federal and state securities laws, to make reference to electronic communications that are not made available through the "Public Side Information" portion of the Platform and that may contain material non-public information with respect to the Borrower or its securities for purposes of the U.S. Federal or state securities laws. In the event that any Public Lender has elected for itself to not access any information disclosed through the Platform or otherwise, such Public Lender acknowledges that (i) the Agents and other Lenders may have access to such information and (ii) neither the Borrower nor any Agent or other Lender with access to such information shall have (x) any responsibility for such Public Lender's decision to limit the scope of information it has obtained in connection with this Agreement and the other Loan Documents or (y) any duty to disclose such information to such electing Lender or to use such information on behalf of such electing Lender, and shall not be liable for the failure to so disclose or use such information.
- (e) Any party hereto may change its address or facsimile number for notices and other communications hereunder by notice to the other parties hereto.

SECTION 9.02. <u>Waivers; Amendments</u>. (a) No failure or delay by the Administrative Agent or any Lender in exercising any right or power hereunder or under any other Loan Document shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right or power, or any abandonment or discontinuance of steps to enforce such right or power, preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right or power. The rights and remedies of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders hereunder and under any other Loan Document are cumulative and are not exclusive of any rights or remedies that they would otherwise have. No waiver of any provision of this Agreement or consent to any departure by any Loan Party therefrom shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be permitted by <u>paragraph (b)</u> of this Section, and then such waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the purpose for which given. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the making of a Loan shall not be construed as a waiver of any Default, regardless of whether the Administrative Agent or any Lender may have had notice or knowledge of such Default at the time.

- Except as provided in Section 2.22 with respect to an Incremental Term Loan Amendment, neither this Agreement nor any (b) provision hereof may be waived, amended or modified except pursuant to an agreement or agreements in writing entered into by the Borrowers and the Required Lenders or by the Borrowers and the Administrative Agent with the consent of the Required Lenders; provided that no such agreement shall (i) increase the Commitment of any Lender without the written consent of such Lender (including any such Lender that is a Defaulting Lender), (ii) reduce or forgive the principal amount of any Loan or reduce the rate of interest thereon (it being agreed that the waiver of the default interest margin referred to in Section 2.13(d) shall only require the consent of Required Lenders), or reduce or forgive any interest or fees payable hereunder, without the written consent of each Lender (including any such Lender that is a Defaulting Lender) directly affected thereby, (iii) postpone any scheduled date of payment of the principal amount of any Loan (other than mandatory prepayments pursuant to Section 2.11), or any date for the payment of any interest or fees payable hereunder, or reduce the amount of, waive or excuse any such payment, or postpone the scheduled date of expiration of any Commitment, without the written consent of each Lender (including any such Lender that is a Defaulting Lender) directly affected thereby, (iv) change Section 2.18(b) or (d) in a manner that would alter the pro rata sharing of payments required thereby, without the written consent of each Lender, (v) change any of the provisions of this Section or the definition of "Required Lenders" or any other provision hereof specifying the number or percentage of Lenders (or Lenders of any class) required to waive, amend or modify any rights hereunder or make any determination or grant any consent hereunder, without the written consent of each Lender, (vi) release all or substantially all of the Loan Guarantors from their obligations under the Loan Guaranty without the written consent of each Lender, or (vii) except as provided in clause (d) of this Section or in any Collateral Document, release all or substantially all of the Collateral, without the written consent of each Lender; provided, further, that no such agreement shall amend, modify or otherwise affect the rights or duties of the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent, hereunder without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent or the Collateral Agent, as the case may be.
- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement and any other Loan Document may be amended (or amended and restated) with the written consent of the Required Lenders, the Administrative Agent and the Borrowers (x) to add one or more credit facilities (in addition to the Incremental Term Loans pursuant to an Incremental Term Loan Amendment) to this Agreement and to permit extensions of credit from time to time outstanding thereunder and the accrued interest and fees in respect thereof to share ratably in the benefits of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents with the initial Term Loans, Delayed Draw Term Loans, Incremental Term Loans and the accrued interest and fees in respect thereof and (y) to include appropriately the Lenders holding such credit facilities in any determination of the Required Lenders and Lenders.
- (d) The Lenders hereby irrevocably authorize the Administrative Agent, at its option and in its sole discretion, to release any Liens granted to the Administrative Agent by the Loan Parties on any Collateral (i) upon the termination of the Commitments, payment and satisfaction in full in cash of all Secured Obligations (other than Unliquidated Obligations), and the cash collateralization of all Unliquidated Obligations in a manner satisfactory to each affected Lender, (ii) constituting property being sold or disposed of if the Loan Party disposing of such property certifies to the Administrative Agent that the sale or disposition is made in compliance with the terms of this Agreement (and the Administrative Agent may rely conclusively on any such certificate, without further inquiry), and to the extent that the property being sold or disposed of constitutes 100% of the Equity Interest of a Subsidiary, the Administrative Agent is authorized to release any Loan Guaranty provided by such Subsidiary, (iii) constituting property leased to a Loan Party under a lease which has expired or been terminated in a transaction permitted under this Agreement, or (iv) as required to effect any sale or other disposition of such Collateral in connection with any exercise of remedies of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders pursuant to Article VII.

Except as provided in the preceding sentence, the Administrative Agent will not release any Liens on Collateral without the prior written authorization of the Required Lenders. Any such release shall not in any manner discharge, affect or impair the Obligations or any Liens (other than those expressly being released) upon (or obligations of the Loan Parties in respect of) all interests retained by the Loan Parties, including the proceeds of any sale, all of which shall continue to constitute part of the Collateral. If the Administrative Agent releases any Collateral in accordance with the foregoing, Administrative Agent agrees, at Borrowers' sole expense, to prepare and deliver such documents as Borrower Representative may reasonably request to evidence such release.

- (e) If, in connection with any proposed amendment, waiver or consent requiring the consent of "each Lender" or "each Lender directly affected thereby," the consent of the Required Lenders is obtained, but the consent of other necessary Lenders is not obtained (any such Lender whose consent is necessary but not obtained being referred to herein as a "Non-Consenting Lender"), then the Borrowers may elect to replace a Non-Consenting Lender as a Lender party to this Agreement; provided that, concurrently with such replacement, (i) another bank or other entity which is reasonably satisfactory to the Borrowers and the Administrative Agent shall agree, as of such date, to purchase for cash the Loans and other Obligations due to the Non-Consenting Lender pursuant to an Assignment and Assumption and to become a Lender for all purposes under this Agreement and to assume all obligations of the Non-Consenting Lender to be terminated as of such date and to comply with the requirements of clause (b) of Section 9.04, and (ii) the Borrowers shall pay to such Non-Consenting Lender in same day funds on the day of such replacement (1) all interest, fees and other amounts then accrued but unpaid to such Non-Consenting Lender by the Borrowers hereunder to and including the date of termination, including without limitation payments due to such Non-Consenting Lender under Sections 2.15 and 2.17, and (2) an amount, if any, equal to the payment which would have been due to such Lender on the day of such replacement under Section 2.16 had the Loans of such Non-Consenting Lender been prepaid on such date rather than sold to the replacement Lender.
- (f) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Administrative Agent may, with the consent of the Borrower Representative only, amend, modify or supplement this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents to cure any ambiguity, omission, mistake, defect or inconsistency.

