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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 14, 2021 (April 14, 2021)

**CoreCivic, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-16109  
(Commission File Number)

62-1763875  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

5501 Virginia Way, Brentwood, Tennessee 37027  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(615) 263-3000  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable  
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Title of each class	Trading Symbol	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock	CXW	New York Stock Exchange

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Emerging growth company

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

## Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On April 14, 2021, CoreCivic, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the “Company”), completed an underwritten public offering of \$450.0 million aggregate principal amount of 8.25% senior unsecured notes due 2026 (the “Notes”), which are fully and unconditionally guaranteed, on a senior unsecured basis, by the Guarantors (as defined below) (the “Guarantees”).

The terms of the Notes are governed by an indenture, dated as of September 25, 2015 (the “Base Indenture”), by and between the Company, as issuer, and Regions Bank (as successor to U.S. Bank National Association), as trustee (the “Trustee”), as amended and supplemented by the third supplemental indenture dated as of April 14, 2021 (the “Supplemental Indenture”), by and among the Company, the Trustee, and the subsidiary guarantors set forth therein (the “Guarantors”). As set forth in the Supplemental Indenture, interest on the Notes will be payable semi-annually in cash in arrears on April 15 and October 15 of each year, beginning October 15, 2021 and will mature on April 15, 2026.

The Notes are general unsecured senior obligations of the Company, ranking equal in right of payment with existing and future senior unsecured indebtedness, including \$250 million principal amount of 5.00% senior notes due 2022, \$350 million principal amount of 4.625% senior notes due 2023, and \$250 million principal amount of 4.75% senior notes due 2027. The Notes are effectively junior to all of our existing and future secured indebtedness, including amounts outstanding under our credit facilities, to the extent of the value of the collateral securing such indebtedness. The Guarantees rank equally in right of payment with the applicable Guarantor’s existing and future senior unsecured indebtedness and senior in right of payment to any future subordinated indebtedness of such Guarantor. The Guarantees are effectively junior to any secured indebtedness of any Guarantor, including guarantees of our credit facilities, to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness. The Notes are structurally junior to all indebtedness and other obligations of the Company’s subsidiaries that do not guarantee the Notes.

At any time before April 15, 2024, the Notes are redeemable at our election, in whole or in part, at a redemption price equal to the greater of:

(1) 100% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed; and

(2) as determined by an Independent Investment Banker (as defined in the Supplemental Indenture), the sum of the present values as of such redemption date of (i) the redemption price of the Notes on April 15, 2024 (set forth in the immediately following paragraph) and (ii) the remaining scheduled payments of interest on the Notes to be redeemed through April 15, 2024 (not including any portion of such payments of interest accrued to the date of redemption) discounted to the redemption date on a semiannual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Adjusted Treasury Rate (as defined in the Supplemental Indenture) for the Notes, plus 50 basis points;

plus, in either of the above cases, accrued and unpaid interest to the date of redemption on the Notes to be redeemed.

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On or after April 15, 2024, the Notes are redeemable at our election, in whole or in part, at the redemption prices (expressed as percentages of the principal amount thereof) set forth below, plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon to, but not including, the redemption date, if redeemed during the 12-month period beginning on April 15 of each of the years indicated below:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
2024	104.125%
2025 and thereafter	100.000%

If the optional redemption date is on or after an interest record date and on or before the related interest payment date, the accrued and unpaid interest, if any, will be paid to the person in whose name the Note is registered at the close of business on such record date.

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

If we experience certain kinds of changes of control, we must offer to purchase the Notes at a redemption price equal to 101% of the principal amount, plus any accrued and unpaid interest if any, to the date of purchase.

The Supplemental Indenture contains covenants that limit, among other things, our ability and the ability of some of our subsidiaries to: (i) incur indebtedness; (ii) pay dividends, prepay indebtedness ranking junior to the Notes or make investments; (iii) incur certain liens; and (iv) consolidate, merge or transfer all or substantially all of our assets.

The foregoing description of the Base Indenture and the Supplemental Indenture, including the Form of 8.25% Note due 2026 attached thereto, does not purport to be complete and each such description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Base Indenture, the Supplemental Indenture and the Form of 8.25% Note due 2026, as applicable, copies of which are filed as Exhibit 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3, respectively, to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

### **Item 2.03      Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation**

The information set forth above under Item 1.01 is hereby incorporated by reference into this Item 2.03.

### **Item 8.01      Other Events**

Certain legal opinions relating to the legality of the Notes and the Guarantees are attached as Exhibits 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.5, 5.6 and 5.7 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

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(d) Exhibits.

- [4.1](#) Indenture, dated as of September 25, 2015, by and between the Company and Regions Banks, successor-in-interest to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee (previously filed as Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on September 25, 2015 and incorporated herein by this reference).
  - [4.2](#) Third Supplemental Indenture, dated as of April 14, 2021, by and among the Company, certain subsidiary guarantors and Regions Bank, as Trustee.
  - [4.3](#) Form of 8.25% Note due 2026 (included in Exhibit 4.2).
  - [5.1](#) Opinion of Bass, Berry & Sims PLC.
  - [5.2](#) Opinion of Miles & Stockbridge P.C., as to matters of Maryland law.
  - [5.3](#) Opinion of Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP, as to matters of Nevada law.
  - [5.4](#) Opinion of Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP, as to matters of Colorado law.
  - [5.5](#) Opinion of Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP, as to matters of California law.
  - [5.6](#) Opinion of McAfee & Taft, as to matters of Oklahoma law.
  - [5.7](#) Opinion of Liechty, McGinnis, Berryman & Bowen, LLP, as to matters of Texas law.
  - [23.1](#) Consent of Bass, Berry & Sims PLC (included in Exhibit 5.1).
  - [23.2](#) Consent of Miles & Stockbridge P.C. (included in Exhibit 5.2).
  - 23.3 Consent of Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP (included in Exhibit [5.3](#), [5.4](#) and [5.5](#)).
  - [23.4](#) Consent of McAfee & Taft (included in Exhibit 5.6).
  - [23.5](#) Consent of Liechty, McGinnis, Berryman & Bowen, LLP (included in Exhibit 5.7).
  - 104 Cover Page Interactive Data File. The cover page XBRL tags are embedded within the inline XBRL document (contained in Exhibit 101).
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**SIGNATURE**

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.

Date: April 14, 2021

CORECIVIC, INC.

By: /s/ David Garfinkle

David Garfinkle

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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**CORECIVIC, INC.**  
as Issuer,

the **GUARANTORS** named herein,  
as Guarantors,

and

**REGIONS BANK,**  
as Trustee

**THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE**

**Dated as of April 14, 2021**

**8.25% Senior Notes due 2026**

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CROSS-REFERENCE TABLE

Trust Indenture Act Section	Indenture Section
310(a)(1)	7.10
(a)(2)	7.10
(a)(3)	N.A.
(a)(4)	N.A.
(a)(5)	7.08; 7.10
(b)	7.08; 7.10;
	11.02
(c)	N.A.
311(a)	7.11
(b)	7.11
(c)	N.A.
312(a)	2.05
(b)	12.03
(c)	12.03
313(a)	7.06
(b)(1)	7.06
(b)(2)	7.06
(c)	7.06
(d)	7.06
314(a)	4.04; 4.09
(b)	N.A.
(c)(1)	12.04
(c)(2)	12.04
(c)(3)	N.A.
(d)	N.A.
(e)	12.05
(f)	N.A.
315(a)	7.01(b);
	7.02(a)
(b)	7.05; 11.02
(c)	7.01
(d)	6.05; 7.01 (c)
(e)	6.11
316(a)(last sentence)	2.09
(a)(1)(A)	6.05
(a)(1)(B)	6.04
(a)(2)	N.A.
(b)	6.07
(c)	9.04
317(a)(1)	6.08
(a)(2)	6.09
(b)	2.04
318(a)	11.01
(b)	11.01

N.A. means not applicable.

Note: This Cross-Reference Table shall not, for any purpose, be deemed to be a part of this Indenture.

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**THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE** dated as of April 14, 2021 (this “Supplemental Indenture”), among CoreCivic, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the “Issuer”), each of the Guarantors named herein, as Guarantors, and Regions Bank, existing under the laws of the United States of America, as Trustee (the “Trustee”).

**WHEREAS**, the Issuer and the Trustee have executed and delivered the indenture, dated as of September 25, 2015 (the “Base Indenture”), to provide for the issuance from time to time of Securities (as defined in the Base Indenture) in one or more Series (as defined in the Base Indenture); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the terms of the Base Indenture, the Issuer desires to provide for the establishment of a new Series of Securities under the Base Indenture to be known as its “8.25% Senior Notes due 2026”, the form and substance and the terms, provisions and conditions thereof to be set forth as provided in the Base Indenture and this Supplemental Indenture; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the Issuer pursuant to resolutions duly adopted on April 6, 2021, and the pricing committee of the Board of Directors of the Issuer pursuant to resolutions duly adopted on April 7, 2021, have duly authorized the issuance of \$450.0 million aggregate principal amount of its 8.25% Senior Notes due 2026 and have authorized the proper officers of the Issuer to execute any and all appropriate documents necessary or appropriate to effect such issuance; and

**WHEREAS**, this Supplemental Indenture is being entered into pursuant to the provisions of Article IX of the Base Indenture to establish the form and terms of the Notes (as defined herein) in accordance with Sections 2.1 and 2.2 of the Base Indenture and to establish the form and terms of the Guarantees (as defined in the Base Indenture) by the Guarantors (as defined herein) of the Notes in accordance with Article XII of the Base Indenture; and

**WHEREAS**, the Issuer has requested that the Trustee execute and deliver this Supplemental Indenture; and

**WHEREAS**, all things and acts necessary to make this Supplemental Indenture the legal, valid and binding obligation of the Issuer and the Guarantors, and to make the Notes, when executed by the Issuer and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee, the legal, valid and binding obligation of the Issuer, have been performed, and the execution and delivery of this Supplemental Indenture, the Subsidiary Guarantees (as defined herein) and the Notes have been duly authorized in all respects;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the foregoing, the parties hereto, for the benefit of each other and for the equal and proportionate benefit of all Persons who hereafter become Holders (as defined herein) of Notes, hereby enter into this Supplemental Indenture, which amends, modifies, supplements and restates (as applicable) the Base Indenture with respect to (and only with respect to) the Notes, as follows:

## **ARTICLE ONE DEFINITIONS AND INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE**

SECTION 1.01. Definitions. Set forth below are certain defined terms used in this Indenture.

“Acquired Debt” means with respect to any specified Person:

(1) Indebtedness of any other Person existing at the time such other Person is merged with or into or became a Subsidiary of such specified Person, whether or not such Indebtedness is incurred in connection with, or in contemplation of, such other Person merging with or into, or becoming a Restricted Subsidiary of, such specified Person; and

(2) Indebtedness secured by a Lien encumbering any asset acquired by such specified Person.

“Adjusted Total Assets” means the sum of:

(3) Total Assets of the Issuer as of the end of the of the most recent fiscal quarter as set forth on the most recent quarterly or annual consolidated balance sheet of the Issuer prepared in conformity with GAAP; and

(4) any increase or decrease in Total Assets following the end of such quarter to the date for which Adjusted Total Assets is being calculated, determined on a *pro forma* basis, including, without limitation, giving any *pro forma* increase or decrease in Total Assets resulting from the transaction with respect to which Adjusted Total Assets is being calculated.

“Adjusted Treasury Rate” means, with respect to any redemption date:

(1) the yield, under the heading which represents the average for the immediately preceding week, appearing in the most recently published statistical release designated “H.15(519)” or any successor publication which is published weekly by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and which establishes yields on actively traded United States Treasury securities adjusted to constant maturity under the caption “Treasury Constant Maturities,” for the maturity corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue (if no maturity is within three months before or after the Remaining Life, yields for the two published maturities most closely corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue shall be determined and the Adjusted Treasury Rate shall be interpolated or extrapolated from such yields on a straight line basis, rounding to the nearest month); or

(2) if such release (or any successor release) is not published during the week preceding the calculation date or does not contain such yields, the rate per annum equal to the semiannual equivalent yield to maturity of the Comparable Treasury Issue, calculated using a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for such redemption date.

The Adjusted Treasury Rate shall be calculated on the third Business Day preceding the redemption date or, in the case of a satisfaction and discharge at the time a redemption notice is delivered, two Business Days prior to the deposit of funds with the Trustee in accordance with the terms of this Indenture for such satisfaction and discharge.

“Affiliate” of any specified Person means any other Person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person. For purposes of this definition, “control,” as used with respect to any Person, means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of such Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by agreement or otherwise; *provided* that beneficial ownership of 10% or more of the Voting Stock of a Person will be deemed to be control. For purposes of this definition, the terms “controlling,” “controlled by” and “under common control with” have correlative meanings.

“Agent” means any Registrar or Paying Agent.

“Asset Disposition” means the disposition of any or all of the assets (including the Capital Stock of a Subsidiary or any ownership interest in a joint venture) of the Issuer or any Subsidiary thereof whether by sale, lease, transfer or otherwise. The term “Asset Disposition” shall not include any issuance of Equity Interests of the Issuer or any direct or indirect parent or the Issuer.

“Bankruptcy Law” means Title 11, U.S. Code or any similar federal or state law for the relief of debtors.

“Bank Credit Agreement” means the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of April 17, 2018, by and among the Issuer, the administrative agent, and certain lenders and other parties thereto, as amended by the First Amendment to Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of August 4, 2020, and any related notes, guarantees, collateral documents, instruments and agreements executed in connection therewith, and in each case as further amended (and/or amended and restated), modified, renewed, refunded, replaced or refinanced from time to time, in whole or in part, with the same or different lenders (including, without limitation, any amendment, amendment and restatement, modification, renewal, refunding, replacement or refinancing that increases the maximum amount of the loans made or to be made thereunder).

“Bank Credit Facilities” means the \$200.0 million term loan A and the \$800.0 million revolving credit facility provided pursuant to the Bank Credit Agreement.

“Beneficial Owner” has the meaning assigned to such term in Rule 13d-3 and Rule 13d-5 under the Exchange Act, except that in calculating the beneficial ownership of any particular “person” (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act), such “person” will be deemed to have beneficial ownership of all securities that such “person” has the right to acquire by conversion or exercise of other securities, whether such right is currently exercisable or is exercisable only upon the occurrence of a subsequent condition. The terms “Beneficially Owns” and “Beneficially Owned” have a corresponding meaning.

“Board of Directors” means:

- (1) with respect to a corporation, the board of directors of the corporation or any committee thereof duly authorized to act on behalf of such board;
- (2) with respect to a partnership, the board of directors of the general partner of the partnership;
- (3) with respect to a limited liability company, the managing member or members or any controlling committee of managing members thereof; and
- (4) with respect to any other Person, the board or committee of such Person serving a similar function.

“Business Day” means a day other than a Saturday, Sunday or any other day on which banking institutions in New York City or the location of the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee are authorized or required by law, regulation or executive order to close.

“Capital Lease Obligation” means, at the time any determination is to be made, the amount of the liability in respect of a capital lease that would at that time be required to be capitalized on a balance sheet in accordance with GAAP.

“Capital Stock” means:

- (1) in the case of a corporation, corporate stock;
- (2) in the case of an association or business entity, any and all shares, interests, participations, rights or other equivalents (however designated) of corporate stock;
- (3) in the case of a partnership or limited liability company, partnership interests (whether general or limited) or membership interests; and
- (4) any other interest or participation that confers on a Person the right to receive a share of the profits and losses of, or distributions of assets of, the issuing Person; but excluding from all of the foregoing any debt securities convertible into Capital Stock, whether or not such debt securities include any right of participation with Capital Stock.

“Cash Equivalents” means:

- (1) United States dollars;
- (2) securities issued or directly and fully guaranteed or insured by the United States government or any agency or instrumentality of the United States government (provided that the full faith and credit of the United States is pledged in support of those securities) having maturities of not more than six months from the date of acquisition;

(3) certificates of deposit and Eurodollar time deposits with maturities of six months or less from the date of acquisition, bankers' acceptances with maturities not exceeding six months and overnight bank deposits, in each case, with any lender party to the Credit Agreement or with any domestic commercial bank having capital and surplus in excess of \$500.0 million and a Thomson Bank Watch Rating of "B" or better;

(4) repurchase obligations with a term of not more than seven days for underlying securities of the types described in clauses (2) and (3) above entered into with any financial institution meeting the qualifications specified in clause (3) above;

(5) commercial paper having one of the two highest ratings obtainable from Moody's or S&P and, in each case, maturing within six months after the date of acquisition; and

(6) money market funds at least 95% of the assets of which constitute Cash Equivalents of the kinds described in clauses (1) through (5) of this definition.

"Change of Control" means the occurrence of any of the following:

(1) the direct or indirect sale, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (other than by way of merger or consolidation), in one or a series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of the properties or assets of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, to any "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act);

(2) the approval by the holders of the Voting Stock of the Issuer of a plan relating to the liquidation or dissolution of the Issuer or if no such approval is required, the adoption of a plan relating to the liquidation or dissolution of the Issuer by its Board of Directors;

(3) the consummation of any transaction (including, without limitation, any merger or consolidation) the result of which is that any "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) becomes the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Voting Stock of the Issuer;

(4) the Issuer consolidates with, or merges with or into, any Person, or any Person consolidates with, or merges with or into, the Issuer, in any such event pursuant to a transaction in which any of the outstanding Voting Stock of the Issuer or such other Person is converted into or exchanged for cash, securities or other property, other than any such transaction where the Voting Stock of the Issuer outstanding immediately prior to such transaction is converted into or exchanged for Voting Stock (other than Disqualified Stock) of the surviving or transferee Person constituting a 45% or more of the outstanding shares of such Voting Stock of such surviving or transferee Person (immediately after giving effect to such issuance); or

(5) the first day on which a majority of the members of the Board of Directors of the Issuer are not Continuing Directors.