SECTION 9.03. Expenses; Indemnity; Damage Waiver. (a) The Borrowers shall pay (i) all reasonable documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Agents and their Affiliates, including the reasonable and documented fees, charges and disbursements of one primary counsel and one additional counsel in each applicable jurisdiction for the Agents, in connection with the syndication and distribution (including, without limitation, via the internet or through a service such as Intralinks) of the credit facilities provided for herein, the preparation and administration of the Loan Documents or any amendments, modifications or waivers of the provisions of the Loan Documents (whether or not the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby shall be consummated), (ii) all documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Agents or any Lender, including the fees, charges and disbursements of (x) one primary counsel and one additional counsel in each applicable jurisdiction for the Agents, (y) one additional counsel for all Lenders (other than the Agents) and (z) additional counsel in light of actual or potential conflicts of interest or the availability of different claims or defenses for the Administrative Agent or any Lender, in connection with the enforcement, collection or protection of its rights in connection with the Loan Documents, including its rights under this Section, or in connection with the Loans made hereunder, including all such documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred during any workout, restructuring or negotiations in respect of such Loans.

- (b) The Borrowers shall, jointly and severally, indemnify the Agents, the Arrangers and each Lender, and each Related Party of any of the foregoing Persons (each such Person being called an "Indemnitee") against, and hold each Indemnitee harmless from, any and all losses, claims, damages, penalties, incremental taxes, liabilities and related expenses, including the fees, charges and disbursements of any counsel for any Indemnitee, incurred by or asserted against any Indemnitee arising out of, in connection with, or as a result of (i) the negotiation, preparation, execution or delivery of the Loan Documents or any agreement or instrument contemplated thereby, the performance by the parties hereto of their respective obligations thereunder or the consummation of the Transactions or any other transactions contemplated hereby, (ii) any Loan or the use of the proceeds therefrom, (iii) any actual or alleged presence or release of Hazardous Materials on or from any property owned or operated by any Borrower or any of their Subsidiaries, or any Environmental Liability related in any way to any Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries, (iv) the failure of the Borrowers to deliver to the Administrative Agent the required receipts or other required documentary evidence with respect to a payment made by the Borrowers for Taxes pursuant to Section 2.17, or (v) any actual or prospective claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding relating to any of the foregoing, whether based on contract, tort or any other theory and regardless of whether any Indemnitee is a party thereto; provided that such indemnity shall not, as to any Indemnitee, be available to the extent that such losses, claims, damages, penalties, liabilities or related expenses are determined by a court of competent jurisdiction by final and nonappealable judgment to have resulted from the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of such Indemnitee. This Section 9.03(b) shall not apply with respect to Taxes other than any Taxes that represent losses or damag
- (c) To the extent that the Borrowers fail to pay any amount required to be paid by it to any Agent under <u>paragraph (a)</u> or (<u>b)</u> of this Section, each Lender severally agrees to pay to such Agent such Lender's Applicable Percentage (determined as of the time that the applicable unreimbursed expense or indemnity payment is sought) of such unpaid amount (it being understood that the Borrowers' failure to pay any such amount shall not relieve the Borrowers of any default in the payment thereof); <u>provided</u> that the unreimbursed expense or indemnified loss, claim, damage, penalty, liability or related expense, as the case may be, was incurred by or asserted against such Agent in its capacity as such.
- (d) To the extent permitted by applicable law, no Loan Party shall assert, and each hereby waives, any claim against any Indemnitee (i) for any damages arising from the use by others of information or other material obtained through telecommunications, electronic or other information transmission systems (including the Internet), or (ii) on any theory of liability, for special, indirect, consequential or punitive damages (as opposed to direct or actual damages) arising out of, in connection with, or as a result of, this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any agreement or instrument contemplated hereby or thereby, the Transactions, any Loan or the use of the proceeds thereof.
- (e) All amounts due under this Section shall be payable not later than fifteen (15) days after the Borrower Representative's receipt of written demand therefor.

SECTION 9.04. Successors and Assigns. (a) The provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns permitted hereby, except that (i) no Loan Party may assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of each Lender (and any attempted assignment or transfer by any Loan Party without such consent shall be null and void) and (ii) no Lender may assign or otherwise transfer its rights or obligations hereunder except in accordance with this Section. Nothing in this Agreement, expressed or implied, shall be construed to confer upon any Person (other than the parties hereto, their respective successors and assigns permitted hereby, Participants (to the extent provided in <u>paragraph (c)</u> of this Section) and, to the extent expressly contemplated hereby, the Related Parties of each of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders) any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Agreement.

(b)	(i) Subject to the conditions set forth in paragraph (b)(ii) below, any Lender may assign to one or more assignees all or a portion	
of its rights and obligations	under this Agreement (including all or a portion of its DDTL Commitment and the Loans at the time owing to it) with the prior	
written consent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed) of:		

- (A) the Borrower Representative; <u>provided</u> that (x) the Borrower Representative shall be deemed to have consented to any such assignment unless it shall object thereto by written notice to the Administrative Agent within ten (10) Business Days after having received notice thereof, (y) it shall not be unreasonable for the Borrower Representative to withhold its consent for assignments to any Person that is directly engaged in the primary business of distributing food products to business establishments, such as restaurants, country clubs, hotels, caterers, culinary schools and specialty food stores and (z) no consent of the Borrower Representative shall be required for an assignment to a Lender, an Affiliate of a Lender, an Approved Fund or, if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, any other Person; and
 - (B) the Administrative Agent.
 - (ii) Assignments shall be subject to the following additional conditions:
- (A) except in the case of an assignment to a Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender or an assignment of the entire remaining amount of the assigning Lender's DDTL Commitment or Loans of any class, the amount of the DDTL Commitment or Loans of the assigning Lender subject to each such assignment (determined as of the date the Assignment and Assumption with respect to such assignment is delivered to the Administrative Agent) shall not be less than \$1,000,000 unless each of the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent otherwise consent; provided that no such consent of the Borrower Representative shall be required if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing;
- (B) each partial assignment shall be made as an assignment of a proportionate part of all the assigning Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement; <u>provided</u> that this clause shall not be construed to prohibit the assignment of a proportionate part of all the assigning Lender's rights and obligations in respect of its DDTL Commitment or a class of Loans;
- (C) the parties to each assignment shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent an Assignment and Assumption, together with a processing and recordation fee of \$3,500; <u>provided</u> that the Administrative Agent may, in its sole discretion, elect to waive or reduce such processing fee in the case of any assignment; and
- (D) the assignee, if it shall not be a Lender, shall deliver to the Administrative Agent an Administrative Questionnaire in which the assignee designates one or more credit contacts to whom all the syndicate-level information (which may contain material non-public information about Loan Parties and their Related Parties or their respective securities) will be made available and who may receive such information in accordance with the assignee's compliance procedures and applicable laws, including Federal and state securities laws; and

(E) In no event shall any Loan Party, any Affiliate of the Loan Parties or any natural person become a Lender

hereunder.