"Comparable Treasury Issue" means the United States Treasury security selected by an Independent Investment Banker as having an actual or interpolated maturity comparable to the period from the redemption date to April 15, 2024 that would be utilized, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities of comparable maturity to the remaining term of the Notes ("Remaining Life").

"Comparable Treasury Price" means, for any redemption date, (1) the average of four Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for such redemption date, after excluding the highest and lowest Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, or (2) if the Independent Investment Banker obtains fewer than four such Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations the average of all such quotations.

"Consolidated" means, when used with reference to financial statements or financial statement items of any Person, such statements or items on a consolidated basis in accordance with applicable principles of consolidation under GAAP.

“Consolidated EBITDA” means, for any period, the Consolidated Net Income of the Issuer and its Restricted Subsidiaries for such period, plus (a) provision for taxes based on income or profits of the Issuer and its Restricted Subsidiaries for such period, to the extent that such provision for taxes was deducted in computing such Consolidated Net Income, plus (b) Consolidated Interest Expense for such period, whether paid or accrued and whether or not capitalized, to the extent that any such expense was deducted in computing such Consolidated Net Income, plus (c) depreciation, amortization (including amortization of intangibles but excluding amortization of prepaid cash expenses that were paid in a prior period) and other non-cash expenses (including minority interest expense, but excluding any such non-cash expense to the extent that it represents an accrual of or reserve for cash expenses in any future period or amortization of a prepaid cash expense that was paid in a prior period) of the Issuer and its Restricted Subsidiaries for such period, to the extent that such depreciation, amortization and other non-cash expenses were deducted in computing such Consolidated Net Income, minus (d) non-cash items (including gains attributable to minority interests) increasing such Consolidated Net Income for such period, other than the accrual of revenue in the ordinary course of business, minus (e) extraordinary, unusual or non-recurring gains to the extent such gains were included in computing such Consolidated Net Income, in each case, on a Consolidated basis and determined in accordance with GAAP. For purposes of the Indenture, Consolidated EBITDA shall be adjusted on a pro forma basis, to include, as of the first day of any applicable period, any acquisitions (if accounted for as a merger or consolidation) and any Asset Dispositions (excluding any Asset Disposition for an aggregate consideration of \$10.0 million or less) closed during such period, including adjustments reflecting any non-recurring costs and any extraordinary expenses of any acquisitions and any Asset Dispositions closed during such period calculated on a basis consistent with GAAP and Regulation S-X of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended or as the Issuer otherwise determines in good faith to be reasonable.

“Consolidated Interest Expense” means, with respect to the Issuer and its Restricted Subsidiaries for any period, the interest expense (including interest expense attributable to Capital Lease Obligations and all net payment obligations pursuant to Hedging Agreements) of the Issuer and its Restricted Subsidiaries, all determined for such period on a Consolidated basis, without duplication, in accordance with GAAP.

“Consolidated Net Income” means, with respect to the Issuer and its Restricted Subsidiaries, for any period, the aggregate of the Net Income of the Issuer and its Restricted Subsidiaries for such period, on a Consolidated basis; provided that: (a) the Net Income (but not loss) of any Person that is not a Restricted Subsidiary or that is accounted for by the equity method of accounting will be included only to the extent of the amount of dividends or distributions paid in cash to the Issuer or a Restricted Subsidiary, (b) the Net Income of any Restricted Subsidiary will be excluded to the extent that the declaration or payment of dividends or similar distributions by that Restricted Subsidiary of that Net Income is not at the date of determination permitted without any prior governmental approval (that has not been obtained) or, directly or indirectly, by operation of the terms of its charter or any agreement, instrument, judgment, decree, order, statute, rule or governmental regulation applicable to that Restricted Subsidiary or its stockholders, (c) the cumulative effect of changes in accounting principles will be excluded, (d) the Net Income or loss of any Unrestricted Subsidiary will be excluded, whether or not distributed to the Issuer or one of its Subsidiaries, and (e) an amount equal to any extraordinary, unusual or non-recurring charges, plus any net loss realized by the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in connection with an Asset Disposition will be included. “Continuing Directors” means, as of any date of determination, any member of the Board of Directors of the Issuer who:

(1) was a member of such Board of Directors on the Issue Date; or

(2) was nominated for election or elected to such Board of Directors with the approval of a majority of the Continuing Directors who were members of such Board at the time of such nomination or election.

“Corporate Trust Office” for administration of this Indenture means the corporate trust office of the Trustee located at One Federal Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Boston, MA 02110, Attention: Corporate Trust Services, or such other office, designated by the Trustee by written notice to the Issuer, at which at any particular time its corporate trust business shall be administered.

“Credit Agreement” means the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of January 6, 2012, by and among the Issuer, Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, and certain lenders and other parties thereto, as amended by the First Amendment to Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of March 22, 2013, as further amended by the Second Amendment to Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of July 22, 2015 and by the Third Amendment and Incremental Term Loan Agreement to the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of October 6, 2015, and any related notes, guarantees, collateral documents, instruments and agreements executed in connection therewith, and in each case as further amended (and/or amended and restated), modified, renewed, refunded, replaced or refinanced from time to time, in whole or in part, with the same or different lenders (including, without limitation, any amendment, amendment and restatement, modification, renewal, refunding, replacement or refinancing that increases the maximum amount of the loans made or to be made thereunder).

“Credit Facilities” means, one or more credit or debt facilities (including, without limitation, the Bank Credit Facilities and the Term Loan B), financings, commercial paper facilities, note purchase agreements or other debt instruments, indentures or agreements providing for revolving credit loans, term loans, notes, securities, receivables financing (including through the sale of receivables to such lenders or to special purpose entities formed to borrow from such lenders against such receivables), letters of credit or issuances of debt securities or other Obligations, in each case, as amended (and/or amended and restated), restated, modified, renewed, refunded, replaced (whether upon or after termination or otherwise) or refinanced in whole or in part from time to time.

“Default” means any event that is, or with the passage of time or the giving of notice or both would be, an Event of Default.

“Depository” means The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, or a successor thereto registered under the Exchange Act or other applicable statute or regulation.

“Disqualified Stock” means any Capital Stock that, by its terms (or by the terms of any security into which it is convertible, or for which it is exchangeable, in each case at the option of the holder of the Capital Stock), or upon the happening of any event, matures or is mandatorily redeemable, pursuant to a sinking fund obligation or otherwise, or redeemable at the option of the holder of the Capital Stock, in whole or in part, on or prior to the date that is 91 days after the date on which the Notes mature. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, any Capital Stock that would constitute Disqualified Stock solely because the holders of the Capital Stock have the right to require the Issuer to repurchase such Capital Stock upon the occurrence of a change of control or an asset sale will not constitute Disqualified Stock if the terms of such Capital Stock provide that the Issuer may not repurchase or redeem any such Capital Stock pursuant to such provisions.

“Domestic Subsidiary” means (i) prior to the Drop Away Date, any Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer, and (ii) from and after the Drop Away Date, any Subsidiary of the Issuer, in each case that was formed under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States (but not the laws of Puerto Rico) or the District of Columbia.

“Equity Interests” means Capital Stock and all warrants, options or other rights to acquire Capital Stock (but excluding any debt security that is convertible into, or exchangeable for, Capital Stock).

“Event of Default” means any event that is described under Section 6.01.

“Exchange Act” means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or any successor statute or statutes thereto.

“Existing Indebtedness” means all Indebtedness of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries (other than Indebtedness under the Revolving Credit Facility) in existence on the date of this Indenture, until such amounts are repaid.

“Fair Market Value” means the value that would be paid by a willing buyer to an unaffiliated willing seller in a transaction not involving distress or necessity of either party, determined in good faith by the Board of Directors of the Issuer (unless otherwise provided in this Indenture), whose determination will be conclusive if evidenced by a resolution of the Board of Directors.

“Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio” means with respect to any specified Person for any period, the ratio of the Consolidated EBITDA of such Person for such period to the Fixed Charges of such Person for such period. In the event that the specified Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries incurs, assumes, guarantees, repays, repurchases, redeems, defeases or otherwise discharges any Indebtedness (other than ordinary working capital borrowings) or issues, repurchases or redeems preferred stock subsequent to the commencement of the period for which the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio is being calculated and on or prior to the date on which the event for which the calculation of the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio is made (the “Calculation Date”), then the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio will be calculated giving pro forma effect (in accordance with Regulation S-X under the Securities Act) to such incurrence, assumption, guarantee, repayment, repurchase, redemption, defeasance or other discharge of Indebtedness, or such issuance, repurchase or redemption of preferred stock, and the use of the proceeds therefrom, as if the same had occurred at the beginning of the applicable four-quarter reference period.

In addition, for purposes of calculating the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio: (i) acquisitions that have been made by the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, including through mergers or consolidations and including any related financing transactions, during the four-quarter reference period or subsequent to such reference period and on or prior to the Calculation Date shall be given pro forma effect as if they had occurred on the first day of the four-quarter reference period, (ii) the Consolidated EBITDA attributable to discontinued operations, as determined in accordance with GAAP, and operations or businesses disposed of prior to the Calculation Date, shall be excluded, and (iii) the Fixed Charges attributable to discontinued operations, as determined in accordance with GAAP, and operations or businesses disposed of prior to the Calculation Date, shall be excluded, but only to the extent that the obligations giving rise to such Fixed Charges will not be obligations of the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries following the Calculation Date.

For purposes of making the computations referred to above, the pro forma change in Consolidated EBITDA projected by the Issuer in good faith as a result of reasonably identifiable and factually supportable cost savings and costs, as the case may be, expected to be realized during the consecutive four-quarter period commencing after an acquisition or similar transaction (the “Savings Period”) will be included in such calculation for any reference period that includes any of the Savings Period; provided that any such pro forma change to such Consolidated EBITDA will be without duplication for cost savings and costs actually realized and already included in such Consolidated EBITDA. If since the beginning of such period any Person (that subsequently became a Restricted Subsidiary or was merged with or into the Issuer or any Restricted Subsidiary since the beginning of such period) will have made any Investment, acquisition, disposition, merger or consolidation or discontinued operations that would have required adjustment pursuant to this definition, then the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio will be calculated giving pro forma effect thereto for such period as if such Investment, acquisition, disposition, merger, consolidation or discontinued operation had occurred at the beginning of the applicable four-quarter period.

“Fitch” means Fitch, Inc.

“Fixed Charges” means, for any period, the sum of the following determined on a Consolidated basis, without duplication, for the Issuer and its Restricted Subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP: (a) Consolidated Interest Expense, whether paid or accrued, excluding amortization of debt issuance costs and original issue discount and other non-cash interest payments, plus, (b) the consolidated interest that was capitalized during such period, plus, (c) any interest expense on Indebtedness of another Person that is a guaranty obligation of the Issuer or one of its Restricted Subsidiaries or secured by a Lien on assets of the Issuer or one of its Restricted Subsidiaries, whether or not such guaranty obligation or Lien is called upon, plus, (d) the product of (i) all dividends, whether paid or accrued and whether or not in cash, on any series of preferred stock, other than (1) dividends on Capital Stock payable in Capital Stock of the Issuer (other than Disqualified Stock) or (2) dividends to the Issuer or a Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer, times (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is one and the denominator of which is one minus the then current combined federal, state and local effective cash tax rate of the Issuer, expressed as a decimal.

“GAAP” means generally accepted accounting principles set forth in the opinions and pronouncements of the Accounting Principles Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and statements and pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board or in such other statements by such other entity as have been approved by a significant segment of the accounting profession as amended and/or modified from time to time.

“Government Securities” means securities issued or directly and fully guaranteed or insured by the United States government or any agency or instrumentality of the United States government (*provided* that the full faith and credit of the United States is pledged in support of those securities).

“Guarantee” means a guarantee other than by endorsement of negotiable instruments for collection or deposit in the ordinary course of business, direct or indirect, in any manner including, without limitation, by way of a pledge of assets or through letters of credit or reimbursement agreements in respect thereof, of all or any part of any Indebtedness.

“Guarantor” means each of:

- (1) the guarantors listed on the signature pages hereto; and
- (2) any other Subsidiary that executes a Subsidiary Guarantee in accordance with the provisions of this

Indenture;

and their respective successors and assigns.

“Hedging Obligations” means, with respect to any specified Person, the obligations of such Person under:

- (1) interest rate swap agreements, interest rate cap agreements and interest rate collar agreements; and
- (2) other agreements or arrangements designed to protect such Person against fluctuations in interest rates.

“Holder” means any Person in whose name a Note is registered.

“Indebtedness” means, with respect to any specified Person, any indebtedness of such Person (excluding accrued expenses and trade payables), whether or not contingent:

- (1) in respect of borrowed money;
- (2) evidenced by bonds, notes, debentures or similar instruments or letters of credit (or reimbursement agreements in respect thereof);
- (3) in respect of banker’s acceptances;
- (4) representing Capital Lease Obligations;
- (5) representing the balance deferred and unpaid of the purchase price of any property due more than six months after such property is acquired; or
- (6) representing any Hedging Obligations,

if and to the extent any of the preceding items (other than letters of credit and Hedging Obligations) would appear as a liability upon a balance sheet of the specified Person prepared in accordance with GAAP. In addition, the term “Indebtedness” includes all Indebtedness of others secured by a Lien on any asset of the specified Person (whether or not such Indebtedness is assumed by the specified Person) and, to the extent not otherwise included, the Guarantee by the specified Person of any indebtedness of any other Person.

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

- (1) the accreted value of the Indebtedness, in the case of any Indebtedness issued with original issue discount;

(2) the principal amount of the Indebtedness, together with any interest on the Indebtedness that is more than 30 days past due, in the case of any other Indebtedness; and

(3) with respect to Hedging Obligations, the amount of Indebtedness required to be recorded as a liability in accordance with GAAP.

“Indenture” means this Indenture, as amended or supplemented from time to time in accordance with the terms hereof.

“Independent Investment Banker” means one of the Reference Treasury Dealers appointed by Issuer.

“Interest Payment Date” means the applicable Interest Payment Date specified in the Notes.

“Investments” means, with respect to any Person, all direct or indirect investments by such Person in other Persons (including Affiliates) in the forms of loans (including Guarantees or other obligations), advances or capital contributions (excluding commission, travel and similar advances to officers and employees made in the ordinary course of business), purchases or other acquisitions for consideration of Indebtedness, Equity Interests or other securities, together with all items that are or would be classified as investments on a balance sheet prepared in accordance with GAAP. If the Issuer or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer sells or otherwise disposes of any Equity Interests of any direct or indirect Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer such that, after giving effect to any such sale or disposition, such Person is no longer a Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer, the Issuer will be deemed to have made an Investment on the date of any such sale or disposition equal to the Fair Market Value of the Issuer’s Investments in such Subsidiary that were not sold or disposed of in an amount determined as provided in the final paragraph of the covenant described in Section 4.12. The acquisition by the Issuer or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer of a Person that holds an Investment in a third Person will be deemed to be an Investment by the Issuer or such Restricted Subsidiary in such third Person in an amount equal to the Fair Market Value of the Investments held by the acquired Person in such third Person in an amount determined as provided in the final paragraph of the covenant described in Section 4.12. Except as otherwise provided in the indenture, the amount of an Investment will be determined at the time the Investment is made and without giving effect to subsequent changes in value.

“Issue Date” means the first date on which Notes are issued.

“Lien” means, with respect to any asset, any mortgage, lien, pledge, charge, security interest or encumbrance of any kind in respect of such asset, whether or not filed, recorded or otherwise perfected under applicable law, including any conditional sale or other title retention agreement, any lease in the nature thereof, any option or other agreement to sell or give a security interest in and any filing of or agreement to give any financing statement under the Uniform Commercial Code (or equivalent statutes) of any jurisdiction.

“Limited Condition Transaction” means any acquisition or Investment, including by way of merger, amalgamation or consolidation, by the Issuer or any Restricted Subsidiary whose consummation is not conditioned upon the availability of, or on obtaining, third party financing.

“Moody’s” means Moody’s Investors Service, Inc.

“Net Income” means, with respect to the Issuer and its Restricted Subsidiaries for any period, the net income (loss) of the Issuer and its Restricted Subsidiaries, determined in accordance with GAAP and before any reduction in respect of preferred stock dividends, excluding, however: (a) any gain or loss, together with any related provision for taxes on such gain or loss, realized in connection with: (i) any Asset Disposition; or (ii) the disposition of any securities by the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or the extinguishment of any Indebtedness of the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (whether by redemption, repurchase, defeasance, repayment or otherwise), and any related premiums, fees and expenses, (b) any extraordinary gain or loss, together with any related provision for taxes on such extraordinary gain or loss, (c) any impairment losses (including those resulting from impairment of goodwill recorded on the Consolidated financial statement of the Issuer and its Restricted Subsidiaries pursuant to FASB ASC 350 - Intangibles - Goodwill and Other and those resulting from impairment or disposal of long-lived assets recorded on the Consolidated financial statements of the Issuer or a Restricted Subsidiary pursuant to FASB ASC 360 - Property, Plant, and Equipment), (d) any loss resulting from the change in fair value of a derivative financial instrument pursuant to FASB ASC 815 - Derivatives and Hedging, (e) amortization of debt issuance costs and (f) any Capital Stock-based compensation expense.