For the purposes of this <u>Section 9.04(b)</u>, the term "<u>Approved Fund</u>" has the following meaning:

"Approved Fund" means any Person (other than a natural person) that is engaged in making, purchasing, holding or investing in bank loans and similar extensions of credit in the ordinary course of its business and that is administered or managed by (a) a Lender, (b) an Affiliate of a Lender or (c) an entity or an Affiliate of an entity that administers or manages a Lender.

- (iii) Subject to acceptance and recording thereof pursuant to <u>paragraph (b)(iv)</u> of this Section, from and after the effective date specified in each Assignment and Assumption the assignee thereunder shall be a party hereto and, to the extent of the interest assigned by such Assignment and Assumption, have the rights and obligations of a Lender under this Agreement, and the assigning Lender thereunder shall, to the extent of the interest assigned by such Assignment and Assumption, be released from its obligations under this Agreement (and, in the case of an Assignment and Assumption covering all of the assigning Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement, such Lender shall cease to be a party hereto but shall continue to be entitled to the benefits of <u>Sections 2.15, 2.16, 2.17</u> and <u>9.03</u>). Any assignment or transfer by a Lender of rights or obligations under this Agreement that does not comply with this <u>Section 9.04</u> shall be treated for purposes of this Agreement as a sale by such Lender of a participation in such rights and obligations in accordance with <u>paragraph (c)</u> of this Section.
- (iv) The Administrative Agent, acting for this purpose as a non-fiduciary agent of the Borrowers, shall maintain at one of its offices a copy of each Assignment and Assumption delivered to it and a register for the recordation of the names and addresses of the Lenders, and the DDTL Commitment of, and principal amount of (and stated interest on) the Loans owing to, each Lender pursuant to the terms hereof from time to time (the "Register"). The entries in the Register shall be conclusive, and the Borrowers, the Administrative Agent and the Lenders shall treat each Person whose name is recorded in the Register pursuant to the terms hereof as a Lender hereunder for all purposes of this Agreement, notwithstanding notice to the contrary. The Register shall be available for inspection by the Borrowers and each Lender (with respect to any entry relating to such Lender's Loans), at any reasonable time and from time to time upon reasonable prior notice. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the Loans are intended to be treated as registered obligations for tax purposes and the right, title and interest of the Lenders in and to such Loans shall be transferable only in accordance with the terms hereof. This Section 9.04(b)(iv) shall be construed so that the Loans are at all times maintained in "registered form" within the meaning of Sections 163(f), 871(h)(2) and 881(c)(2) of the Code.
- (v) Upon its receipt of a duly completed Assignment and Assumption executed by an assigning Lender and an assignee, the assignee's completed Administrative Questionnaire (unless the assignee shall already be a Lender hereunder), the processing and recordation fee referred to in paragraph (b) of this Section and any written consent to such assignment required by paragraph (b) of this Section, the Administrative Agent shall accept such Assignment and Assumption and record the information contained therein in the Register; provided that if either the assigning Lender or the assignee shall have failed to make any payment required to be made by it pursuant to Sections 2.07, <a href="mailto:2.18(d) or <a href="mailto:9.03(c), the Administrative Agent shall have no obligation to accept such Assignment and Assumption and record the information therein in the Register unless and until such payment shall have been made in full, together with all accrued interest thereon. No assignment shall be effective for purposes of this Agreement unless it has been recorded in the Register as provided in this paragraph.

Any Lender may, without the consent of the Borrowers, the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent, sell (c) participations to one or more banks or other entities (a "Participant") in all or a portion of such Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement (including all or a portion of its DDTL Commitment and the Loans owing to it); provided that (A) such Lender's obligations under this Agreement shall remain unchanged; (B) such Lender shall remain solely responsible to the other parties hereto for the performance of such obligations; (C) the Borrowers, the Administrative Agent and the other Lenders shall continue to deal solely and directly with such Lender in connection with such Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement and (D) no Affiliate of any Loan Party shall become a Participant. Any agreement or instrument pursuant to which a Lender sells such a participation shall provide that such Lender shall retain the sole right to enforce this Agreement and to approve any amendment, modification or waiver of any provision of this Agreement; provided that such agreement or instrument may provide that such Lender will not, without the consent of the Participant, agree to any amendment, modification or waiver described in the first proviso to Section 9.02(b) that affects such Participant. The Borrowers agree that each Participant shall be entitled to the benefits of Section 2.15, 2.16 and 2.17 (subject to the requirements and limitations therein, including the requirements under <u>Section 2.17(f)</u> (it being understood that the documentation required under <u>Section 2.17(f)</u> shall be delivered to the participating Lender)) to the same extent as if it were a Lender and had acquired its interest by assignment pursuant to paragraph (b) of this Section; provided that such Participant (A) agrees to be subject to the provisions of Section 2.18 and 2.19 as if it were an assignee under paragraph (b) of this Section; and (B) shall not be entitled to receive any greater payment under Section 2.15 or 2.17, with respect to any participation, than its participating Lender would have been entitled to receive, except to the extent such entitlement to receive a greater payment results from a Change in Law that occurs after the Participant acquired the applicable participation.

To the extent permitted by law, each Participant also shall be entitled to the benefits of Section 9.08 as though it were a Lender; provided such Participant agrees to be subject to Section 2.18(c) as though it were a Lender. Each Lender that sells a participation shall, acting solely for this purpose as a non-fiduciary agent of the Borrowers, maintain a register on which it enters the name and address of each Participant and the principal amounts (and stated interest) of each Participant's interest in the Loans or other obligations under this Agreement (the "Participant Register"); provided that no Lender shall have any obligation to disclose all or any portion of the Participant Register to any Person (including the identity of any Participant or any information relating to a Participant's interest in any DDTL Commitments, Loans or its other obligations under any Loan Document) except to the extent that such disclosure is necessary to establish that such DDTL Commitment, Loan or other obligation is in registered form under Section 5f.103 1(c) of the United States Treasury Regulations. The entries in the Participant Register shall be conclusive absent manifest error, and such Lender shall treat each person whose name is recorded in the Participant Register as the owner of such participation for all purposes of this Agreement notwithstanding any notice to the contrary.

(d) Any Lender may at any time pledge or assign a security interest in all or any portion of its rights under this Agreement to secure obligations of such Lender, including without limitation any pledge or assignment to secure obligations to a Federal Reserve Bank, and this Section shall not apply to any such pledge or assignment of a security interest; <u>provided</u> that no such pledge or assignment of a security interest shall release a Lender from any of its obligations hereunder or substitute any such pledgee or assignee for such Lender as a party hereto.

SECTION 9.05. <u>Survival</u>. All covenants, agreements, representations and warranties made by the Loan Parties in the Loan Documents and in the certificates or other instruments delivered in connection with or pursuant to this Agreement or any other Loan Document shall be considered to have been relied upon by the other parties hereto and shall survive the execution and delivery of the Loan Documents and the making of any Loans, regardless of any investigation made by any such other party or on its behalf and notwithstanding that the Administrative Agent or any Lender may have had notice or knowledge of any Default or incorrect representation or warranty at the time any credit is extended hereunder, and shall continue in full force and effect as long as the principal of or any accrued interest on any Loan or any fee or any other amount payable under this Agreement is outstanding and unpaid and so long as the DDTL Commitments have not expired or terminated.