“Note Guarantee” means the Guarantee by each Guarantor of the Issuer’s obligations under this Indenture and the notes, executed pursuant to the provisions of this Indenture.

“Notes” means, collectively, the Issuer’s 8.25% Senior Notes due 2026 issued in accordance with Section 2.02 (whether issued on the Issue Date, issued as Additional Notes, or otherwise issued after the Issue Date) treated as a single class of securities under this Indenture.

“Obligations” means any principal, interest, penalties, fees, indemnifications, reimbursements, damages and other liabilities payable under the documentation governing any Indebtedness.

“Officer” means, with respect to any Person, the Chairman of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer, the President, the Chief Operating Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Controller, the Secretary, any Assistant Secretary or any Vice-President of such Person.

“Officer’s Certificate” means a certificate signed on behalf of the Issuer by two Officers of the Issuer, one of whom must be the principal executive officer, the principal financial officer, the treasurer or the principal accounting officer of the Issuer, that meets the requirements of Section 12.05 hereof.

“Opinion of Counsel” means an opinion from legal counsel who is reasonably acceptable to the Trustee, that meets the requirements of Section 12.05 hereof. The counsel may be an employee of or counsel to the Issuer, any Subsidiary of the Issuer or the Trustee.

“Permitted Business” means the business conducted by the Issuer and its Restricted Subsidiaries on the Issue Date, including the privatization of governmental services and the acquisition, development, ownership, operation and leasing of real property intended to be leased primarily to Governmental Authorities of or within the United States, and businesses reasonably related to the foregoing or ancillary or incidental thereto or a reasonable extension hereof.

“Permitted Government Revenue Bond Indebtedness” means revenue bonds issued by a state or local government or an agency, authority or other instrumentality thereof, the proceeds of which are used to finance or refinance the acquisition, construction, equipping or improvement of facilities or property used in a Permitted Business, and any deferred lease obligation of the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries relating thereto; provided that (a) such revenue bonds are non-recourse to the Issuer and any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (unless and to the extent the Issuer or a Restricted Subsidiary is the holder of such bonds), and (b) the principal of, interest on or costs relating to such revenue bonds are payable solely from (i) proceeds of such bonds, (ii) all or an incremental portion of sales, use, lodgers’, property and other generally applicable taxes (not including income taxes), whether generated by or levied on such facilities or property or the activities and business conducted thereon or upon property located in a broader area, (iii) reserve funds created with proceeds of such bonds or with revenues described in (ii), (iv) a general or “moral obligation” pledge of a state or local government or agency, authority or other instrumentality thereof, or (v) if the Issuer or a Restricted Subsidiary is the holder of such bonds, payments made by the Issuer or a Restricted Subsidiary.

“Permitted Investments” means:

- (1) any Investment in the Issuer or in a Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer;
- (2) any Investment in cash and Cash Equivalents;
- (3) any Investment by the Issuer or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer in a Person, if as a result of such

Investment:

- (a) such Person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer; or
- (b) such Person is merged, consolidated or amalgamated with or into, or transfers or conveys substantially all of its assets to, or is liquidated into, the Issuer or a Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer;
- (4) any acquisition of assets or Capital Stock solely in exchange for the issuance of Equity Interests (other than Disqualified Stock) of the Issuer;
- (5) any Investments received in compromise or resolution of (A) obligations of trade creditors or customers that were incurred in the ordinary course of business of the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, including pursuant to any plan of reorganization or similar arrangement upon the bankruptcy or insolvency of any trade creditor or customer; or (B) litigation, arbitration or other disputes;
- (6) Investments represented by Hedging Obligations;
- (7) loans or advances to employees made in the ordinary course of business of the Issuer or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$5.0 million at any one time outstanding;
- (8) repurchases of the notes;
- (9) any guarantee of Indebtedness permitted to be incurred by the covenant provided in Section 4.13 other than a guarantee of Indebtedness of an Affiliate of the Issuer that is not a Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer;
- (10) any Investment existing on, or made pursuant to binding commitments existing on, the date of this Indenture and any Investment consisting of an extension, modification or renewal of any Investment existing on, or made pursuant to a binding commitment existing on, the date of this Indenture; provided that the amount of any such Investment may be increased (a) as required by the terms of such Investment as in existence on the date of this Indenture or (b) as otherwise permitted under this Indenture;
- (11) Investments acquired after the date of this Indenture as a result of the acquisition by the Issuer or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer of another Person, including by way of a merger, amalgamation or consolidation with or into the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, or all or substantially all of the assets of another Person, in each case, in a transaction that is not prohibited by the covenant described above under the caption Section 5.01 after the date of this Indenture to the extent that such Investments were not made in contemplation of such acquisition, merger, amalgamation or consolidation and were in existence on the date of such acquisition, merger, amalgamation or consolidation;
- (12) other Investments in any Person other than an Affiliate of the Issuer that is not a Subsidiary of the Issuer having an aggregate Fair Market Value (measured on the date each such Investment was made and without giving effect to subsequent changes in value), when taken together with all other Investments made pursuant to this clause (12) that are at the time outstanding not to exceed \$200.0 million;
- (13) payroll, travel and similar advances to cover matters that are expected at the time of such advances ultimately to be treated as expenses for accounting purposes and that are made in the ordinary course of business;
- (14) stock, obligations or securities received in settlement of debts created in the ordinary course of business and owing to the Issuer or any Restricted Subsidiary or in satisfaction of judgments or pursuant to any plan of reorganization or similar arrangement upon the bankruptcy or insolvency of a debtor;
- (15) Investments in existence on the Issue Date;
- (16) Guaranty Obligations issued in accordance with this Indenture;

(17) Investments that are made with Capital Stock of the Issuer (other than Disqualified Stock of the Issuer);

(18) any Investment by the Issuer or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer in joint ventures in a Permitted Business, when taken together with all other Investments made pursuant to this paragraph (18), not to exceed \$100.0 million outstanding at any one time;

(19) any Investment in any Person that is not at the time of such Investment, or does not thereby become, a Restricted Subsidiary in an aggregate amount (measured on the date such Investment was made and without giving effect to subsequent changes in value), when taken together with all other Investments made pursuant to this clause (19) since the Issue Date (but, to the extent that any Investment made pursuant to this clause (19) since the Issue Date is sold or otherwise liquidated for cash, minus the lesser of (i) the cash return of capital with respect to such Investment (less the cost of disposition, if any) and (ii) the initial amount of such Investment) not to exceed 10% of Adjusted Total Assets; provided that such Person is engaged primarily in a Permitted Business;

(20) any Investment by the Issuer or any Restricted Subsidiary in the form of acquisitions of all or substantially all of the business or a line of business (whether by the acquisition of Capital Stock, assets or any combination thereof) of any other Person if (i) the Person or business to be acquired shall be engaged primarily in a Permitted Business and (ii) if such transaction is a merger or consolidation, the Issuer or a Restricted Subsidiary shall be the surviving Person and no Change of Control shall have been effected thereby;

(21) Entering into Permitted Non-Recourse Guarantees (it being understood that any payments or other transfers made pursuant to such Permitted Non-Recourse Guarantees will not be permitted by this clause (21)); and

(22) Additional Investments in an amount equal to (i) the Fair Market Value of the Issuer's Investments in any Unrestricted Subsidiary that is an Unrestricted Subsidiary as of the Issue Date, following such Unrestricted Subsidiary's designation as a Restricted Subsidiary and (ii) the Fair Market Value of the proceeds from the sale of any Unrestricted Subsidiary that is an Unrestricted Subsidiary as of the Issue Date.

"Permitted Liens" means:

(1) Liens on real or personal property of the Issuer and any Guarantor securing Indebtedness and other Obligations under Credit Facilities in an aggregate amount not to exceed (x) \$1,000,000,000 plus (y) 2.5% of Adjusted Total Assets at any one time outstanding;

(2) Liens in favor of the Issuer or the Guarantors;

(3) Liens on property of a Person existing at the time such Person is merged with or into or consolidated with the Issuer or any Subsidiary of the Issuer or becomes a direct or indirect Subsidiary of the Issuer; *provided* that such Liens were in existence prior to the contemplation of such merger, consolidation or acquisition and do not extend to any assets other than those of the Person merged into or consolidated with the Issuer or the Subsidiary;

(4) Liens on property existing at the time of acquisition of the property by the Issuer or any Subsidiary of the Issuer, *provided* that such Liens were in existence prior to the contemplation of such acquisition;

(5) Liens to secure the performance of statutory obligations, surety or appeal bonds, performance bonds or other obligations of a like nature incurred in the ordinary course of business;

(6) Liens to secure Indebtedness represented by Capital Lease Obligations, mortgage financings or purchase money obligations, in each case, incurred within 270 days of the related purchase, construction or improvement for the purpose of financing all or any part of the cost of purchase, construction or improvement of property, plant or equipment used in the business of the Issuer or such Subsidiary, including all Indebtedness incurred to refund, refinance or replace any Indebtedness incurred pursuant to this clause (6);

- (7) Liens existing on the Issue Date;
- (8) Liens for taxes, assessments or governmental charges or claims that are not yet delinquent or that are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings promptly instituted and diligently concluded, *provided* that any reserve or other appropriate provision as is required in conformity with GAAP has been made therefor;
- (9) Attachment or judgment Liens not giving rise to a Default or an Event of Default;
- (10) Liens with respect to Obligations that do not exceed 7.5% of Adjusted Total Assets at any one time outstanding;
- (11) pledges or deposits under workmen's compensation laws, unemployment insurance laws or similar legislation, or good faith deposits in connection with bids, tenders, contracts (other than for the payment of Indebtedness) or leases to which the Issuer or any Subsidiary is a party, or deposits to secure public or statutory obligations of the Issuer or any Subsidiary or deposits or cash or Government Securities to secure surety or appeal bonds to which the Issuer or any Subsidiary is a party, or deposits as security for contested taxes or import or customs duties or for the payment of rent, in each case incurred in the ordinary course of business;
- (12) Liens imposed by law, including carriers', warehousemen's and mechanics' Liens, in each case for sums not yet due or being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings if a reserve or other appropriate provisions, if any, as shall be required by GAAP shall have been made in respect thereof;
- (13) encumbrances, easements or reservations of, or rights of others for, licenses, rights of way, sewers, electric lines, telegraph and telephone lines and other similar purposes, or zoning or other restrictions as to the use of real properties or liens incidental to the conduct of the business of the Issuer or a Subsidiary or to the ownership of its properties which do not in the aggregate materially adversely affect the value of said properties or materially impair their use in the operation of the business of the Issuer or such Subsidiary;
- (14) Liens securing Hedging Obligations;
- (15) leases and subleases of real property which do not materially interfere with the ordinary conduct of the business of the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries;
- (16) normal customary rights of setoff upon deposits of cash in favor of banks or other depository institutions;
- (17) mortgages or other Liens securing Indebtedness or other Obligations issued by or owed to the United States, any State thereof or any municipality, or any department, agency or instrumentality or political subdivision of any of the foregoing, or by any other country or any political subdivision thereof for the purpose of financing all or any part of the purchase price of, or, in the case of real property, the cost of construction of, relocation of, maintenance of, or improvement of, any property or assets subject to such mortgage or other lien or within the jurisdiction of such entity, or otherwise in connection with any geographic incentivization arrangements, including tax reduction or other economic subsidization arrangements pertaining to local employment; and
- (18) from and after the Drop Away Date, any Lien incurred by a Subsidiary that was an Unrestricted Subsidiary prior to the Drop Away Date.

“Permitted Non-Recourse Guarantees” means customary indemnities or limited contingent guarantees (including by means of separate indemnification agreements or carve-out guarantees) provided in the ordinary course of business by the Issuer or any of the Restricted Subsidiaries to finance the acquisition of real property that are directly or indirectly secured by only such real property (and any accessions, improvements and fixtures thereto) or by a pledge of the Capital Stock, and options, warrants or other rights to acquire such shares of Capital Stock, of a joint venture (so long as such joint venture is not a Restricted Subsidiary) or Unrestricted Subsidiary that owns such real property and is the borrower in such financing, and that may be full recourse or non-recourse to such joint venture or Unrestricted Subsidiary, but is non-recourse to the Issuer or any Restricted Subsidiary except for such indemnities and limited contingent guarantees as are consistent with customary industry practice (such as environmental indemnities and recourse triggers based on violation of transfer restrictions).

“Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness” means any Indebtedness of the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries issued in exchange for, or the net proceeds of which are used to renew, refund, refinance, replace, defease, satisfy or discharge other Indebtedness of the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (other than intercompany Indebtedness); provided that:

(1) the principal amount (or accreted value, if applicable) of such Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness does not exceed the principal amount (or accreted value, if applicable) of the Indebtedness renewed, refunded, refinanced, replaced, defeased or discharged (plus all accrued interest on the Indebtedness and the amount of all fees and expenses, including premiums, incurred in connection therewith);

(2) such Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness has a final maturity date no earlier than the earlier of (a) the final maturity date of the Indebtedness being renewed, refunded, refinanced, replaced, defeased or discharged or (b) 91 days after the final maturity date of the notes;

(3) such Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness has a weighted average life to maturity at the time such Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness is incurred that is no shorter than the weighted average life to maturity of the portion of the Indebtedness being renewed, refunded, refinanced, replaced, defeased or discharged;

(4) if the Indebtedness being renewed, refunded, refinanced, replaced, defeased or discharged is subordinated in right of payment to the notes, such Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness is subordinated in right of payment to the notes on terms at least as favorable to the holders of notes as those contained in the documentation governing the Indebtedness being renewed, refunded, refinanced, replaced, defeased or discharged; and

(5) such Indebtedness, other than intercompany Indebtedness, is incurred either by the Issuer or by the Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer that was the obligor on the Indebtedness being renewed, refunded, refinanced, replaced, defeased, satisfied or discharged and is guaranteed only by Persons who were obligors on the Indebtedness being renewed, refunded, refinanced, replaced, defeased, satisfied or discharged.

“Person” means any individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, joint-stock company, trust, unincorporated organization, limited liability company or government or other entity.

“principal” means, with respect to the Notes, the principal of and premium, if any, on the Notes.

“Principal Property” means (i) any Real Estate Assets with a net book value in excess of 1.0% of the Issuer’s Adjusted Total Assets or (ii) any Capital Stock of a Subsidiary that owns Real Estate Assets described in clause (i) of this definition.

“Prospectus Supplement” means the Prospectus Supplement dated April 7, 2021, related to the issuance and sale of the Notes.

“Qualifying Equity Interests” means Equity Interests of the Issuer other than Disqualified Stock.

“Real Estate Assets” of a Person means, as of any date, the real estate assets of such Person and its Subsidiaries on such date, on a consolidated basis determined in accordance with GAAP.

“Record Date” means the applicable Record Date specified in the Notes.

“Redemption Date” when used with respect to any Note to be redeemed, means the date fixed for such redemption pursuant to this Indenture and the Notes.

“Redemption Price” when used with respect to any Note to be redeemed, means the price fixed for such redemption, payable in immediately available funds, pursuant to this Indenture and the Notes.

“Reference Treasury Dealer” means any of the primary U.S. Government securities dealers in New York City.

“Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations” means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any redemption date (or, in the case of a satisfaction and discharge at the time a redemption notice is delivered, two Business Days prior to the deposit of funds with the Trustee in accordance with the terms of this Indenture for such satisfaction and discharge), the average, as determined by the Independent Investment Banker, of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to the Independent Investment Banker at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the third Business Day preceding such redemption date.

“Responsible Officer,” when used with respect to the Trustee, means any officer within the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee (or any successor group of the Trustee) and, with respect to a particular corporate trust matter, any other officer to whom such matter is referred because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject, and, in each case, who shall have direct responsibility for the administration of this Indenture.

“Restricted Investment” means an Investment other than a Permitted Investment.

“Restricted Subsidiary” of a Person means any Subsidiary of the referent Person that is not an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

“Revolving Credit Facility” means the \$800.0 million revolving credit facility provided pursuant to the Bank Credit Agreement.

“S&P” means Standard & Poor’s Ratings Group.

“SEC” means the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

“Securities Act” means the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or any successor statute or statutes thereto.

“Significant Subsidiary” means any Subsidiary that would be a “significant subsidiary” as defined in Article 1, Rule 1-02 of Regulation S-X, promulgated pursuant to the Securities Act, as such Regulation is in effect on the Issue Date.

“Stated Maturity” means:

(1) with respect to any debt security, the date specified in such debt security as the fixed date on which the final installment of principal of such debt security is due and payable; and

(2) with respect to any scheduled installment of principal of or interest on any debt security, the date specified in such debt security as the fixed date on which such installment is due and payable,

*provided*, that Stated Maturity shall not include any contingent obligations to repay, redeem or repurchase any such interest or principal prior to the date originally scheduled for the payment thereof.