The provisions of Section 2.15, 2.16, 2.17 and 9.03 and Article VIII shall survive and remain in full force and effect regardless of the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, the repayment of the Loans, the expiration or termination of the DDTL Commitments or the termination of this Agreement or any other Loan Document or any provision hereof or thereof.

SECTION 9.06. Counterparts; Integration; Effectiveness. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts (and by different parties hereto on different counterparts), each of which shall constitute an original, but all of which when taken together shall constitute a single contract. This Agreement, the other Loan Documents and any separate letter agreements with respect to fees payable to the Administrative Agent constitute the entire contract among the parties relating to the subject matter hereof and supersede any and all previous agreements and understandings, oral or written, relating to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement shall become effective on the Effective Date. Except as provided in Section 4.01, this Agreement shall become effective when it shall have been executed by the Administrative Agent and when the Administrative Agent shall have received counterparts hereof which, when taken together, bear the signatures of each of the other parties hereto, and thereafter shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Agreement by telecopy, e-mailed .pdf or any other electronic means that reproduces an image of the actual executed signature page shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Agreement. The words "execution," "signed," "signature," "delivery," and words of like import in or relating to any document to be signed in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby shall be deemed to include Electronic Signatures, deliveries or the keeping of records in electronic form, each of which shall be of the same legal effect, validity or enforceability as a manually executed signature, physical delivery thereof or the use of a paper-based recordkeeping system, as the case may be, to the extent and as provided for in any applicable law, including the Federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, the New York State Electronic Signatures and Records Act, or any other similar state laws based on the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act; provided that nothing herein shall require the Administrative Agent to accept electronic signatures in any form or format without its prior written consent.

SECTION 9.07. <u>Severability.</u> Any provision of any Loan Document held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability without affecting the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions thereof; and the invalidity of a particular provision in a particular jurisdiction shall not invalidate such provision in any other jurisdiction.

SECTION 9.08. Right of Setoff. If an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, each Lender and each of its Affiliates is hereby authorized at any time and from time to time, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to set off and apply any and all deposits (general or special, time or demand, provisional or final) at any time held and other obligations at any time owing by such Lender or Affiliate to or for the credit or the account of the Borrowers or any Loan Guarantor against any of and all the Secured Obligations held by such Lender, irrespective of whether or not such Lender shall have made any demand under the Loan Documents and although such obligations may be unmatured.

No Lender shall exercise any such right of setoff without the prior consent of the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders. The applicable Lender shall notify the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent of such set-off or application; <u>provided</u> that any failure to give or any delay in giving such notice shall not affect the validity of any such set-off or application under this Section. The rights of each Lender under this Section are in addition to other rights and remedies (including other rights of setoff) which such Lender may have.

SECTION 9.09. <u>Governing Law; Jurisdiction; Consent to Service of Process</u>. (a) This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York without regard to conflict of law principles (other than sections 5-1401 and 5-1402 of the New York General Obligations Law).

- (b) To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, each Loan Party hereby irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of any New York State court or federal court sitting in the County of New York and the Borough of Manhattan in respect of any claim, suit, action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the provisions of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents and irrevocably agree that all claims in respect of any such claim, suit, action or proceeding may be heard and determined in any such court and that service of process therein may be made by certified mail, postage prepaid, to your address set forth above. Each Loan Party hereby waives, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, any objection that it may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any such claim, suit, action or proceeding brought in any such court, and any claim that any such claim, suit, action or proceeding brought in any such court has been brought in an inconvenient forum. Each of the parties hereto agrees that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law. Nothing in this Agreement or any other Loan Document shall affect any right that the Administrative Agent or any Lender may otherwise have to bring any action or proceeding relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document against any Loan Party or its properties in the courts of any jurisdiction.
- (c) Each Loan Party hereby irrevocably and unconditionally waives, to the fullest extent it may legally and effectively do so, any objection which it may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any suit, action or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document in any court referred to in <u>paragraph (b)</u> of this Section. Each of the parties hereto hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of such action or proceeding in any such court.
- (d) Each party to this Agreement irrevocably consents to service of process in the manner provided for notices in Section 9.01. Nothing in this Agreement or any other Loan Document will affect the right of any party to this Agreement to serve process in any other manner permitted by law.

SECTION 9.10. WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR ANY OTHER THEORY). EACH PARTY HERETO (A) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND (B) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT AND THE OTHER PARTIES HERETO HAVE BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION.

SECTION 9.11. <u>Headings</u>. Article and Section headings and the Table of Contents used herein are for convenience of reference only, are not part of this Agreement and shall not affect the construction of, or be taken into consideration in interpreting, this Agreement.

SECTION 9.12. Confidentiality. Each of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders agrees to maintain the confidentiality of the Information (as defined below), except that Information may be disclosed (a) to its and its Affiliates' directors, officers, employees and agents, including affiliates, accountants, legal counsel and other advisors (it being understood that the Persons to whom such disclosure is made will be informed of the confidential nature of such Information and instructed to keep such Information confidential), (b) to the extent requested by any regulatory authority, (c) to the extent required by Requirement of Law or by any subpoena or similar legal process, (d) to any other party to this Agreement, (e) in connection with the exercise of any remedies under this Agreement or any other Loan Document or any suit, action or proceeding relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document or the enforcement of rights hereunder or thereunder, (f) subject to an agreement containing provisions substantially the same as those of this Section, to (1) any assignee of or Participant in, or any prospective assignee of or Participant in, any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement or (2) any actual or prospective counterparty (or its advisors) to any swap or derivative transaction relating to the Loan Parties and their obligations, (g) on a confidential basis to (1) any rating agency in connection with rating Holdings or any of its Subsidiaries or the credit facility provided for herein or (2) the CUSIP Service Bureau or any similar agency in connection with the issuance and monitoring of CUSIP numbers with respect to the credit facility provided for herein, (h) with the consent of the Borrower Representative or (i) to the extent such Information becomes (1) publicly available other than as a result of a breach of this Section or (2) available to the Administrative Agent or any Lender on a non-confidential basis from a source other than the Borrowers. For the purposes of this Section, "Information" means all information received from the Borrowers relating to the Borrowers or their business, other than any such information that is available to the Administrative Agent or any Lender on a non-confidential basis prior to disclosure by the Borrowers and other than information pertaining to this Agreement routinely provided by arrangers to data service providers, including league table providers, that serve the lending industry; provided that, in the case of information received from the Borrowers after the Effective Date, such information is clearly identified at the time of delivery as confidential. Any Person required to maintain the confidentiality of Information as provided in this Section shall be considered to have complied with its obligation to do so if such Person has exercised the same degree of care to maintain the confidentiality of such Information as such Person would accord to its own confidential information.