“Subordinated Indebtedness” of the Issuer means any Indebtedness of the Issuer that is expressly subordinated to and junior in right of payment to the notes. “Subordinated Indebtedness” of a Guarantor means any Indebtedness of such Guarantor that is expressly subordinated to and junior in right of payment to the Note Guarantee of such Guarantor.

“Subsidiary” means, with respect to any specified Person:

(1) any corporation, association or other business entity of which more than 50% of the total voting power of shares of Capital Stock entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of directors, managers or trustees of the corporation, association or other business entity is at the time owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by that Person or one or more of the other Subsidiaries of that Person (or a combination thereof); and

(2) any partnership (a) the sole general partner or the managing general partner of which is such Person or a Subsidiary of such Person or (b) the only general partners of which are that Person or one or more Subsidiaries of that Person (or any combination thereof).

“Subsidiary Guarantee” means, individually, any Guarantee of payment of the Notes by a Guarantor pursuant to the terms of this Indenture, and, collectively, all such Guarantees. Each such Subsidiary Guarantee with respect to the Notes will be in the form prescribed by this Indenture.

“Term Loan B” means the \$250.0 million senior secured term loan B made pursuant to the Term Loan B Credit Agreement.

“Term Loan B Credit Agreement” means the Term Loan Credit Agreement dated as of December 18, 2019, by and among the Issuer, the administrative agent, and certain lenders and other parties thereto, as amended by the First Amendment to Term Loan Credit Agreement dated as of August 4, 2020, and any related notes, guarantees, collateral documents, instruments and agreements executed in connection therewith, and in each case as further amended (and/or amended and restated), modified, renewed, refunded, replaced or refinanced from time to time, in whole or in part, with the same or different lenders (including, without limitation, any amendment, amendment and restatement, modification, renewal, refunding, replacement or refinancing that increases the maximum amount of the loans made or to be made thereunder).

“Total Assets” means, as of any date, the sum of (a) Undepreciated Real Estate Assets plus (b) the book value of all assets (excluding Real Estate Assets and intangibles).

“Trust Indenture Act” means the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended.

“Trustee” means the party named as such in the Preamble of this Indenture until a successor replaces it in accordance with the provisions of this Indenture pursuant to a Supplemental Indenture and thereafter means such successor.

“Undepreciated Real Estate Assets” means, as of any date, the cost (being the original cost to the Issuer or its Subsidiaries plus capital improvements) of Real Estate Assets of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries on such date, before depreciation and amortization of such Real Estate Assets, determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.

“Unrestricted Cash and Cash Equivalents” means, when referring to cash or Cash Equivalents of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries, that such cash or Cash Equivalents (a) do not appear or would not be required to appear as “restricted” on the financial statements of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries and (b) are not subject to any Liens other than as permitted under the covenant described here under Section 4.08.

“Unrestricted Subsidiary” means each of (i) SSA Baltimore Holdings LLC, Government Real Estate Solutions, LLC, CoreCivic of Kansas Holdings LLC and Government Real Estate Solutions of Alabama Holdings LLC, (ii) any Subsidiary of an Unrestricted Subsidiary and (iii) any Subsidiary of the Issuer that is designated by the board of directors of the Issuer as an Unrestricted Subsidiary, but only to the extent that such Subsidiary:

(a) has no Indebtedness that is recourse (directly or indirectly) to the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries;

(b) is not party to any agreement, contract, arrangement or understanding with the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries unless the terms of any such agreement, contract, arrangement or understanding are no less favorable to the Issuer or such Restricted Subsidiary than those that might be obtained at the time from Persons who are not Affiliates of the Issuer;

(c) is a Person with respect to which neither the Issuer nor any of its Restricted Subsidiaries has any direct or indirect obligation (i) to subscribe for additional Capital Stock or (ii) to maintain or preserve such Person's financial condition or to cause such Person to achieve any specified levels of operating results; and

(d) has not guaranteed or otherwise directly or indirectly provided credit support for any Indebtedness of the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries.

**"U.S. Government Obligations"** means (i) direct obligations of, obligations guaranteed by, or participations in pools consisting solely of obligations of or obligations guaranteed by, the United States of America for the payment of which obligations or guarantee the full faith and credit of the United States of America is pledged and that are not callable or redeemable at the option of the issuer thereof or (ii) or money market funds that invest solely in securities described in clause (i).

**"U.S. Legal Tender"** means such coin or currency of the United States of America that at the time of payment shall be legal tender for the payment of public and private debts.

**"U.S.A. Patriot Act"** means the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001, Pub. L. 107-56, as amended and signed into law October 26, 2001.

**"Voting Stock"** of any Person as of any date means the Capital Stock of such Person that is at the time entitled to vote in the election of the Board of Directors of such Person.

#### SECTION 1.02. Other Definitions

<b>Term</b>	<b>Defined in Section</b>
"Additional Notes"	2.02
"Authentication Order"	2.02
"Change of Control Offer"	4.07(a)
"Change of Control Payment"	4.07(a)
"Change of Control Payment Date"	4.07(a)
"Covenant Defeasance"	8.03
"Event of Default"	6.01
"Global Notes"	2.01
"Initial Global Notes"	2.01
"Initial Notes"	2.02
"Issuer"	Preamble
"Legal Defeasance"	8.02
"Participants"	2.15(a)
"Paying Agent"	2.03
"Permitted Debt"	4.13
"Physical Notes"	2.01
"Registrar"	2.03

SECTION 1.03. Incorporation by Reference of Trust Indenture Act. Whenever this Indenture refers to a provision of the Trust Indenture Act, such provision is incorporated by reference in, and made a part of, this Indenture. The following Trust Indenture Act terms used in this Indenture have the following meanings:

“indenture securities” means the Notes.

“obligor” on the indenture securities means the Issuer, any Guarantor or any other obligor on the Notes.

All other Trust Indenture Act terms used in this Indenture that are defined by the Trust Indenture Act, defined by Trust Indenture Act reference to another statute or defined by SEC rule and not otherwise defined herein have the meanings assigned to them therein.

SECTION 1.04. Rules of Construction. Unless the context otherwise requires:

- (1) a term has the meaning assigned to it;
- (2) an accounting term not otherwise defined has the meaning assigned to it in accordance with GAAP;
- (3) “or” is not exclusive;
- (4) words in the singular include the plural, and words in the plural include the singular;
- (5) “herein,” “hereof” and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular Article, Section or other subdivision;
- (6) the words “including,” “includes” and similar words shall be deemed to be followed by “without limitation”;
- (7) the principal amount of any noninterest bearing or other discount security at any date shall be the principal amount thereof that would be shown on a balance sheet of the issuer dated such date prepared in accordance with GAAP; and
- (8) all references to the date the Notes were originally issued shall refer to the Issue Date, except as otherwise specified.

SECTION 1.05. Financial Calculations for Limited Condition Transactions.

In connection with any Limited Condition Transaction (including any financing thereof), at the Issuer’s election, (a) compliance with any requirement relating to the absence of a Default or Event of Default may be determined as of the date a definitive agreement for such Limited Condition Transaction is entered into (the “effective date”) and not as of any later date as would otherwise be required under this Indenture, and (b) any calculation contemplated by Section 4.13 or any amount based on a percentage of Consolidated EBITDA or any other determination under any basket or ratio under this Indenture, may be made as of such effective date, giving pro forma effect to such Limited Condition Transaction and any related transactions (including any incurrence of Indebtedness and the use of proceeds thereof) as if they had occurred at the beginning of the most recent test period ending prior to the effective date. If the Issuer makes such an election, any subsequent calculation of any such ratio, basket and/or percentage (unless the definitive agreement for such Limited Condition Transaction expires or is terminated without its consummation) shall be calculated on an equivalent pro forma basis; provided, however, that (a) if financial statements for one or more subsequent fiscal quarters shall have become available, the Issuer may elect, in its sole discretion, to re-determine all such calculations, baskets or ratios on the basis of such financial statements, in which case such date of redetermination shall thereafter be deemed to be the applicable effective date for purposes of such calculations, baskets or ratios or (b) if any ratios or calculations improve or baskets increase, such improved ratios, calculations or baskets may be utilized.

**ARTICLE TWO  
THE NOTES**

SECTION 2.01. Form and Dating. The Notes and the Trustee's certificate of authentication shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit A hereto. The Notes may have notations, legends or endorsements required by law, stock exchange rule or usage. The Issuer shall approve the form of the Notes and any notation, legend or endorsement on them. Each Note shall be dated the date of its issuance and show the date of its authentication. Each Note shall have an executed Subsidiary Guarantee from each of the Guarantors existing on the Issue Date endorsed thereon substantially in the form of Exhibit B.

The terms and provisions contained in the Notes and the Subsidiary Guarantees shall constitute, and are hereby expressly made, a part of this Indenture and, to the extent applicable, the Issuer, the Guarantors and the Trustee, by their execution and delivery of this Indenture, expressly agree to such terms and provisions and to be bound thereby.

Notes issued after the Issue Date shall be issued initially in the form of one or more global Notes in registered form, substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A, deposited with the Trustee, as custodian for the Depository, duly executed by the Issuer (and having an executed Subsidiary Guarantee from each of the Guarantors endorsed thereon) and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided and shall bear any legends required by applicable law (together with the Initial Global Notes, the "Global Notes") or as Physical Notes.

The aggregate principal amount of the Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee, as custodian for the Depository, as hereinafter provided. Notes issued in exchange for interests in a Global Note pursuant to Section 2.16 may be issued in the form of permanent certificated Notes in registered form in substantially the form set forth in Exhibit A and bearing the applicable legends, if any (the "Physical Notes").

Additional Notes ranking *pari passu* with the Initial Notes (as defined in Section 2.02) may be created and issued from time to time by the Issuer without notice to or consent of the Holders and shall be consolidated with and form a single class with the Initial Notes and shall have the same terms as to status, redemption or otherwise (other than with respect to the purchase price thereof and the date from which the interest accrues) as the Initial Notes. The Initial Notes and any Additional Notes subsequently issued under this Indenture will be treated as a single class for all purposes under this Indenture, including waivers, amendments, redemptions and offers to purchase, and shall vote together as one class on all matters with respect to the Notes; *provided further* that if the Additional Notes are not fungible with the Notes for U.S. Federal income tax purposes the Additional Notes will have a separate CUSIP number, if applicable. Unless the context requires otherwise, references to "Notes" for all purposes of this Indenture include any Additional Notes that are actually issued.

SECTION 2.02. Execution, Authentication and Denomination; Additional Notes. One Officer of the Issuer (who shall have been duly authorized by all requisite corporate actions) shall sign the Notes for the Issuer by manual, facsimile, .pdf attachment or other electronically transmitted signature. One Officer of each Guarantor (who shall have been duly authorized by all requisite corporate actions) shall sign the Subsidiary Guarantee for such Guarantor by manual, facsimile, .pdf attachment or other electronically transmitted signature.

If an Officer whose signature is on a Note or Subsidiary Guarantee, as the case may be, was an Officer at the time of such execution but no longer holds that office at the time the Trustee authenticates the Note, the Note shall nevertheless be valid.

A Note (and the Subsidiary Guarantees in respect thereof) shall not be valid until an authorized signatory of the Trustee manually signs the certificate of authentication on the Note. The signature shall be conclusive evidence that the Note has been authenticated under this Indenture.

The Trustee shall authenticate (i) on the Issue Date, Notes for original issue in the aggregate principal amount of \$450.0 million (the "Initial Notes"), and (ii) additional Notes (the "Additional Notes") in an unlimited amount, in each case upon a written order of the Issuer in the form of a certificate of an Officer of the Issuer (an "Authentication Order"). Each such Authentication Order shall specify the amount of Notes to be authenticated and the date on which the Notes are to be authenticated, whether the Notes are to be Initial Notes or Additional Notes and whether the Notes are to be issued as certificated Notes or Global Notes or such other information as the Trustee may reasonably request. In addition, with respect to authentication pursuant to clause (ii) or (iii) of the first sentence of this paragraph, the first such Authentication Order from the Issuer shall be accompanied by an Opinion of Counsel of the Issuer in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee.

The Additional Notes shall bear any legend required by applicable law.

The Trustee may appoint an authenticating agent reasonably acceptable to the Issuer to authenticate Notes. Unless otherwise provided in the appointment, an authenticating agent may authenticate Notes whenever the Trustee may do so. Each reference in this Indenture to authentication by the Trustee includes authentication by such agent. An authenticating agent has the same rights as an Agent to deal with the Issuer and Affiliates of the Issuer.

The Notes shall be issuable only in registered form without coupons in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

The Trustee shall have the right to decline to authenticate and deliver any Securities: (a) if the Trustee, being advised by counsel, determines that such action may not be taken lawfully; or (b) if the Trustee in good faith by its board of directors or trustees, executive committee or a trust committee of directors and/or vice-presidents or a committee of Responsible Officers shall determine that such action would expose the Trustee to personal liability to Holders of any then outstanding Securities; or (c) if the Trustee in good faith shall determine that the terms of the Securities as set forth in the Board Resolution or Officer's Certificate would adversely affect it.

SECTION 2.03. Registrar and Paying Agent. The Issuer shall maintain or cause to be maintained an office or agency in the United States of America where (a) Notes may be presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or for exchange ("Registrar"), (b) Notes may, subject to Section 2 of the Notes, be presented or surrendered for payment ("Paying Agent"). The Issuer may also from time to time designate one or more other offices or agencies where the Notes may be presented or surrendered for any or all such purposes and may from time to time rescind such designations; *provided, however*, that no such designation or rescission shall in any manner relieve the Issuer of their obligation to maintain or cause to be maintained an office or agency in the United States of America, for such purposes. The Issuer may act as Registrar or Paying Agent, except that for the purposes of Articles Three and Eight and Section 4.07 neither the Issuer nor any Affiliate of the Issuer shall act as Paying Agent. The Registrar, as an agent of the Issuer, shall keep a register, including ownership, of the Notes and of their transfer and exchange. The Issuer, upon notice to the Trustee, may have one or more co-registrars and one or more additional paying agents reasonably acceptable to the Trustee. The term "Registrar" includes any co-registrar and the term "Paying Agent" includes any additional paying agent. The Issuer initially appoints the Trustee as Registrar and Paying Agent until such time as the Trustee has resigned or a successor has been appointed.

The Issuer shall enter into an appropriate agency agreement with any Agent not a party to this Indenture, which agreement shall implement the provisions of this Indenture that relate to such Agent. The Issuer shall notify the Trustee, in advance, of the name and address of any such Agent. If the Issuer fails to maintain a Registrar or Paying Agent, the Trustee shall act as such.

SECTION 2.04. Paying Agent To Hold Assets in Trust. The Issuer shall require each Paying Agent other than the Trustee or the Issuer or any Subsidiary of the Issuer to agree in writing that each Paying Agent shall hold in trust for the benefit of Holders or the Trustee all assets held by the Paying Agent for the payment of principal of, or interest on, the Notes (whether such assets have been distributed to it by the Issuer or any other obligor on the Notes), and shall notify the Trustee of any Default by the Issuer (or any other obligor on the Notes) in making any such payment. The Issuer at any time may require a Paying Agent to distribute all assets held by it to the Trustee and account for any assets disbursed and the Trustee may at any time during the continuance of any payment Default, upon written request to a Paying Agent, require such Paying Agent to distribute all assets held by it to the Trustee and to account for any assets distributed. Upon distribution to the Trustee of all assets that shall have been delivered by the Issuer to the Paying Agent, the Paying Agent shall have no further liability for such assets.

SECTION 2.05. Holder Lists. The Trustee shall preserve in as current a form as is reasonably practicable the most recent list available to it of the names and addresses of Holders. If the Trustee is not the Registrar, the Issuer shall furnish to the Trustee at least two Business Days prior to each Interest Payment Date and at such other times as the Trustee may request in writing a list, in such form and as of such date as the Trustee may reasonably require, of the names and addresses of Holders, which list may be conclusively relied upon by the Trustee.

SECTION 2.06. Transfer and Exchange. Subject to Sections 2.15 and 2.16, when Notes are presented to the Registrar with a request to register the transfer of such Notes or to exchange such Notes for an equal principal amount of Notes of other authorized denominations, the Registrar shall register the transfer or make the exchange as requested if its requirements for such transaction are met; *provided, however*, that the Notes surrendered for transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Issuer and the Registrar, duly executed by the Holder thereof or his or her attorney duly authorized in writing. To permit registrations of transfers and exchanges, the Issuer shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate Notes at the Registrar's request. No service charge shall be made for any registration of transfer or exchange, but the Issuer may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any transfer tax or similar governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

Without the prior written consent of the Issuer, the Registrar shall not be required to register the transfer of or exchange of any Note (i) during a period beginning at the opening of business 15 days before the mailing of a notice of redemption of Notes and ending at the close of business on the day of such mailing, (ii) selected for redemption in whole or in part pursuant to Article Three, except the unredeemed portion of any Note being redeemed in part and (iii) beginning at the opening of business on any Record Date and ending on the close of business on the related Interest Payment Date.

Any Holder of a beneficial interest in a Global Note shall, by acceptance of such beneficial interest, agree that transfers of beneficial interests in such Global Notes may be effected only through a book-entry system maintained by the Holder of such Global Note (or its agent) in accordance with the applicable legends thereon, and that ownership of a beneficial interest in the Note shall be required to be reflected in a book-entry system.