EACH LENDER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT INFORMATION (AS DEFINED IN <u>SECTION 9.12</u>) FURNISHED TO IT PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT MAY INCLUDE MATERIAL NON-PUBLIC INFORMATION CONCERNING THE LOAN PARTIES, AND THEIR AFFILIATES AND THEIR RELATED PARTIES OR THEIR RESPECTIVE SECURITIES, AND CONFIRMS THAT IT HAS DEVELOPED COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES REGARDING THE USE OF MATERIAL NON-PUBLIC INFORMATION AND THAT IT WILL HANDLE SUCH MATERIAL NON-PUBLIC INFORMATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THOSE PROCEDURES AND APPLICABLE LAW, INCLUDING FEDERAL AND STATE SECURITIES LAWS.

ALL INFORMATION, INCLUDING REQUESTS FOR WAIVERS AND AMENDMENTS, FURNISHED BY THE BORROWERS OR THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT PURSUANT TO, OR IN THE COURSE OF ADMINISTERING, THIS AGREEMENT WILL BE SYNDICATE-LEVEL INFORMATION, WHICH MAY CONTAIN MATERIAL NON-PUBLIC INFORMATION ABOUT LOAN PARTIES, THE LOAN PARTIES AND THEIR RELATED PARTIES OR THEIR RESPECTIVE SECURITIES. ACCORDINGLY, EACH LENDER REPRESENTS TO THE BORROWERS AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT THAT IT HAS IDENTIFIED IN ITS ADMINISTRATIVE QUESTIONNAIRE A CREDIT CONTACT WHO MAY RECEIVE INFORMATION THAT MAY CONTAIN MATERIAL NON-PUBLIC INFORMATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES AND APPLICABLE LAW, INCLUDING FEDERAL AND STATE SECURITIES LAWS.

SECTION 9.13. Several Obligations; Nonreliance; Violation of Law. The respective obligations of the Lenders hereunder are several and not joint and the failure of any Lender to make any Loan or perform any of its obligations hereunder shall not relieve any other Lender from any of its obligations hereunder. Each Lender hereby represents that it is not relying on or looking to any margin stock (as defined in Regulation U of the Board) for the repayment of the Borrowings provided for herein. Anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, no Lender shall be obligated to extend credit to the Borrowers in violation of any Requirement of Law.

SECTION 9.14. <u>USA PATRIOT Act</u>. Each Lender that is subject to the requirements of the USA Patriot Act (Title III of Pub. L. 107 56 (signed into law October 26, 2001)) (the "<u>Act</u>") hereby notifies the Borrowers that pursuant to the requirements of the Act, it is required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies the Borrowers, which information includes the names and addresses of the Borrowers and other information that will allow such Lender to identify the Borrowers in accordance with the Act.

SECTION 9.15. <u>Disclosure</u>. Each Loan Party and each Lender hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Administrative Agent and/or its Affiliates from time to time may hold investments in, make other loans to or have other relationships with any of the Loan Parties and their respective Affiliates.

SECTION 9.16. Appointment for Perfection. Each Lender (in its capacity as Lender and as a holder of any other Secured Obligations) hereby appoints each other Lender as its agent for the purpose of perfecting Liens, for the benefit of the Collateral Agent, the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the other holders of Secured Obligations, in assets which, in accordance with Article 9 of the UCC or any other applicable law can be perfected only by possession or control. Should any Lender (other than the Collateral Agent) obtain possession or control of any such Collateral, such Lender shall notify the Collateral Agent thereof and, promptly upon the Collateral Agent's request therefor, shall deliver such Collateral to the Collateral Agent or otherwise deal with such Collateral in accordance with the Collateral Agent's instructions.

SECTION 9.17. Interest Rate Limitation. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, if at any time the interest rate applicable to any Loan, together with all fees, charges and other amounts which are treated as interest on such Loan under applicable law (collectively the "Charges"), shall exceed the maximum lawful rate (the "Maximum Rate") which may be contracted for, charged, taken, received or reserved by the Lender holding such Loan in accordance with applicable law, the rate of interest payable in respect of such Loan hereunder, together with all Charges payable in respect thereof, shall be limited to the Maximum Rate and, to the extent lawful, the interest and Charges that would have been payable in respect of such Loan but were not payable as a result of the operation of this Section shall be cumulated and the interest and Charges payable to such Lender in respect of other Loans or periods shall be increased (but not above the Maximum Rate therefor) until such cumulated amount, together with interest thereon at the Federal Funds Effective Rate to the date of repayment, shall have been received by such Lender.

SECTION 9.18. <u>No Advisory or Fiduciary Responsibility</u>. In connection with all aspects of each transaction contemplated hereby (including in connection with any amendment, waiver or other modification hereof or of any other Loan Document), each Loan Party acknowledges and agrees that: (i) (A) the arranging and other services regarding this Agreement provided by the Lenders are arm's-length commercial transactions between the Loan Parties and their Affiliates, on the one hand, and the Lenders and their Affiliates, on the other hand,

(B) the Loan Parties have consulted their own legal, accounting, regulatory and tax advisors to the extent it has deemed appropriate and (C) the Loan Parties are capable of evaluating, and each understands and accepts, the terms, risks and conditions of the transactions contemplated hereby and by the other Loan Documents; (ii) (A) each of the Lenders and their Affiliates is and has been acting solely as a principal and, except as expressly agreed in writing by the relevant parties, has not been, is not, and will not be acting as an advisor, agent or fiduciary for the Loan Parties or any of their Affiliates, or any other Person and (B) no Lender or any of its Affiliates has any obligation to the Loan Parties or any of their Affiliates with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby except, in the case of a Lender, those obligations expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents; and (iii) each of the Lenders and their respective Affiliates may be engaged in a broad range of transactions that involve interests that differ from those of the Loan Parties and their Affiliates, and no Lender or any of its Affiliates has any obligation to disclose any of such interests to the Loan Parties or their Affiliates. To the fullest extent permitted by law, each Loan Party hereby waives and releases any claims that it may have against each of the Lenders and their Affiliates with respect to any breach or alleged breach of agency or fiduciary duty in connection with any aspect of any transaction contemplated hereby.

SECTION 9.19. Intercreditor Agreement. Each of the Lenders hereby acknowledges that it has received and reviewed the Intercreditor Agreement and agrees to be bound by the terms thereof as if such Lender was a signatory thereto. Each Lender (and each Person that becomes a Lender hereunder pursuant to Section 9.04) hereby (a) acknowledges that Jefferies Finance LLC is acting under the Intercreditor Agreement as the Term Loan Representative and Jefferies Finance LLC and its Affiliates is or may be a Lender hereunder and/or under the ABL Loan Documents and (b) waives any conflict of interest, now contemplated or arising hereafter, in connection therewith and agrees not to assert against the Administrative Agent any claims, cause of action, damages or liabilities of whatever kind or nature relating thereto. Each Lender (and each Person that becomes a Lender hereunder pursuant to Section 9.04) hereby authorizes and directs the Administrative Agent to enter into the Intercreditor Agreement on behalf of such Lender and agrees that the Administrative Agent may take such actions on its behalf as is contemplated by the terms of the Intercreditor Agreement.

SECTION 9.20. <u>Acknowledgement and Consent to Bail-In of EEA Financial Institutions</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Loan Document or in any other agreement, arrangement or understanding among any such parties, each party hereto acknowledges that any liability of any EEA Financial Institution arising under any Loan Document, to the extent such liability is unsecured, may be subject to the write-down and conversion powers of an EEA Resolution Authority and agrees and consents to, and acknowledges and agrees to be bound by

- (a) the application of any Write-Down and Conversion Powers by an EEA Resolution Authority to any such liabilities arising hereunder which may be payable to it by any party hereto that is an EEA Financial Institution; and
 - (b) the effects of any Bail-In Action on any such liability, including, if applicable:
 - (i) a reduction in full or in part or cancellation of any such liability;
 - (ii) a conversion of all, or a portion of, such liability into shares or other instruments of ownership in such EEA Financial Institution, its parent entity, or a bridge institution that may be issued to it or otherwise conferred on it, and that such shares or other instruments of ownership will be accepted by it in lieu of any rights with respect to any such liability under this Agreement or any other Loan Document; or

(iii) the variation of the terms of such liability in connection with the exercise of the write-down and conversion powers of any EEA Resolution Authority.

ARTICLE X

LOAN GUARANTY

SECTION 10.01. <u>Guaranty.</u> Each Loan Guarantor hereby agrees that it is jointly and severally liable for, and, as a primary obligor and not merely as surety, absolutely and unconditionally guarantees to the Lenders, the prompt payment when due, whether at stated maturity, upon acceleration or otherwise, and at all times thereafter, of the Obligations and all costs and expenses, including, without limitation, all court costs and attorneys' and paralegals' fees (including allocated costs of in-house counsel and paralegals) and expenses paid or incurred by the Administrative Agent and the Lenders in endeavoring to collect all or any part of the Obligations from, or in prosecuting any action against, any Borrower, any Loan Guarantor or any other guarantor of all or any part of the Obligations (such costs and expenses, together with the Obligations, collectively the "<u>Guaranteed Obligations</u>"). Each Loan Guarantor further agrees that the Guaranteed Obligations may be extended or renewed in whole or in part without notice to or further assent from it, and that it remains bound upon its guarantee notwithstanding any such extension or renewal. All terms of this Loan Guaranty apply to and may be enforced by or on behalf of any domestic or foreign branch or Affiliate of any Lender that extended any portion of the Guaranteed Obligations.

SECTION 10.02. <u>Guaranty of Payment</u>. This Loan Guaranty is a guaranty of payment and not of collection. Each Loan Guarantor waives any right to require the Administrative Agent or any Lender to sue any Borrower, any Loan Guarantor, any other guarantor, or any other Person obligated for all or any part of the Guaranteed Obligations (each, an "<u>Obligated Party</u>"), or otherwise to enforce its payment against any collateral securing all or any part of the Guaranteed Obligations.

SECTION 10.03. No Discharge or Diminishment of Loan Guaranty. (a) Except as otherwise provided for herein, the obligations of each Loan Guarantor hereunder are unconditional and absolute and not subject to any reduction, limitation, impairment or termination for any reason (other than the indefeasible payment in full in cash of the Guaranteed Obligations), including: (i) any claim of waiver, release, extension, renewal, settlement, surrender, alteration or compromise of any of the Guaranteed Obligations, by operation of law or otherwise; (ii) any change in the corporate existence, structure or ownership of any Borrower or any other Obligated Party liable for any of the Guaranteed Obligations; (iii) any insolvency, bankruptcy, reorganization or other similar proceeding affecting any Obligated Party or their assets or any resulting release or discharge of any obligation of any Obligated Party; or (iv) the existence of any claim, setoff or other rights which any Loan Guarantor may have at any time against any Obligated Party, the Administrative Agent, any Lender or any other Person, whether in connection herewith or in any unrelated transactions.

- (b) The obligations of each Loan Guarantor hereunder are not subject to any defense or setoff, counterclaim, recoupment or termination whatsoever by reason of the invalidity, illegality or unenforceability of any of the Guaranteed Obligations or otherwise, or any provision of applicable law or regulation purporting to prohibit payment by any Obligated Party, of the Guaranteed Obligations or any part thereof.
- (c) Further, the obligations of any Loan Guarantor hereunder are not discharged or impaired or otherwise affected by: (i) the failure of the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent or any Lender to assert any claim or demand or to enforce any remedy with respect to all or any part of the Guaranteed Obligations; (ii) any waiver or modification of or supplement to any provision of any agreement relating to the Guaranteed Obligations;

(iii) any release, non-perfection or invalidity of any indirect or direct security for the obligations of any Borrower for all or any part of the Guaranteed Obligations or any obligations of any other Obligated Party liable for any of the Guaranteed Obligations; (iv) any action or failure to act by the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent or any Lender with respect to any collateral securing any part of the Guaranteed Obligations; or (v) any default, failure or delay, willful or otherwise, in the payment or performance of any of the Guaranteed Obligations, or any other circumstance, act, omission or delay that might in any manner or to any extent vary the risk of such Loan Guarantor or that would otherwise operate as a discharge of any Loan Guarantor as a matter of law or equity (other than the indefeasible payment in full in cash of the Guaranteed Obligations).

SECTION 10.04. <u>Defenses Waived.</u> To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, each Loan Guarantor hereby waives any defense based on or arising out of any defense of any Borrower or any Loan Guarantor or the unenforceability of all or any part of the Guaranteed Obligations from any cause, or the cessation from any cause of the liability of any Borrower or any Loan Guarantor, other than the indefeasible payment in full in cash of the Guaranteed Obligations. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Loan Guarantor irrevocably waives acceptance hereof, presentment, demand, protest and, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any notice not provided for herein, as well as any requirement that at any time any action be taken by any Person against any Obligated Party, or any other Person. Each Loan Guarantor confirms that it is not a surety under any state law and shall not raise any such law as a defense to its obligations hereunder. The Collateral Agent may, at its election, foreclose on any Collateral held by it by one or more judicial or non-judicial sales, accept an assignment of any such Collateral in lieu of foreclosure or otherwise act or fail to act with respect to any collateral securing all or a part of the Guaranteed Obligations, compromise or adjust any part of the Guaranteed Obligations, make any other accommodation with any Obligated Party or exercise any other right or remedy available to it against any Obligated Party, without affecting or impairing in any way the liability of such Loan Guarantor under this Loan Guaranty except to the extent the Guaranteed Obligations have been fully and indefeasibly paid in cash. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, each Loan Guarantor waives any defense arising out of any such election even though that election may operate, pursuant to applicable law, to impair or extinguish any right of reimbursement or subrogation or other right or remedy of any Loan Guarantor against any Obligated Party or any security.

SECTION 10.05. <u>Rights of Subrogation</u>. No Loan Guarantor will assert any right, claim or cause of action, including, without limitation, a claim of subrogation, contribution or indemnification, that it has against any Obligated Party, or any collateral, until the Loan Parties and the Loan Guarantors have fully performed all their obligations to the Administrative Agent, the Collateral Agent and the Lenders.

SECTION 10.06. Reinstatement; Stay of Acceleration. If at any time any payment of any portion of the Guaranteed Obligations (including a payment effected through exercise of a right of setoff) is rescinded or must otherwise be restored or returned upon the insolvency, bankruptcy or reorganization of any Borrower or otherwise (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by a Secured Party in its discretion), each Loan Guarantor's obligations under this Loan Guaranty with respect to that payment shall be reinstated at such time as though the payment had not been made and whether or not the Administrative Agent and the Lenders are in possession of this Loan Guaranty. If acceleration of the time for payment of any of the Guaranteed Obligations is stayed upon the insolvency, bankruptcy or reorganization of any Borrower, all such amounts otherwise subject to acceleration under the terms of any agreement relating to the Guaranteed Obligations shall nonetheless be payable by the Loan Guarantors forthwith on demand by the Administrative Agent.