SECTION 2.07. Replacement Notes If a mutilated Note is surrendered to the Trustee or if the Holder of a Note claims that the Note has been lost, destroyed or wrongfully taken, the Issuer shall issue and the Trustee shall authenticate, upon receipt of an Authentication Order, a replacement Note if the Trustee's and Issuer's requirements are met. Such Holder shall provide an indemnity bond or other indemnity, sufficient in the judgment of both the Issuer and the Trustee, to protect the Issuer, the Trustee or any Agent from any loss that any of them may suffer if a Note is replaced. The Issuer may charge such Holder for its out-of-pocket expenses in replacing a Note pursuant to this Section 2.07, including fees and expenses of counsel and of the Trustee.

Every replacement Note is an additional obligation of the Issuer and every replacement Subsidiary Guarantee shall constitute an additional obligation of the Guarantor thereof.

The provisions of this Section 2.07 are exclusive and shall preclude (to the extent lawful) all other rights and remedies with respect to the replacement or payment of lost, destroyed or wrongfully taken Notes.

SECTION 2.08. Outstanding Notes. Notes outstanding at any time are all the Notes that have been authenticated by the Trustee except those cancelled by it, those delivered to it for cancellation and those described in this Section 2.08 as not outstanding. A Note does not cease to be outstanding because the Issuer, the Guarantors or any of their respective Affiliates hold the Note (subject to the provisions of Section 2.09).

If a Note is replaced pursuant to Section 2.07 (other than a mutilated Note surrendered for replacement), it ceases to be outstanding unless a Responsible Officer of the Trustee receives proof satisfactory to it that the replaced Note is held by a bona fide purchaser. A mutilated Note ceases to be outstanding upon surrender of such Note and replacement thereof pursuant to Section 2.07.

If the principal amount of any Note is considered paid under Section 4.01, it ceases to be outstanding and interest ceases to accrue. If on a Redemption Date or the Stated Maturity the Trustee or Paying Agent (other than the Issuer or an Affiliate thereof) holds U.S. Legal Tender or U.S. Government Obligations sufficient to pay all of the principal and interest due on the Notes payable on that date, then on and after that date such Notes cease to be outstanding and interest on them ceases to accrue.

SECTION 2.09. Treasury Notes. In determining whether the Holders of the required principal amount of Notes have concurred in any direction, waiver or consent, Notes owned by the Issuer or any of their Affiliates shall be disregarded as required by the Trust Indenture Act, except that, for the purposes of determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any such direction, waiver or consent, only Notes that a Responsible Officer of the Trustee, actually knows are so owned shall be disregarded. Notes so owned which have been pledged in good faith shall not be disregarded if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee the pledgee's right to deliver any such direction, waiver or consent with respect to the Notes and that the pledgee is not the Issuer or any obligor upon the Notes or any Affiliate of the Issuer or of such other obligor.

SECTION 2.10. Temporary Notes. Until definitive Notes are ready for delivery, the Issuer may prepare and the Trustee shall authenticate temporary Notes. Temporary Notes shall be substantially in the form of definitive Notes but may have variations that the Issuer considers appropriate for temporary Notes. Without unreasonable delay, the Issuer shall prepare and the Trustee shall authenticate definitive Notes in exchange for temporary Notes. Until such exchange, temporary Notes shall be entitled to the same rights, benefits and privileges as definitive Notes. Notwithstanding the foregoing, so long as the Notes are represented by a Global Note, such Global Note may be in typewritten form.

SECTION 2.11. Cancellation. The Issuer at any time may deliver Notes to the Trustee for cancellation. The Registrar and the Paying Agent shall forward to the Trustee any Notes surrendered to them for transfer, exchange or payment. The Trustee, or at the direction of the Trustee, the Registrar or the Paying Agent (other than the Issuer or a Subsidiary of the Issuer), and no one else, shall cancel and, at the written direction of the Issuer, shall dispose of all Notes surrendered for transfer, exchange, payment or cancellation in accordance with its customary procedures. Subject to Section 2.07, the Issuer may not issue new Notes to replace Notes that they have paid or delivered to the Trustee for cancellation. If the Issuer or any Guarantor shall acquire any of the Notes, such acquisition shall not operate as a redemption or satisfaction of the Indebtedness represented by such Notes unless and until the same are surrendered to the Trustee for cancellation pursuant to this Section 2.11.

SECTION 2.12. Defaulted Interest. If the Issuer defaults in a payment of interest on the Notes, it shall pay the defaulted interest, plus (to the extent lawful) any interest payable on the defaulted interest, in any lawful manner. The Issuer may pay the defaulted interest to the persons who are Holders on a subsequent special record date, which date shall be the 15<sup>th</sup> day next preceding the date fixed by the Issuer for the payment of defaulted interest or the next succeeding Business Day if such date is not a Business Day. At least 15 days before any such subsequent special record date, the Issuer shall send to each Holder, with a copy to the Trustee, a notice that states the subsequent special record date, the payment date and the amount of defaulted interest, and interest payable on such defaulted interest, if any, to be paid. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any interest which is paid prior to the expiration of the 30-day period set forth in Section 6.01(1) shall be paid to Holders as of the record date for the interest payment date for which interest has not been paid.

SECTION 2.13. CUSIP and ISIN Numbers. The Issuer in issuing the Notes may use "CUSIP" or "ISIN" numbers, and if so, the Trustee shall use the "CUSIP" or "ISIN" numbers in notices of redemption or exchange as a convenience to Holders; *provided, however*, that any such notice may state that no representation is made as to the correctness or accuracy of the "CUSIP" or "ISIN" numbers printed in the notice or on the Notes, and that reliance may be placed only on the other identification numbers printed on the Notes. The Issuer shall promptly notify the Trustee of any change in the "CUSIP" or "ISIN" numbers.

SECTION 2.14. [Reserved]

SECTION 2.15. Book-Entry Provisions for Global Notes

(a) The Global Notes initially shall (i) be registered in the name of the Depository or the nominee of such Depository, (ii) be delivered to the Trustee as custodian for such Depository and (iii) bear the following legend:

“THIS NOTE IS A GLOBAL NOTE WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE INDENTURE HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AND IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF A DEPOSITORY OR A NOMINEE OF A DEPOSITORY OR A SUCCESSOR DEPOSITORY. THIS NOTE IS NOT EXCHANGEABLE FOR NOTES REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF A PERSON OTHER THAN THE DEPOSITORY OR ITS NOMINEE EXCEPT IN THE LIMITED CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE, AND NO TRANSFER OF THIS NOTE (OTHER THAN A TRANSFER OF THIS NOTE AS A WHOLE BY THE DEPOSITORY TO A NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITORY OR BY A NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITORY TO THE DEPOSITORY OR ANOTHER NOMINEE OF THE DEPOSITORY) MAY BE REGISTERED EXCEPT IN THE LIMITED CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE.

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

TRANSFERS OF THIS GLOBAL NOTE SHALL BE LIMITED TO TRANSFERS IN WHOLE, BUT NOT IN PART, TO NOMINEES OF CEDE & CO. OR TO A SUCCESSOR THEREOF OR SUCH SUCCESSOR’S NOMINEE AND TRANSFERS OF PORTIONS OF THIS GLOBAL NOTE SHALL BE LIMITED TO TRANSFERS MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN SECTION 2.16 OF THE INDENTURE.”

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

(b) Transfers of Global Notes shall be limited to transfers in whole, but not in part, to the Depository, its successors or their respective nominees. Interests of beneficial owners in the Global Notes may be transferred or exchanged for Physical Notes in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depository and the provisions of Section 2.16. In addition, Physical Notes shall be transferred to all beneficial owners in exchange for their beneficial interests in Global Notes if (i) the Depository notifies the Issuer that it is unwilling or unable to act as Depository for any Global Note or it ceases to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act, the Issuer so notifies the Trustee in writing and a successor Depository is not appointed by the Issuer within 120 days of such notice or (ii) an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and the Registrar has received a written request from any owner of a beneficial interest in a Global Note to issue Physical Notes. Upon any issuance of a Physical Note in accordance with this Section 2.15(b) the Trustee is required to register such Physical Note in the name of, and cause the same to be delivered to, such person or persons (or the nominee of any thereof). All such Physical Notes shall bear the applicable legends, if any.

(c) In connection with any transfer or exchange of a portion of the beneficial interest in a Global Note to beneficial owners pursuant to paragraph (b) of this Section 2.15, the Registrar shall (if one or more Physical Notes are to be issued) reflect on its books and records the date and a decrease in the principal amount of such Global Note in an amount equal to the principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Global Note to be transferred, and the Issuer shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, one or more Physical Notes of authorized denominations in an aggregate principal amount equal to the principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Global Note so transferred.

(d) In connection with the transfer of a Global Note as an entirety to beneficial owners pursuant to paragraph (b) of this Section 2.15, such Global Note shall be deemed to be surrendered to the Trustee for cancellation, and (i) the Issuer shall execute, (ii) the Guarantors shall execute notations of Subsidiary Guarantees on and (iii) the Trustee shall upon written instructions from the Issuer authenticate and deliver, to each beneficial owner identified by the Depository in exchange for its beneficial interest in such Global Note, an equal aggregate principal amount of Physical Notes of authorized denominations.

(e) The Holder of any Global Note may grant proxies and otherwise authorize any Person, including Participants and Persons that may hold interests through Participants, to take any action which a Holder is entitled to take under this Indenture or the Notes.

#### SECTION 2.16. Special Transfer and Exchange Provisions

(a) Restrictions on Transfer and Exchange of Global Notes. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Indenture, a Global Note may not be transferred as a whole except by the Depository to a nominee of the Depository or by a nominee of the Depository to the Depository or another nominee of the Depository or by the Depository or any such nominee to a successor Depository or a nominee of such successor Depository.

The Registrar shall retain copies of all letters, notices and other written communications received pursuant to Section 2.15 or Section 2.16. The Issuer shall have the right to inspect and make copies of all such letters, notices or other written communications at any reasonable time upon the giving of reasonable written notice to the Registrar.

The Trustee shall have no obligation or duty to monitor, determine or inquire as to compliance with any restrictions on transfer imposed under this Indenture or under applicable law with respect to any transfer of any interest in any Note (including any transfers between or among Participants or beneficial owners of interests in any Global Note) other than to require delivery of such certificates and other documentation or evidence as are expressly required by, and to do so if and when expressly required by the terms of, this Indenture, and to examine the same to determine substantial compliance as to form with the express requirements hereof.

The Trustee shall have no responsibility for the actions or omissions of the Depository, or the accuracy of the books and records of the Depository.

(b) Cancellation and/or Adjustment of Global Note. At such time as all beneficial interests in a particular Global Note have been exchanged for Physical Notes or a particular Global Note has been redeemed, repurchased or canceled in whole and not in part, each such Global Note shall be returned to or retained and canceled by the Trustee in accordance with Section 2.11 hereof. At any time prior to such cancellation, if any beneficial interest in a Global Note is exchanged for or transferred to a Person who will take delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in another Global Note or for Physical Notes, the principal amount of Notes represented by such Global Note shall be reduced accordingly and an endorsement shall be made on such Global Note by the Trustee or by the Depository at the direction of the Trustee to reflect such reduction; and if the beneficial interest is being exchanged for or transferred to a Person who will take delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in another Global Note, such other Global Note shall be increased accordingly and an endorsement shall be made on such Global Note by the Trustee or by the Depository at the direction of the Trustee to reflect such increase.

### ARTICLE THREE REDEMPTION

SECTION 3.01. Notices to Trustee. The Notes may be redeemed, in whole, or from time to time in part, subject to the conditions and at the redemption prices set forth in Section 5 of the form of Note set forth in Exhibit A hereto, which is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this Indenture, together with accrued and unpaid interest to the Redemption Date. If the Issuer elects to redeem Notes pursuant to Section 5 of the Notes, it shall notify the Trustee in writing of the Redemption Date, the Redemption Price and the principal amount of Notes to be redeemed. The Issuer shall give notice of redemption to the Trustee at least 45 days before the Redemption Date (unless a shorter notice shall be agreed to by the Trustee), together with such documentation and records as shall enable the Trustee to select the Notes to be redeemed.

SECTION 3.02. Selection of Notes To Be Redeemed. If less than all of the Notes are to be redeemed at any time pursuant to Section 5 of the Notes, the Trustee shall select Notes for redemption as follows:

- (x) if such Notes are listed on a national securities exchange, in compliance with the requirements of the principal national securities exchange on which the Notes are then listed; or
- (y) if the Notes are not listed on any national securities exchange, on a pro rata basis, unless otherwise required by law.

No Notes of \$2,000 or less shall be redeemed in part.

SECTION 3.03. Notice of Redemption. At least 30 days but not more than 60 days before a Redemption Date, the Issuer shall mail a notice of redemption by first class mail, postage prepaid, or as otherwise provided in accordance with the procedures of the Depository, to each Holder whose Notes are to be redeemed at its registered address, except that redemption notices may be mailed more than 60 days prior to a Redemption Date if the notice is issued in connection with a defeasance of the Notes or a satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture pursuant to Article Eight or Article Eleven hereof. At the Issuer's request, the Trustee shall forward the notice of redemption in the Issuer's name and at the Issuer's expense. Each notice for redemption shall identify the Notes (including the CUSIP or ISIN number) to be redeemed and shall state:

- (1) the Redemption Date;
- (2) the Redemption Price and the amount of accrued interest, if any, to be paid;
- (3) the name and address of the Paying Agent;
- (4) that Notes called for redemption shall be surrendered to the Paying Agent to collect the Redemption Price plus accrued interest, if any;
- (5) that, unless the Issuer defaults in making the redemption payment, interest on Notes called for redemption ceases to accrue on and after the Redemption Date, and the only remaining right of the Holders of such Notes is to receive payment of the Redemption Price upon surrender to the Paying Agent of the Notes redeemed;
- (6) if any Note is being redeemed in part, the portion of the principal amount of such Note to be redeemed and that, after the Redemption Date, and upon surrender and cancellation of such Note, a new Note or Notes in aggregate principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion thereof will be issued; and
- (7) if fewer than all the Notes are to be redeemed, the identification of the particular Notes (or portion thereof) to be redeemed, as well as the aggregate principal amount of Notes to be redeemed and the aggregate principal amount of Notes to be outstanding after such partial redemption.

The notice, if mailed in a manner herein provided, shall be conclusively presumed to have been given, whether or not the Holder receives such notice. In any case, failure to give such notice by mail or any defect in the notice to the Holder of any Note designated for redemption in whole or in part shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any other Note. Notices of redemption may not be conditional.

At the Issuer's request, the Trustee shall give the notice of redemption in the name of the Issuer and at its expense; *provided* that the Issuer shall have delivered to the Trustee, at least 45 days prior to the Redemption Date (unless a shorter notice shall be agreed to by the Trustee), an Officer's Certificate requesting that the Trustee give such notice and setting forth the information to be stated in such notice as provided in the preceding paragraph.

SECTION 3.04. Effect of Notice of Redemption. Subject to Section 3.03, once notice of redemption is mailed in accordance with Section 3.03, Notes called for redemption become due and payable on the Redemption Date and at the Redemption Price plus accrued interest, if any. Upon surrender to the Trustee or Paying Agent, such Notes called for redemption shall be paid at the Redemption Price (which shall include accrued interest thereon to, but not including, the Redemption Date), but installments of interest, the maturity of which is on or prior to the Redemption Date, shall be payable to Holders of record at the close of business on the relevant Record Dates. On and after the Redemption Date interest shall cease to accrue on Notes or portions thereof called for redemption and the only right of the Holders of such Notes will be to receive payment of the Redemption Price unless the Issuer shall have not complied with its obligations pursuant to Section 3.05.

SECTION 3.05. Deposit of Redemption Price. On or before 12:00 noon New York City time (or such later time as has been agreed to by the Paying Agent) on the Redemption Date, the Issuer shall deposit with the Paying Agent U.S. Legal Tender sufficient to pay the Redemption Price plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, of all Notes to be redeemed on that date. The Paying Agent shall promptly return to the Issuer any money deposited with the Paying Agent by the Issuer in excess of the amounts necessary to pay the Redemption Price of, and accrued and unpaid interest on, all Notes to be redeemed or purchased.

If the Issuer complies with the preceding paragraph, then, unless the Issuer defaults in the payment of such Redemption Price plus accrued interest, if any, interest on the Notes to be redeemed will cease to accrue on and after the applicable Redemption Date, whether or not such Notes are presented for payment.

SECTION 3.06. Notes Redeemed in Part. If any Note is to be redeemed in part only, the notice of redemption that relates to such Note shall state the portion of the principal amount thereof to be redeemed. A new Note or Notes in principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion of the original Note or Notes shall be issued in the name of the Holder thereof upon surrender and cancellation of the original Note or Notes. It is understood that, notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, only an Authentication Order and not an Opinion of Counsel or Officer's Certificate is required for the Trustee to authenticate such new Note.

SECTION 3.07. Mandatory Redemption. The Issuer will not be required to make any mandatory redemption or sinking fund payments with respect to the Notes.