SECTION 10.07. <u>Information</u>. Each Loan Guarantor assumes all responsibility for being and keeping itself informed of the Borrowers' financial condition and assets, and of all other circumstances bearing upon the risk of nonpayment of the Guaranteed Obligations and the nature, scope and extent of the risks that each Loan Guarantor assumes and incurs under this Loan Guaranty, and agrees that neither the Administrative Agent nor any Lender shall have any duty to advise any Loan Guarantor of information known to it regarding those circumstances or risks.

SECTION 10.08. [Intentionally Omitted].

SECTION 10.09. Taxes. Each payment of the Guaranteed Obligations will be made by each Loan Guarantor without withholding for any Taxes, unless such withholding is required by law. If any Loan Guarantor determines, in its sole discretion exercised in good faith, that it is so required to withhold Taxes, then such Loan Guarantor may so withhold and shall timely pay the full amount of withheld Taxes to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with applicable law. If such Taxes are Indemnified Taxes, then the amount payable by such Loan Guarantor shall be increased as necessary so that, net of such withholding (including such withholding applicable to additional amounts payable under this Section), the Administrative Agent or applicable Lender (as the case may be) receives the amount it would have received had no such withholding been made.

SECTION 10.10. <u>Maximum Liability.</u> The provisions of this Loan Guaranty are severable, and in any action or proceeding involving any state corporate law, or any state, federal or foreign bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other law affecting the rights of creditors generally, if the obligations of any Loan Guarantor under this Loan Guaranty would otherwise be held or determined to be avoidable, invalid or unenforceable on account of the amount of such Loan Guarantor's liability under this Loan Guaranty, then, notwithstanding any other provision of this Loan Guaranty to the contrary, the amount of such liability shall, without any further action by the Loan Guarantors or the Administrative Agent or any Lender, be automatically limited and reduced to the highest amount that is valid and enforceable as determined in such action or proceeding (such highest amount determined hereunder being the relevant Loan Guarantor's "Maximum Liability."). This Section with respect to the Maximum Liability of each Loan Guarantor is intended solely to preserve the rights of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders to the maximum extent not subject to avoidance under applicable law, and no Loan Guarantor nor any other Person shall have any right or claim under this Section with respect to such Maximum Liability, except to the extent necessary so that the obligations of any Loan Guarantor hereunder shall not be rendered voidable under applicable law. Each Loan Guarantor agrees that the Guaranteed Obligations may at any time and from time to time exceed the Maximum Liability of each Loan Guarantor without impairing this Loan Guaranty or affecting the rights and remedies of the Administrative Agent or the Lenders hereunder; <u>provided</u> that, nothing in this sentence shall be construed to increase any Loan Guarantor's obligations hereunder beyond its Maximum Liability.

SECTION 10.11. <u>Contribution</u>. In the event any Loan Guarantor (a "<u>Paying Guarantor</u>") shall make any payment or payments under this Loan Guaranty or shall suffer any loss as a result of any realization upon any collateral granted by it to secure its obligations under this Loan Guaranty, each other Loan Guarantor (each a "<u>Non-Paying Guarantor</u>") shall contribute to such Paying Guarantor an amount equal to such Non-Paying Guarantor's "Contribution Percentage" of such payment or payments made, or losses suffered, by such Paying Guarantor. For purposes of this <u>Article X</u>, each Non-Paying Guarantor's "<u>Contribution Percentage</u>" with respect to any such payment or loss by a Paying Guarantor shall be determined as of the date on which such payment or loss was made by reference to the ratio of (i) such Non-Paying Guarantor's Maximum Liability as of such date (without giving effect to any right to receive, or obligation to make, any contribution hereunder) or, if such Non-Paying Guarantor's Maximum Liability has not been determined, the aggregate amount of all monies received by such Non-Paying Guarantors hereunder (including such Paying Guarantor) as of such date (without giving effect to any right to receive, or obligation to make, any contribution hereunder), or to the extent that a Maximum Liability has not been determined for any Loan Guarantor, the aggregate amount of all monies received by such Loan Guarantors from the Borrowers after the Effective Date (whether by loan, capital infusion or by other means).

Nothing in this provision shall affect any Loan Guarantor's several liability for the entire amount of the Guaranteed Obligations (up to such Loan Guarantor's Maximum Liability). Each of the Loan Guarantors covenants and agrees that its right to receive any contribution under this Loan Guaranty from a Non-Paying Guarantor shall be subordinate and junior in right of payment to the payment in full in cash of the Guaranteed Obligations. This provision is for the benefit of all of the Administrative Agent, the Lenders and the Loan Guarantors and may be enforced by any one, or more, or all of them in accordance with the terms hereof.

SECTION 10.12. <u>Liability Cumulative</u>. The liability of each Loan Party as a Loan Guarantor under this <u>Article X</u> is in addition to and shall be cumulative with all liabilities of each Loan Party to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents to which such Loan Party is a party or in respect of any obligations or liabilities of the other Loan Parties, without any limitation as to amount, unless the instrument or agreement evidencing or creating such other liability specifically provides to the contrary.

ARTICLE XI

THE BORROWER REPRESENTATIVE

SECTION 11.01. <u>Appointment; Nature of Relationship.</u> Holdings is hereby appointed by each of the Borrowers as its contractual representative (herein referred to as the "<u>Borrower Representative</u>" hereunder and under each other Loan Document, and each of the Borrowers irrevocably authorizes the Borrower Representative to act as the contractual representative of such Borrower with the rights and duties expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents. The Borrower Representative agrees to act as such contractual representative upon the express conditions contained in this <u>Article XI.</u> The Administrative Agent and the Lenders, and their respective officers, directors, agents or employees, shall not be liable to the Borrower Representative or any Borrower for any action taken or omitted to be taken by the Borrower Representative or the Borrowers pursuant to this <u>Section 11.01</u>.

SECTION 11.02. <u>Powers</u>. The Borrower Representative shall have and may exercise such powers under the Loan Documents as are specifically delegated to the Borrower Representative by the terms of each thereof, together with such powers as are reasonably incidental thereto. The Borrower Representative shall have no implied duties to the Borrowers, or any obligation to the Lenders to take any action thereunder except any action specifically provided by the Loan Documents to be taken by the Borrower Representative.

SECTION 11.03. <u>Employment of Agents</u>. The Borrower Representative may execute any of its duties as the Borrower Representative hereunder and under any other Loan Document by or through authorized officers.

SECTION 11.04. <u>Notices</u>. Each Borrower shall immediately notify the Borrower Representative of the occurrence of any Default hereunder describing such Default and stating that such notice is a "notice of default". In the event that the Borrower Representative receives such a notice, the Borrower Representative shall give prompt notice thereof to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders. Any notice provided to the Borrower Representative hereunder shall constitute notice to each Borrower on the date received by the Borrower Representative.