## **ARTICLE FOUR COVENANTS**

SECTION 4.01. Payment of Notes. The Issuer will pay or cause to be paid the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, the Notes on the dates and in the manner provided in the Notes and this Indenture. principal, premium, if any, and interest will be considered paid on the date due if (i) the Paying Agent, if other than the Issuer or a Subsidiary thereof, holds as of 12:00 noon Eastern Time on the due date money deposited by or on behalf of the Issuer in immediately available funds and designated for and sufficient to pay all principal, premium, if any, and interest then due or (ii) if the Issuer or a Subsidiary is acting as Paying Agent, the Issuer or such Subsidiary, prior to 12:00 noon New York City time on the due date, segregates and holds in trust U.S. Legal Tender sufficient to make payments of principal, premium and interest due on such date.

The Issuer will pay interest (including post-petition interest in any proceeding under any Bankruptcy Law) on overdue principal at the rate equal to 1% per annum in excess of the then applicable interest rate on the Notes to the extent lawful; it will pay interest (including post-petition interest in any proceeding under any Bankruptcy Law) on overdue installments of interest (without regard to any applicable grace period) at the same rate to the extent lawful. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, the Issuer may, to the extent it is required to do so by law, deduct or withhold income or other similar taxes imposed by the United States of America from principal or interest payments hereunder.

SECTION 4.02. Maintenance of Office or Agency. The Issuer will maintain in the Borough of Manhattan, the City of New York, the office or agency required under Section 2.03 (which may be an office of the Trustee, being U.S. Bank National Association, located at 100 Wall Street, Suite 1600, New York, New York 10005, or an affiliate of the Trustee, Registrar or co-registrar) where Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or for exchange and where notices and demands to or upon the Issuer in respect of the Notes and this Indenture may be served. The Issuer will give prompt written notice to the Trustee of the location, and any change in the location, of such office or agency. If at any time the Issuer fails to maintain any such required office or agency or fails to furnish the Trustee with the address thereof, such presentations, surrenders, notices and demands may be made or served at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee; provided, however, that any appointment of the Trustee as the Notice Agent shall exclude the appointment of the Trustee or any office of the Trustee as an agent to receive the service of legal process on the Issuer.

The Issuer may also from time to time designate one or more other offices or agencies where the Notes may be presented or surrendered for any or all such purposes and may from time to time rescind such designations; *provided, however*, that no such designation or rescission will in any manner relieve the Issuer of its obligation to maintain an office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, the City of New York for such purposes. The Issuer will give prompt written notice to the Trustee of any such designation or rescission and of any change in the location of any such other office or agency.

The Issuer hereby designates the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee as one such office or agency of the Issuer in accordance with Section 2.03 hereof.

SECTION 4.03. Corporate Existence. Subject to Article 5 hereof, the Issuer shall do or cause to be done all things necessary to preserve and keep in full force and effect:

(a) its corporate existence, and the corporate, partnership or other existence of each of its Subsidiaries, in accordance with the respective organizational documents (as the same may be amended from time to time) of the Issuer or any such Subsidiary; and

(b) the rights (charter and statutory), licenses and franchises of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries; *provided, however*, that the Issuer shall not be required to preserve any such right, license or franchise, or the corporate, partnership or other existence of any of its Subsidiaries, if the Board of Directors shall determine that the preservation thereof is no longer desirable in the conduct of the business of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, and that the loss thereof is not adverse in any material respect to the Holders of the Notes.

SECTION 4.04. Compliance Certificate; Notice of Default.

(a) The Issuer and each Guarantor (to the extent that such Guarantor is so required under the Trust Indenture Act) shall deliver to the Trustee, within 90 days after the end of each fiscal year commencing with the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021, an Officers' Certificate stating that a review of the activities of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries during the preceding fiscal year has been made under the supervision of the signing Officers with a view to determining whether the Issuer has kept, observed, performed and fulfilled its obligations under this Indenture and further stating, as to each such Officer signing such certificate, that to his or her knowledge after due inquiry the Issuer has kept, observed, performed and fulfilled each and every covenant contained in this Indenture and is not in default in the performance or observance of any of the terms, provisions and conditions of this Indenture (or, if a Default or Event of Default has occurred, describing all such Defaults or Events of Default of which he or she may have knowledge and what action the Issuer is taking or proposes to take with respect thereto) and that to his or her knowledge after due inquiry no event has occurred and remains in existence by reason of which payments on account of the principal of or interest, on the Notes is prohibited or if such event has occurred, a description of the event and what action the Issuer is taking or proposes to take with respect thereto.

(b) So long as any of the Notes are outstanding, the Issuer will deliver to the Trustee, forthwith upon any Officer becoming aware of any Default or Event of Default, an Officers' Certificate specifying such Default or Event of Default and what action the Issuer is taking or proposes to take with respect thereto.

SECTION 4.05. [Intentionally Omitted].

SECTION 4.06. Waiver of Stay, Extension or Usury Laws. The Issuer and each of the Guarantors covenants (to the extent that it may lawfully do so) that it will not at any time insist upon, plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay, extension or usury law wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, that may affect the covenants or the performance of this Indenture; and the Issuer and each of the Guarantors (to the extent that it may lawfully do so) hereby expressly waives all benefit or advantage of any such law, and covenants that it will not, by resort to any such law, hinder, delay or impede the execution of any power herein granted to the Trustee, but will suffer and permit the execution of every such power as though no such law has been enacted.

SECTION 4.07. Change of Control.

(a) Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, the Issuer shall make an offer (a “Change of Control Offer”) to each Holder to repurchase all or any part (equal to \$2,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof) of that Holder’s Notes at a purchase price in cash equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes repurchased plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, on the Notes repurchased to the date of purchase (the “Change of Control Payment”). Within ten Business Days following any Change of Control, the Issuer shall mail a notice to each Holder, with a copy to the trustee, describing the transaction or transactions that constitute the Change of Control and stating:

- (1) that the Change of Control Offer is being made pursuant to this Section 4.07 and that all Notes tendered will be accepted for payment;
- (2) the purchase price and the purchase date, which shall be no earlier than 30 days and no later than 60 days from the date such notice is mailed (the “Change of Control Payment Date”);
- (3) that any Note not tendered will continue to accrue interest;
- (4) that, unless the Issuer defaults in the payment of the Change of Control Payment, all Notes accepted for payment pursuant to the Change of Control Offer will cease to accrue interest after the Change of Control Payment Date;
- (5) that Holders electing to have any Notes purchased pursuant to a Change of Control Offer will be required to surrender the Notes, with the form entitled “Option of Holder to Elect Purchase” on the reverse of the Notes completed, to the Paying Agent at the address specified in the notice prior to the close of business on the third Business Day preceding the Change of Control Payment Date;
- (6) that Holders will be entitled to withdraw their election if the Paying Agent receives, not later than the close of business on the second Business Day preceding the Change of Control Payment Date, a telegram, telex, facsimile transmission or letter setting forth the name of the Holder, the principal amount of Notes delivered for purchase, and a statement that such Holder is withdrawing his election to have the Notes purchased; and
- (7) that Holders whose Notes are being purchased only in part will be issued new Notes equal in principal amount to the unpurchased portion of the Notes surrendered, which unpurchased portion must be equal to \$2,000 in principal amount or an integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof. The Issuer shall comply with the requirements of Rule 14e-1 under the Exchange Act and any other securities laws and regulations thereunder to the extent those laws and regulations are applicable in connection with the repurchase of the Notes as a result of a Change of Control. To the extent that the provisions of any securities laws or regulations conflict with the provisions of this Section 4.07, the Issuer shall comply with the applicable securities laws and regulations and shall not be deemed to have breached its obligations under this Section 4.07 by virtue of such conflict.

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

- (1) accept for payment all Notes or portions of Notes properly tendered pursuant to the Change of Control Offer;
- (2) deposit with the Paying Agent an amount equal to the Change of Control Payment in respect of all Notes or portions of Notes properly tendered; and

(3) deliver or cause to be delivered to the Trustee the Notes properly accepted together with an Officers' Certificate stating the aggregate principal amount of Notes or portions of Notes being purchased by the Issuer.

The Paying Agent shall promptly mail to each Holder of Notes properly tendered the Change of Control Payment for such Notes, and the Trustee shall promptly authenticate and mail (or cause to be transferred by book entry) to each Holder a new Note equal in principal amount to any unpurchased portion of the Notes surrendered, if any; *provided* that each new Note shall be in a principal amount of \$2,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

The Issuer shall publicly announce the results of the Change of Control Offer on or as soon as practicable after the Change of Control Payment Date.

The provisions described above that require the Issuer to make a Change of Control Offer following a Change of Control shall be applicable whether or not any other provisions of this Indenture are applicable.

(c) The Issuer shall not be required to make a Change of Control Offer upon a Change of Control if a third party makes the Change of Control Offer in the manner, at the times and otherwise in compliance with the requirements of this Section 4.07 applicable to a Change of Control Offer made by the Issuer and purchases all Notes properly tendered and not withdrawn under the Change of Control Offer.

SECTION 4.08. Limitation on Liens. The Issuer shall not, and shall not permit, prior to the Drop Away Date, any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, and, from and after the Drop Away Date, any of its Subsidiaries to, create, incur, assume or otherwise cause or suffer to exist or become effective any Lien of any kind (other than Permitted Liens) upon any of their Principal Properties, now owned or hereafter acquired, securing Indebtedness, unless all payments due under this Indenture and the Notes are secured on an equal and ratable basis with the obligations so secured until such time as such obligations are no longer secured by a Lien.

#### SECTION 4.09. Reports to Holders

(a) Whether or not required by the SEC, so long as any Notes are outstanding, the Issuer will furnish to the Holders of Notes that are outstanding, with a copy to the trustee, within 5 days of the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and regulations:

(1) all quarterly and annual financial and other information that would be required to be contained in a filing with the SEC on Forms 10-Q and 10-K if the Issuer were required to file such Forms, including a "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and, with respect to the annual information only, a report on the annual financial statements by the Issuer's certified independent accountants; and

(2) all current reports that would be required to be filed with the SEC on Form 8-K if the Issuer were required to file such reports.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer will be deemed to have furnished any information or reports specified in the immediately preceding paragraph, upon the Issuer's filing with the SEC of its required reports within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and regulations and such information and or reports are publicly available.

In addition, whether or not required by the SEC, the Issuer will file a copy of all of the information and reports referred to in clauses (1) and (2) above with the SEC for public availability within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and regulations (unless the SEC will not accept such a filing) and make such information available to prospective investors upon request. The Issuer will at all times comply with Trust Indenture Act Section 314(a).

(b) The Trustee shall not be under a duty to review or evaluate any report or information delivered to the Trustee pursuant to the provisions of this Section 4.09 for the purposes of making such reports available to it and to the Holders of Notes who may request such information. Delivery of such reports, information and documents to the Trustee as may be required under this Section 4.09 is for informational purposes only and the Trustee's receipt of such shall not constitute constructive notice of any information contained therein or determinable from information contained therein, including the Issuer's compliance with any of its covenants hereunder (as to which the Trustee is entitled to rely exclusively on Officers' Certificates). The trustee shall not be obligated to monitor or confirm, on a continuing basis or otherwise, the Issuer's compliance with the covenants or with respect to any reports or other documents filed with the SEC or EDGAR or any website, or participate in any conference calls.

SECTION 4.10. Additional Subsidiary Guarantees. If any Domestic Subsidiary of the Issuer that is not a Guarantor enters into a Guarantee of a Credit Facility of the Issuer or another Guarantor, then that Domestic Subsidiary shall become a Guarantor and shall (i) execute a Subsidiary Guarantee, (ii) execute a supplemental indenture in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit C and (iii) deliver an Opinion of Counsel satisfactory to the Trustee within 10 Business Days of the date on which it was joined to such Credit Facility. The form of Subsidiary Guarantee is attached as Exhibit B hereto.

SECTION 4.11. Drop Away Covenant. If on any date following the date of the indenture (the "Drop Away Date"):

(a) the notes are rated Baa3 or better by Moody's, BBB- or better by S&P or BBB- or better by Fitch (or, if any such entity ceases to rate the notes for reasons outside the control of the Issuer, the equivalent investment grade credit rating from any other "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" registered under Section 15E of the Exchange Act selected by the Issuer as a replacement agency); and

(b) no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing,

then, beginning on the Drop Away Date and continuing at all times thereafter regardless of any subsequent changes in the rating of the notes, the covenants specifically listed under the following sections in this Supplemental Indenture will no longer be applicable to the notes:

(1) Section 4.12 ; and

(2) Section 4.13

SECTION 4.12. Restricted Payments.

(a) The Issuer will not, and will not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly:

(1) declare or pay any dividend or make any other payment or distribution on account of the Issuer's or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries' Equity Interests (including, without limitation, any payment in connection with any merger or consolidation involving the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries) or to the direct or indirect holders of the Issuer's or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries' Equity Interests in their capacity as such (other than dividends or distributions payable in Equity Interests (other than Disqualified Stock) of the Issuer and other than dividends or distributions payable to the Issuer or a Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer);

(2) purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire or retire for value (including, without limitation, in connection with any merger or consolidation involving the Issuer) any Equity Interests of the Issuer or any direct or indirect parent of the Issuer;

(3) make any payment on or with respect to, or purchase, redeem, defease or otherwise acquire or retire for value any Indebtedness of the Issuer or any Guarantor that is contractually subordinated to the notes or to any Note Guarantee (excluding any intercompany Indebtedness between or among the Issuer and any of its Restricted Subsidiaries), except a payment of interest or principal at the Stated Maturity thereof; or

(4) make any Restricted Investment (all such payments and other actions set forth in these clauses (1) through (4) above being collectively referred to as “Restricted Payments”), unless, at the time of and after giving effect to such Restricted Payment:

(i) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would occur as a consequence of such Restricted Payment:

(ii) the Issuer would, at the time of such Restricted Payment and after giving pro forma effect thereto as if such Restricted Payment had been made at the beginning of the applicable four-quarter period, have been permitted to incur at least \$1.00 of additional Indebtedness pursuant to the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio test set forth in the first paragraph of the covenant described below under the Section 4.13; and

(iii) such Restricted Payment, together with the aggregate amount of all other Restricted Payments made by the Issuer and its Restricted Subsidiaries since the date of this Indenture (excluding Restricted Payments permitted by clauses (2) through (16) of the next succeeding paragraph), is less than the sum, without duplication, of:

(A) 50% of the Consolidated Net Income of the Issuer for the period (taken as one accounting period) from the beginning of the first fiscal quarter commencing after the date of this Indenture to the end of the Issuer’s most recently ended fiscal quarter for which internal financial statements are available at the time of such Restricted Payment (or, if such Consolidated Net Income for such period is a deficit, less 100% of such deficit) plus, if the difference between depreciation expense and maintenance capital expenditures (the “Net Depreciation”) is a positive number, Net Depreciation and, if Net Depreciation is a negative number, minus the absolute value of Net Depreciation; plus

(B) 100% of the aggregate tangible assets and net cash proceeds received by the Issuer since the date of this Indenture as a contribution to its common equity capital or from the issue or sale of Qualifying Equity Interests of the Issuer or from the issue or sale of convertible or exchangeable Disqualified Stock of the Issuer or convertible or exchangeable debt securities of the Issuer, in each case that have been converted into or exchanged for Qualifying Equity Interests of the Issuer (other than Qualifying Equity Interests and convertible or exchangeable Disqualified Stock or debt securities sold to a Subsidiary of the Issuer); plus

(C) to the extent that any Restricted Investment that was made after the date of this Indenture is (a) sold for cash or otherwise cancelled, liquidated or repaid for cash, or (b) made in an entity that subsequently becomes a Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer, the initial amount of such Restricted Investment (or, if less, the amount of cash received upon repayment or sale); plus

(D) to the extent that any Unrestricted Subsidiary of the Issuer designated as such after the date of this Indenture is redesignated as a Restricted Subsidiary after the date of this Indenture, the lesser of (i) the Fair Market Value of the Issuer’s Restricted Investment in such Subsidiary as of the date of such redesignation or (ii) such Fair Market Value as of the date on which such Subsidiary was originally designated as an Unrestricted Subsidiary after the date of this Indenture; plus

(E) \$50.0 million; plus

(F) 50% of any dividends received in cash by the Issuer or a Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer that is a Guarantor after the date of this Indenture from an Unrestricted Subsidiary of the Issuer, to the extent that such dividends were not otherwise included in the Consolidated Net Income of the Issuer for such period.

(b) The preceding provisions will not prohibit:

(1) the payment of any dividend or the consummation of any irrevocable redemption within 60 days after the date of declaration of the dividend or giving of the redemption notice, as the case may be, if at the date of declaration or notice, the dividend or redemption payment would have complied with the provisions of this Indenture;

(2) the making of any Restricted Payment in exchange for, or out of or with the net cash proceeds of the substantially concurrent sale (other than to a Subsidiary of the Issuer) of, Equity Interests of the Issuer (other than Disqualified Stock) or from the substantially concurrent contribution of common equity capital to the Issuer; provided that the amount of any such net cash proceeds that are utilized for any such Restricted Payment will not be considered to be net proceeds of Qualifying Equity Interests for purposes of clause (c)(2) of the preceding paragraph;

(3) the payment of any dividend (or, in the case of any partnership or limited liability company, any similar distribution) by a Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer to the holders of its Equity Interests on a pro rata basis;

(4) the repurchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement for value of Subordinated Indebtedness of the Issuer or any Guarantor, including premium, if any, and accrued and unpaid interest, with the net cash proceeds from a substantially concurrent incurrence of Subordinated Indebtedness incurred under clause (5) of the covenant described above under the caption "Limitation on Indebtedness and Issuance of Preferred Stock";

(5) so long as no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the repurchase, redemption or other acquisition or retirement for value of any Equity Interests of the Issuer or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer held by any current or former officer, director or employee of the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries pursuant to any equity subscription agreement, stock option agreement, shareholders' agreement, restricted stock unit awards, or similar agreement; provided that the aggregate price paid for all such repurchased, redeemed, acquired or retired Equity Interests may not exceed \$5.0 million in any twelve-month period; provided further, that the Issuer may carry over and make in subsequent twelve-month periods, in addition to the amounts permitted for such twelve-month period, all of unutilized capacity under this clause (5) attributable to the immediately preceding twelve-month period;

(6) the repurchase of Equity Interests deemed to occur upon the exercise of stock options to the extent such Equity Interests represent a portion of the exercise price of those stock options;

(7) so long as no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the declaration and payment of regularly scheduled or accrued dividends to holders of any class or series of Disqualified Stock of the Issuer or any preferred stock of any Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer issued on or after the date of this Indenture in accordance with the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio test described below under the Section 4.13;

(8) payments of cash, dividends, distributions, advances or other Restricted Payments by the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to allow the payment of cash in lieu of the issuance of fractional shares upon (i) the exercise of options or warrants or (ii) the conversion or exchange of Capital Stock of any such Person;

(9) so long as no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, other Restricted Payments in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$50.0 million;

(10) the acquisition or re-acquisition, whether by forfeiture or in connection with satisfying applicable payroll or withholding tax obligations, of Equity Interest of the Issuer in connection with the administration of their equity compensation programs in the ordinary course of business;

(11) the repurchase, redemption or other acquisition or retirement for value of any Subordinated Indebtedness pursuant to the provisions similar to those described under the Change of Control provisions of this Indenture; provided that such repurchase, redemption or other acquisition or retirement occurs after all notes tendered by holders in connection with a related offer to purchase have been repurchased, redeemed or acquired for value in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture;

(12) the declaration and payment of dividends on Disqualified Stock the issuance of which was permitted under this Indenture; provided that, at the time of payment of such dividend, no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing (or would result therefrom);

(13) payments or distributions to dissenting holders of Capital Stock of the Issuer pursuant to applicable law pursuant to or in connection with a consolidation, merger or transfer of assets that complies with the provisions of this Indenture;

(14) the dividend or distribution of the Capital Stock of an Unrestricted Subsidiary (other than Unrestricted Subsidiaries the primary assets of which are cash and/or cash equivalents);

(15) cash distributions by the Issuer to the holders of Equity Interests of the Issuer in accordance with a distribution reinvestment plan or dividend reinvestment plan to the extent such payments are applied to the purchase of Equity Interests directly from the Issuer;

(16) any Restricted Payments (x) in the form of cash distributions with respect to any taxable period in which the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries is treated as a disregarded entity, partnership or S corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes or is a member of a consolidated, combined, unitary or similar tax group to any equityholders, to enable such equityholders to pay any taxes attributable solely to the income, operations and/or ownership of the Issuer and/or its Restricted Subsidiaries or its Unrestricted Subsidiaries to the extent of any cash distribution from such Unrestricted Subsidiaries made to the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, as applicable, or (y) to permit any direct or indirect parent to pay franchise taxes and other similar taxes and expenses, in each case, in connection with the maintenance of its legal existence;

The amount of all Restricted Payments (other than cash) will be the Fair Market Value on the date of the Restricted Payment of the asset(s) or securities proposed to be transferred or issued by the Issuer or such Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, pursuant to the Restricted Payment. The Fair Market Value of any assets or securities that are required to be valued by this covenant will be determined by the Board of Directors of the Issuer whose resolution with respect thereto will be delivered to the trustee. The Board of Directors' determination must be based upon an opinion or appraisal issued by an accounting, appraisal or investment banking firm of national standing if the Fair Market Value exceeds \$25.0 million.

SECTION 4.13. Incurrence of Indebtedness and Issuance of Preferred Stock. The Issuer will not, and will not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly, create, incur, issue, assume, guarantee or otherwise become directly or indirectly liable, contingently or otherwise, with respect to (collectively, "incur") any Indebtedness (including Acquired Debt), and the Issuer will not issue any Disqualified Stock and will not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to issue any shares of preferred stock; provided, however, that the Issuer may incur Indebtedness (including Acquired Debt) or issue Disqualified Stock, and its Restricted Subsidiaries may incur Indebtedness (including Acquired Debt) or issue preferred stock, if the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio for the Issuer's most recently ended four full fiscal quarters for which internal financial statements are available immediately preceding the date on which such additional Indebtedness is incurred or such Disqualified Stock or such preferred stock is issued, as the case may be, would have been at least 2.0 to 1.0, determined on a pro forma basis (including a pro forma application of the net proceeds therefrom), as if the additional Indebtedness had been incurred or the Disqualified Stock or the preferred stock had been issued, as the case may be, at the beginning of such four-quarter period.

The first paragraph of this covenant will not prohibit the incurrence of any of the following items of Indebtedness (collectively, "Permitted Debt"):

(a) the incurrence by the Issuer and any Restricted Subsidiary of additional Indebtedness and letters of credit under Credit Facilities in an aggregate principal amount at any one time outstanding under this clause (a) (with letters of credit being deemed to have a principal amount equal to the maximum potential liability of the Issuer and its Restricted Subsidiaries thereunder) not to exceed (x) \$1.0 billion plus (y) 2.5% of Adjusted Total Assets at any one time outstanding;

- (b) the incurrence by the Issuer and its Restricted Subsidiaries of the Existing Indebtedness;
- (c) the incurrence by the Issuer and the Guarantors of Indebtedness represented by the notes and the related Note Guarantees to be issued on the date of this Indenture;
- (d) the incurrence by the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of Indebtedness represented by Capital Lease Obligations, mortgage financings or purchase money obligations, in each case, incurred within 270 days of the related purchase, construction or improvement for the purpose of financing all or any part of the purchase price or cost of design, construction, installation or improvement of property, plant or equipment used in the business of the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in an aggregate principal amount, including all Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness incurred to renew, refund, refinance, or replace, defease or discharge any Indebtedness incurred pursuant to this clause (d);
- (e) the incurrence by the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness in exchange for, or the net proceeds of which are used to renew, refund, refinance, replace, defease or discharge any Indebtedness (other than intercompany Indebtedness) that was permitted by this Indenture to be incurred under the first paragraph of this covenant or clauses (b), (c), (d), (e), (l) or (m) of this paragraph;
- (f) the incurrence by the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of intercompany Indebtedness between or among the Issuer and any of its Restricted Subsidiaries; provided, however, that:
- (1) if the Issuer or any Guarantor is the obligor on such Indebtedness and the payee is not the Issuer or a Guarantor, such Indebtedness must be unsecured and expressly subordinated to the prior payment in full in cash of all Obligations then due with respect to the notes, in the case of the Issuer, or the Note Guarantee, in the case of a Guarantor; and
- (2) (i) any subsequent issuance or transfer of Equity Interests that results in any such Indebtedness being held by a Person other than the Issuer or a Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer and (ii) any sale or other transfer of any such Indebtedness to a Person that is not either the Issuer or a Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer, will be deemed, in each case, to constitute an incurrence of such Indebtedness by the Issuer or such Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, that was not permitted by this clause (f);
- (g) the issuance by any of the Issuer's Restricted Subsidiaries to the Issuer or to any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of shares of preferred stock; provided, however, that:
- (1) any subsequent issuance or transfer of Equity Interests that results in any such preferred stock being held by a Person other than the Issuer or a Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer; and
- (2) any sale or other transfer of any such preferred stock to a Person that is not either the Issuer or a Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer, will be deemed, in each case, to constitute an issuance of such preferred stock by such Restricted Subsidiary that was not permitted by this clause (g);
- (h) the incurrence by the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of Hedging Obligations;
- (i) the guarantee by the Issuer or any of the Guarantors of Indebtedness of the Issuer or a Restricted Subsidiary of the Issuer to the extent that the guaranteed Indebtedness was permitted to be incurred by another provision of this covenant; provided that if the Indebtedness being guaranteed is subordinated to or pari passu with the notes, then the Guarantee must be subordinated or pari passu, as applicable, to the same extent as the Indebtedness guaranteed;
- (j) the incurrence by the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of Indebtedness in respect of workers' compensation claims, self-insurance obligations, bankers' acceptances, performance and surety bonds in the ordinary course of business;

(k) the incurrence by the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of Indebtedness arising from the honoring by a bank or other financial institution of a check, draft or similar instrument inadvertently drawn against insufficient funds, so long as such Indebtedness is covered within five business days;

(l) the incurrence by the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of additional Indebtedness in an aggregate principal amount (or accreted value, as applicable) at any time outstanding, including all Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness incurred to renew, refund, refinance, replace, defease or discharge any Indebtedness incurred pursuant to this clause (l), not to exceed the greater of (i) \$100.0 million and (ii) 5% of Adjusted Total Assets;

(m) Indebtedness of any Person (a) outstanding on the date of any acquisition of such Person, including through the acquisition of a Person that becomes a Subsidiary of the Issuer or is acquired by, or merged or consolidated with or into, the Issuer or any Subsidiary of the Issuer, or that is assumed the Issuer or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in connection with any such acquisition (other than Indebtedness incurred by such Person in connection with, or in contemplation of, such acquisition, merger or consolidation) or (b) incurred by the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries to provide all or any portion of the funds utilized to acquire, or to consummate the transaction or series of related transactions in connection with or in contemplation of any acquisition of, any Investments or other securities or assets, including through the acquisition of a Person that becomes a Subsidiary of the Issuer or is acquired by, or merged or consolidated with or into, the Issuer or any Subsidiary of the Issuer, provided, however, that immediately after giving effect to the incurrence of such Indebtedness pursuant to this clause (m) and, if applicable, the repayment, repurchase, defeasance, redemption, refinancing or other discharge of any other Indebtedness in connection with such acquisition, merger or consolidation and the other pro forma adjustments, if applicable, set forth in the definition of “Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio” on a pro forma basis, either (i) the Issuer would have been able to incur at least \$1.00 of additional Indebtedness under the first paragraph of the covenant described in this heading “—Incurrence of Indebtedness and Issuance of Preferred Stock” or (ii) the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio would have been greater than or equal to the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio immediately prior to such transaction;

(n) Permitted Government Revenue Bond Indebtedness;

(o) contingent liabilities in respect of any indemnification, adjustment of purchase price, non-compete, consulting, deferred taxes and similar obligations of the Issuer and the Restricted Subsidiaries incurred in connection with acquisitions;

(p) Indebtedness in respect of (i) taxes, assessments, governmental charges or levies and (ii) deferred compensation to employees incurred in the ordinary course of business;

(q) Indebtedness arising from or in connection with accounts payable for deferred purchase price of property or services in the ordinary course of business greater than 90 days past the invoice billing date which are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings and for which adequate reserves shall be have been established in conformity with GAAP; and

(r) Indebtedness supported by a letter of credit procured by the Issuer or any of the Restricted Subsidiaries in a principal amount not in excess of the stated amount of such letter of credit and where the underlying Indebtedness would otherwise be permitted.

The Issuer will not incur, and will not permit any Guarantor to incur, any Indebtedness (including Permitted Debt) that is contractually subordinated in right of payment to any other Indebtedness of the Issuer or such Guarantor unless such Indebtedness is also contractually subordinated in right of payment to the notes and the applicable Note Guarantee on substantially identical terms; provided, however, that no Indebtedness will be deemed to be contractually subordinated in right of payment to any other Indebtedness of the Issuer solely by virtue of being unsecured or by virtue of being secured on a junior priority basis.

For purposes of determining compliance with this Section 4.13 covenant, in the event that an item of Indebtedness meets the criteria of more than one of the categories of Permitted Debt described in clauses (a) through (r) above, or is entitled to be incurred pursuant to the first paragraph of this covenant, the Issuer will be permitted to classify such item of Indebtedness on the date of its incurrence, or later reclassify all or a portion of such item of Indebtedness, in any manner that complies with this covenant. Indebtedness under the Revolving Credit Facility outstanding on the date on which notes are first issued and authenticated under this Indenture will initially be deemed to have been incurred on such date in reliance on the exception provided by clause (1) of the definition of Permitted Debt. The accrual of interest or preferred stock dividends, the accretion or amortization of original issue discount, the payment of interest on any Indebtedness in the form of additional Indebtedness with the same terms, the reclassification of preferred stock as Indebtedness due to a change in accounting principles, and the payment of dividends on preferred stock or Disqualified Stock in the form of additional shares of the same class of preferred stock or Disqualified Stock will not be deemed to be an incurrence of Indebtedness or an issuance of preferred stock or Disqualified Stock for purposes of this covenant; provided, in each such case, that the amount thereof is included in Fixed Charges of the Issuer as accrued. For purposes of determining compliance with any U.S. dollar-denominated restriction on the incurrence of Indebtedness, the U.S. dollar-equivalent principal amount of Indebtedness denominated in a foreign currency shall be utilized, calculated based on the relevant currency exchange rate in effect on the date such Indebtedness was incurred. Notwithstanding any other provision of this covenant, the maximum amount of Indebtedness that the Issuer or any Restricted Subsidiary may incur pursuant to this covenant shall not be deemed to be exceeded solely as a result of fluctuations in exchange rates or currency values.

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

- (1) the accreted value of the Indebtedness, in the case of any Indebtedness issued with original issue discount;
- (2) the principal amount of the Indebtedness, in the case of any other Indebtedness; and
- (3) in respect of Indebtedness of another Person secured by a Lien on the assets of the specified Person, the lesser of:
  - (i) the Fair Market Value of such assets at the date of determination; and
  - (ii) the amount of the Indebtedness of the other Person.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in the event an item of Indebtedness is incurred, assumed or issued or any Lien is incurred or assumed in reliance on a ratio basket based on the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio, such ratio(s) shall be calculated with respect to such incurrence, assumption, issuance or other transaction without giving effect to amounts being utilized under any other basket (other than a ratio basket based on the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio on the same date).

## **ARTICLE FIVE SUCCESSOR CORPORATION**

SECTION 5.01. Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets. The Issuer shall not, in a single transaction or a series of related transactions, consolidate with or merge with or into any other Person or sell, assign, convey, transfer, lease or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of its properties and assets to any Person or group of affiliated Persons, or permit any of its Subsidiaries to enter into any such transaction or transactions if such transaction or transactions, in the aggregate, would result in an assignment, conveyance, transfer, lease or disposition of all or substantially all of the properties and assets of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole to any other Person or group of affiliated Persons, unless at the time and after giving effect thereto:

- (1) either: (a) the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries is the surviving corporation; or (b) the Person formed by or surviving any such consolidation or merger (if other than the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries) or to which such sale, assignment, transfer, conveyance or other disposition has been made is a corporation organized or existing under the laws of the United States, any state of the United States or the District of Columbia;

(2) the Person formed by or surviving any such consolidation or merger (if other than the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries) or the Person to which such sale, assignment, transfer, conveyance or other disposition has been made assumes all the obligations of the Issuer under the Notes and this Indenture; and

(3) immediately after such transaction no Default or Event of Default exists.

The covenant described under this Section 5.01 shall not apply to: (i) a sale, assignment, transfer, conveyance or other disposition of assets between or among the Issuer and any of its Subsidiaries; (ii) any merger of a Subsidiary of the Issuer into the Issuer or another Subsidiary of the Issuer; (iii) any merger of the Issuer into a wholly owned Subsidiary created for the purpose of holding the Equity Interests of the Issuer; or (iv) a merger between the Issuer and a newly-created Affiliate incorporated solely for the purpose of reincorporating the Issuer in another state of the United States.

SECTION 5.02. Successor Corporation Substituted. Upon any consolidation or merger, or any sale, assignment, transfer, lease, conveyance or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer in a transaction that is subject to, and that complies with the provisions of, Section 5.01 hereof, the successor Person formed by such consolidation or into or with which the Issuer is merged or to which such sale, assignment, transfer, lease, conveyance or other disposition is made shall succeed to, and be substituted for (so that from and after the date of such consolidation, merger, sale, assignment, transfer, lease, conveyance or other disposition, the provisions of this Indenture referring to the “Issuer” shall refer instead to the successor corporation and not to the Issuer), and may exercise every right and power of the Issuer under this Indenture and the Notes with the same effect as if such successor Person had been named as the Issuer herein and therein; *provided, however*, that the predecessor Issuer shall not be relieved from the obligation to pay the principal of and interest on the Notes except in the case of a sale of all of the Issuer’s assets in a transaction that is subject to, and that complies with the provisions of, Section 5.01 hereof.