SECTION 11.05. <u>Successor Borrower Representative</u>. Upon the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent, the Borrower Representative may resign at any time, such resignation to be effective upon the appointment of a successor Borrower Representative. The Administrative Agent shall give prompt written notice of such resignation to the Lenders.

SECTION 11.06. Execution of Loan Documents. The Borrowers hereby empower and authorize the Borrower Representative, on behalf of the Borrowers, to execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders the Loan Documents and all related agreements, certificates, documents, or instruments as shall be necessary or appropriate to effect the purposes of the Loan Documents, including, without limitation, the Financials Certificates. Each Borrower agrees that any action taken by the Borrower Representative or the Borrowers in accordance with the terms of this Agreement or the other Loan Documents, and the exercise by the Borrower Representative of its powers set forth therein or herein, together with such other powers that are reasonably incidental thereto, shall be binding upon all of the Borrowers.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed and delivered by their respective authorized officers as of the day and year first above written.

BORROWERS:

CHEFS' WAREHOUSE PARENT, LLC,

as a Borrower

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

DAIRYLAND USA CORPORATION,

as a Borrower

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

ALLEN BROTHERS 1893, LLC

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

BEL CANTO FOODS, LLC

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

CW LV REAL ESTATE LLC

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

DEL MONTE CAPITOL MEAT COMPANY HOLDINGS, LLC

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

DEL MONTE CAPITOL MEAT COMPANY, LLC

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

MICHAEL'S FINER MEATS, LLC

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

MICHAEL'S FINER MEATS HOLDINGS, LLC

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

QZ ACQUSITIONS (USA), INC.

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

QZINA SPECIALTY FOODS (AMBASSADOR), INC.

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

QZINA SPECIALTY FOODS NORTH AMERICA (USA), INC.

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

QZINA SPECIALTY FOODS, INC.

a Washington corporation

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

QZINA SPECIALTY FOODS, INC.

A Florida corporation

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

THE CHEF'S WAREHOUSE OF FLORIDA, LLC

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

THE CHEF'S WAREHOUSE PASTRY DIVISION, INC.

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

THE CHEF'S WAREHOUSE WEST COAST, LLC

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

THE CHEF'S WAREHOUSE, INC.

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

THE GREAT STEAKHOUSE STEAKS, LLC

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

THE CHEF'S WAREHOUSE MIDWEST, LLC

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

THE CHEF'S WAREHOUSE MID-ATLANTIC, LLC

By /s/ Alexandros Aldous

Name: Alexandros Aldous

Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

JEFFERIES FINANCE LLC,

individually as a Lender, as Administrative Agent and as Collateral Agent

By _/s/ Brian Bouye

Name: Brian Bouye Title: Managing Director

SCHEDULE 2.01(A)

TERM COMMITMENT SCHEDULE

Lender	Term Commitment
Jefferies Finance LLC	\$305,000,000
Total	\$305,000,000

SCHEDULE 2.01(B)

DDTL COMMITMENT SCHEDULE

Lender	DDTL Commitment
Jefferies Finance LLC	\$50,000,000
Total	\$50,000,000

The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. Completes Refinancing of Credit Facilities

Ridgefield, CT, June 21, 2016— The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. (NASDAQ: CHEF), ("the Company") a premier distributor of specialty food products in the United States, announced today that it has successfully completed the refinancing of its senior secured credit facilities. The Company has entered into a new \$305 million term loan facility and a \$50 million delayed draw term loan facility due in 2022. In addition, the Company entered into a five year \$75 million asset backed revolving credit facility. Proceeds from the new term loan were used to refinance the Company's existing revolving credit facility, retire its outstanding senior secured notes, pay related fees, costs and expenses and for general corporate purposes. The proceeds of the delayed draw term loan facility will be used for permitted acquisitions and general corporate purposes. The interest rate for the new term loan is LIBOR plus 4.75% with a LIBOR floor of 1.0%. Total fees and expenses incurred to refinance the credit facilities, including make-whole premiums on the company's existing senior secured notes and the original issue discount on the new term loans, are approximately \$30.2 million.

"We are very happy to close on these new credit facilities, which will give us the incremental capital to make additional accretive acquisitions," said Chris Pappas, chairman and chief executive officer of The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. "In addition, the covenant lite structure of these facilities gives us more flexibility to grow and operate our business."

Forward-Looking Statements

Safe Harbor Statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995: Statements in this press release regarding the Company's business that are not historical facts are "forward-looking statements" that involve risks and uncertainties and are based on current expectations and management estimates; actual results may differ materially. The risks and uncertainties which could impact these statements include, but are not limited to, the Company's ability to successfully deploy its operational initiatives to achieve synergies from the acquisition of the Del Monte entities; the Company's sensitivity to general economic conditions, including the current economic environment, changes in disposable income levels and consumer discretionary spending on food-away-from-home purchases; the Company's vulnerability to economic and other developments in the geographic markets in which it operates; the risks of supply chain interruptions due to a lack of long-term contracts, severe weather or more prolonged climate change, work stoppages or otherwise; the risk of loss of customers due to the fact that the Company does not customarily have long-term contracts with its customers; the risks of loss of revenue or reductions in operating margins in the Company's protein business as a result of competitive pressures within this segment of the Company's business; changes in the availability or cost of the Company's specialty food products; the ability to effectively price the Company's specialty food products and reduce the Company's expenses; the relatively low margins of the foodservice distribution industry and the Company's and its customers' sensitivity to inflationary and deflationary pressures; the Company's ability to successfully identify, obtain financing for and complete acquisitions of other foodservice distributors and to integrate and realize expected synergies from those acquisitions; the Company's ability to begin servicing customers from its new Chicago. San Francisco and Las Vegas distribution centers and the expenses associated therewith; increased fuel cost volatility and expectations regarding the use of fuel surcharges; fluctuations in the wholesale prices of beef, poultry and seafood, including increases in these prices as a result of increases in the cost of feeding and caring for livestock; the loss of key members of the Company's management team and the Company's ability to replace such personnel; and the strain on the Company's infrastructure and resources caused by its growth.

Any forward-looking statements are made pursuant to the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and, as such, speak only as of the date made. A more detailed description of these and other risk factors is contained in the Company's most recent annual report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on March 4, 2016 and other reports filed by the Company with the SEC since that date. The Company is not undertaking to update any information in the foregoing report until the effective date of its future reports required by applicable laws. Any projections of future results of operations are based on a number of assumptions, many of which are outside the Company's control and should not be construed in any manner as a guarantee that such results will in fact occur. These projections are subject to change and could differ materially from final reported results. The Company may from time to time update these publicly announced projections, but it is not obligated to do so.

About The Chefs' Warehouse

The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. (http://www.chefswarehouse.com) is a premier distributor of specialty food products in the United States and Canada focused on serving the specific needs of chefs who own and/or operate some of the nation's leading menu-driven independent restaurants, fine dining establishments, country clubs, hotels, caterers, culinary schools, bakeries, patisseries, chocolatiers, cruise lines, casinos and specialty food stores. The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. carries and distributes more than 34,000 products to more than 26,000 customer locations throughout the United States and Canada.

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