## ARTICLE SIX DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

SECTION 6.01. Events of Default. Each of the following is an “Event of Default”:

(1) the Issuer defaults for 30 days in the payment when due of interest on the Notes;

(2) the Issuer defaults in the payment when due (at maturity, upon redemption or otherwise) of the principal of, or premium, if any, on the Notes;

(3) the Issuer fails to comply with the provisions of Section 4.07 or 5.01 hereof;

(4) the Issuer or any Guarantor fails to observe or perform any other covenant or agreement in this Indenture or the Notes for 60 consecutive days after written notice to the Issuer by the Trustee or the Holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding voting as a single class;

(5) a default occurs under any mortgage, indenture or instrument under which there may be issued or by which there may be secured or evidenced any Indebtedness for money borrowed by the Issuer or any of Guarantor (or the payment of which is guaranteed by the Issuer or any Guarantor), whether such Indebtedness or guarantee now exists, or is created after the Issue Date, if that default:

(A) is caused by a failure to pay principal of, or interest or premium, if any, on such Indebtedness prior to the expiration of the grace period provided in such Indebtedness on the date of such default (a “Payment Default”); or

(B) results in the acceleration of such Indebtedness prior to its express maturity,

and, in each case, the principal amount of any such Indebtedness, together with the principal amount of any other such Indebtedness under which there has been a Payment Default or the maturity of which has been so accelerated, aggregates \$50.0 million or more;

(6) failure by the Issuer or any Guarantor to pay final judgments entered by a court or courts of competent jurisdiction aggregating in excess of \$50.0 million, which judgments are not paid, discharged or stayed for a period of 60 days;

(7) the Issuer or any Subsidiary that is a Significant Subsidiary or any group of Subsidiaries that, taken as a whole, would constitute a Significant Subsidiary pursuant to or within the meaning of Bankruptcy Law:

- (A) commences a voluntary case,
- (B) consents to the entry of an order for relief against it in an involuntary case,
- (C) consents to the appointment of a custodian of it or for all or substantially all of its property,
- (D) makes a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors, or
- (E) generally is not paying its debts as they become due;

(8) a court of competent jurisdiction enters an order or decree under any Bankruptcy Law that:

(A) is for relief against the Issuer or any of its Significant Subsidiaries or any group of Subsidiaries that, taken as a whole, would constitute a Significant Subsidiary in an involuntary case;

(B) appoints a custodian of the Issuer or any of its Significant Subsidiaries or any group of Subsidiaries that, taken as a whole, would constitute a Significant Subsidiary or for all or substantially all of the property of the Issuer or any of its Significant Subsidiaries or any group of Subsidiaries that, taken as a whole, would constitute a Significant Subsidiary; or

(C) orders the liquidation of the Issuer or any of its Significant Subsidiaries or any group of Subsidiaries that, taken as a whole, would constitute a Significant Subsidiary; and the order or decree remains unstayed and in effect for 60 consecutive days; or

(9) except as permitted by this Indenture, any Subsidiary Guarantee shall be held in any judicial proceeding to be unenforceable or invalid or shall cease for any reason to be in full force and effect or any Guarantor, or any Person acting on behalf of any Guarantor, shall deny or disaffirm its obligations under its Subsidiary Guarantee.

SECTION 6.02. Acceleration. In the case of an Event of Default specified in clause (7) or (8) of Section 6.01 hereof, with respect to the Issuer, any Subsidiary that is a Significant Subsidiary or any group of Subsidiaries that, taken as a whole, would constitute a Significant Subsidiary, all outstanding Notes will become due and payable immediately without further action or notice. If any other Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee or the Holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes, by written notice to the Issuer (and the Trustee if such notice is given by the Holders) may declare all the Notes to be due and payable immediately.

Upon any such declaration, the Notes shall become due and payable immediately. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if an Event of Default specified in clause (7) or (8) of Section 6.01 hereof occurs with respect to the Issuer, any Subsidiary that is a Significant Subsidiary or any group of Subsidiaries that, taken as a whole, would constitute a Significant Subsidiary, all outstanding Notes shall be due and payable immediately without further action or notice. The Holders of at least majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes by written notice to the Trustee may on behalf of all of the Holders waive any existing Default or Event of Default and rescind and annul an acceleration and its consequences if the rescission would not conflict with any judgment or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction and if all existing Events of Default (except nonpayment of principal, interest or premium, if any, that has become due solely because of the acceleration) have been cured or waived.

SECTION 6.03. Other Remedies. If an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee may pursue any available remedy to collect the payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest on the Notes or to enforce the performance of any provision of the Notes or this Indenture.

The Trustee may maintain a proceeding even if it does not possess any of the Notes or does not produce any of them in the proceeding. A delay or omission by the Trustee or any Holder of a Note in exercising any right or remedy accruing upon an Event of Default shall not impair the right or remedy or constitute a waiver of or acquiescence in the Event of Default. All remedies are cumulative to the extent permitted by law.

SECTION 6.04. Waiver of Past Defaults. Holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes (which may include consents obtained in connection with a tender offer or exchange offer of Notes) by notice in writing to the Trustee may on behalf of the Holders of all of the Notes waive an existing Default or Event of Default and its consequences hereunder, except a continuing Default or Event of Default in the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest on, the Notes as specified in Section 6.01(1) or (2) (including in connection with an offer to purchase); *provided, however*, that the Holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes may rescind an acceleration and its consequences, including any related payment default that resulted in or from such acceleration. Upon any such waiver, such Default or Event of Default shall cease to exist, and any Default or Event of Default arising therefrom shall be deemed to have been cured for every purpose of this Indenture; but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any right consequent thereon.

SECTION 6.05. Control by Majority. Holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes may direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for exercising any remedy available to the Trustee or exercising any trust or power conferred on it. However, the Trustee may refuse to follow any direction that conflicts with law or this Indenture or that the Trustee determines may be unduly prejudicial to the rights of other Holders of Notes or that may involve the Trustee in personal liability. The Trustee shall be entitled to take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee which is not inconsistent with such direction or this Indenture.

SECTION 6.06. Limitation on Suits. A Holder of a Note may pursue a remedy with respect to this Indenture or the Notes only if:

- (1) the Holder gives to the Trustee written notice of a continuing Event of Default;
- (2) the Holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes make a written request to the Trustee to pursue the remedy;
- (3) such Holder or Holders offer and, if requested, provide to the Trustee indemnity satisfactory to the Trustee against any loss, liability or expense;
- (4) the Trustee does not comply with the request within 60 days after receipt of the request and the offer and, if requested, the provision of indemnity; and
- (5) during such 60-day period the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes do not give the Trustee a written direction inconsistent with the request.

A Holder of a Note may not use this Indenture to prejudice the rights of another Holder of a Note or to obtain a preference or priority over another Holder of a Note.

SECTION 6.07. Rights of Holders of Notes to Receive Payment. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the right of any Holder of a Note to receive payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest on the Note, on or after the respective due dates expressed in the Note (including in connection with an offer to purchase), or to bring suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after such respective dates, shall not be impaired or affected without the consent of such Holder.

SECTION 6.08. Collection Suit by Trustee. If an Event of Default specified in Section 6.01(1) or (2) hereof occurs and is continuing, the Trustee is authorized to recover judgment in its own name and as trustee of an express trust against the Issuer for the whole amount of principal of, premium, if any, and interest remaining unpaid on the Notes and interest on overdue principal and, to the extent lawful, interest and such further amount as shall be sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel.

SECTION 6.09. Trustee May File Proofs of Claim. The Trustee is authorized to file such proofs of claim and other papers or documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel) and the Holders of the Notes allowed in any judicial proceedings relative to the Issuer (or any other obligor upon the Notes), its creditors or its property and shall be entitled and empowered to collect, receive and distribute any money or other property payable or deliverable on any such claims and any custodian in any such judicial proceeding is hereby authorized by each Holder to make such payments to the Trustee, and in the event that the Trustee shall consent to the making of such payments directly to the Holders, to pay to the Trustee any amount due to it for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel, and any other amounts due the Trustee under Section 7.07 hereof. To the extent that the payment of any such compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and counsel, and any other amounts due the Trustee under Section 7.07 hereof out of the estate in any such proceeding, shall be denied for any reason, payment of the same shall be secured by a Lien on, and shall be paid out of, any and all distributions, dividends, money, securities and other properties that the Holders may be entitled to receive in such proceeding whether in liquidation or under any plan of reorganization or arrangement or otherwise. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or accept or adopt on behalf of any Holder any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Notes or the rights of any Holder, or to authorize the Trustee to vote in respect of the claim of any Holder in any such proceeding.

SECTION 6.10. Priorities. If the Trustee collects any money pursuant to this Article 6, it shall pay out the money in the following order:

First: to the Trustee, its agents and attorneys for amounts due under Section 7.07 hereof, including payment of all compensation, expense and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and the costs and expenses of collection;

Second: to Holders of Notes for amounts due and unpaid on the Notes for principal, premium, if any, and interest, ratably, without preference or priority of any kind, according to the amounts due and payable on the Notes for principal, premium, if any, and interest, respectively; and

Third: to the Issuer or to such party as a court of competent jurisdiction shall direct.

The Trustee may fix a record date and payment date for any payment to Holders of Notes pursuant to this Section 6.10.

SECTION 6.11. Undertaking for Costs. In any suit for the enforcement of any right or remedy under this Indenture or in any suit against the Trustee for any action taken or omitted by it as a Trustee, a court in its discretion may require the filing by any party litigant in the suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of the suit, and the court in its discretion may assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in the suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by the party litigant. This Section 6.11 does not apply to a suit by the Trustee, a suit by a Holder of a Note pursuant to Section 6.07 hereof, or a suit by Holders of more than 10% in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes.

SECTION 6.12. Restoration of Rights and Remedies. If the Trustee or any Holder has instituted any proceeding to enforce any right or remedy under this Indenture and such proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to the Trustee or to such Holder, then and in every such case, subject to any determination in such proceedings or any other proceedings, the Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders shall be restored severally and respectively to their former positions hereunder and thereafter all rights and remedies hereunder of the Trustee and the Holders shall continue as though no such proceeding has been instituted.

## ARTICLE SEVEN TRUSTEE

### SECTION 7.01. Duties of Trustee.

- (a) If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee shall exercise such of the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise as a prudent person would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of his or her own affairs.
- (b) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default:
- (1) The Trustee need perform only those duties as are specifically set forth herein or in the Trust Indenture Act and no duties, covenants, responsibilities or obligations shall be implied in this Indenture against the Trustee.
- (2) In the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, upon certificates (including Officer's Certificates) or opinions (including Opinions of Counsel) furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture. However, in the case of any such certificates or opinions which by any provision hereof are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee, the Trustee shall examine the certificates and opinions to determine whether or not they conform to the requirements of this Indenture.
- (c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Trustee may not be relieved from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act, or its own willful misconduct, except that:
- (1) This paragraph does not limit the effect of Section 7.01(b).
- (2) The Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Responsible Officer, unless it is proved that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts.
- (3) The Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action it takes or omits to take in good faith in accordance with a direction received by it pursuant to Section 6.05.
- (d) No provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties hereunder or to take or omit to take any action under this Indenture or take any action at the request or direction of Holders if it shall have reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of such funds is not assured to it.
- (e) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture that in any way relates to the Trustee is subject to this Section 7.01 and Section 7.02.
- (f) The Trustee shall not be liable for interest on any money received by it or for any loss which may result from any investment or sale of investment, except as the Trustee may agree in writing with the Issuer. Money held in trust by the Trustee need not be segregated from other funds except to the extent required by law or unless otherwise agreed with the Issuer.

(g) In the absence of bad faith, negligence or willful misconduct on the part of the Trustee, the Trustee shall not be responsible for the application of any money by any Paying Agent other than the Trustee.

SECTION 7.02. Rights of Trustee. Subject to Section 7.01:

(a) The Trustee may rely conclusively on any resolution, certificate (including any Officer's Certificate), statement, instrument, opinion (including any Opinion of Counsel), notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, debenture or other paper or document believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper Person. The Trustee need not investigate any fact or matter stated in the document.

(b) Before the Trustee acts or refrains from acting, it may require an Officer's Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, which shall conform to the provisions of Section 11.05. The Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith in reliance on such Officer's Certificate or Opinion of Counsel.

(c) The Trustee may act through its attorneys and agents and shall not be responsible for the misconduct or negligence of any agent (other than an agent who is an employee of the Trustee) appointed with due care.

(d) The Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith which it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers under this Indenture.

(e) The Trustee may consult with counsel of its selection and the advice or opinion of such counsel as to matters of law shall be full and complete authorization and protection from liability in respect of any action taken, omitted or suffered by it hereunder in good faith and in accordance with the advice or opinion of such counsel.

(f) The Trustee shall be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request, order or direction of any of the Holders pursuant to the provisions of this Indenture, unless such Holders shall have offered to the Trustee reasonable security or indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs, expenses and liabilities which may be incurred therein or thereby.

(g) The Trustee shall not be bound to make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate (including any Officer's Certificate), statement, instrument, opinion (including any Opinion of Counsel), notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, debenture, or other paper or document, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may make such further inquiry or investigation into such facts or matters as it may see fit and, if the Trustee shall determine to make such further inquiry or investigation, it shall be entitled, upon reasonable notice to the Issuer, to examine the books, records, and premises of the Issuer, personally or by agent or attorney at the sole cost of the Issuer.

(h) The Trustee shall not be required to give any bond or surety in respect of the performance of its powers and duties hereunder.

(i) The permissive rights of the Trustee to do things enumerated in this Indenture shall not be construed as duties.

(j) Except with respect to Sections 4.01 and 4.04, the Trustee shall have no duty to monitor or inquire as to the performance or duties of the Issuer. In addition, the Trustee shall not be deemed to have knowledge of a Default or an Event of Default except (i) any Default or Event of Default occurring pursuant to Section 4.01, 6.01(1) or 6.01(2) or (ii) any Default or Event of Default actually known to a Responsible Officer.

(k) The rights, privileges, protections, immunities and benefits given to the Trustee, including its right to be indemnified, are extended to, and shall be enforceable by, the Trustee in each of its capacities hereunder, and to each agent, custodian and other Person employed to act hereunder.

(l) Any action to be taken, or omitted to be taken, by the Trustee in good faith pursuant to this Indenture upon the request or authority or consent of any person who, at the time of making such request or giving such authority or consent, is the holder of any Security shall be conclusive and binding upon future holders of Securities, and upon Securities executed and delivered in exchange therefor or in place thereof.

(m) The Trustee may request that the Issuer deliver an Officer's Certificate setting forth the names of individuals and/or titles of officers authorized at such time to take specified actions pursuant to this Indenture, which Officer's Certificate may be signed by any Person authorized to sign an Officer's Certificate, including any Person specified as so authorized in any certificate previously delivered and not superseded.

SECTION 7.03. Individual Rights of Trustee. The Trustee in its individual or any other capacity may become the owner or pledgee of Notes and may otherwise deal with the Issuer, their Subsidiaries or their respective Affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee. However, in the event that the Trustee acquires any conflicting interest, as described in the Trust Indenture Act, it must eliminate such conflict within 90 days, apply to the SEC for permission to continue as Trustee or resign. Any Agent may do the same with like rights. However, the Trustee shall comply with Sections 7.10 and 7.11.

SECTION 7.04. Trustee's Disclaimer. The Trustee shall not be responsible for and makes no representation as to the validity or adequacy of this Indenture or the Notes, it shall not be accountable for the Issuer's use of the proceeds from the Notes, and it shall not be responsible for any statement of the Issuer in this Indenture or any document issued in connection with the sale of Notes or any statement in the Notes other than the Trustee's certificate of authentication. The Trustee makes no representations with respect to the effectiveness or adequacy of this Indenture.

SECTION 7.05. Notice of Default. If a Default occurs and is continuing and is actually known to the Trustee pursuant to Section 7.02(j), the Trustee shall send to each Holder notice of the uncured Default within 90 days after the Trustee has actual knowledge that such Default occurred. Except in the case of a Default in payment of principal of, or interest on, any Note, including an accelerated payment and the failure to make a payment pursuant to a Change of Control Offer or a Default in complying with the provisions of Article Five, the Trustee may withhold the notice if and so long as the Board of Directors, the executive committee, or a trust committee of directors and/or Responsible Officers, of the Trustee in good faith determines that withholding the notice is in the interest of the Holders.

SECTION 7.06. Reports by Trustee to Holders. Within 60 days after each April 1, beginning with April 1, 2022, the Trustee shall, to the extent that any of the events described in Trust Indenture Act § 313(a) occurred within the previous twelve months, but not otherwise, mail to each Holder a brief report dated as of such date that complies with Trust Indenture Act § 313(a). The Trustee also shall comply with Trust Indenture Act §§ 313(b), 313(c) and 313(d).

A copy of each report at the time of its mailing to Holders shall be mailed to the Issuer and filed with the SEC and each securities exchange, if any, on which the Notes are listed.

The Issuer shall notify the Trustee if the Notes become listed on any securities exchange or of any delisting thereof and the Trustee shall comply with Trust Indenture Act § 313(d).

SECTION 7.07. Compensation and Indemnity. The Issuer shall pay to the Trustee from time to time such compensation as the Issuer and the Trustee shall from time to time agree in writing for its services hereunder. The Trustee's compensation shall not be limited by any law on compensation of a trustee of an express trust. The Issuer shall reimburse the Trustee upon request for all reasonable disbursements, expenses and advances (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) incurred or made by it in addition to the compensation for its services, except any such disbursements, expenses and advances as may be attributable to the Trustee's negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct. Such expenses shall include the reasonable fees and expenses of the Trustee's agents and counsel.

The Issuer shall indemnify each of the Trustee or any predecessor Trustee and its agents for, and hold them harmless against, any and all loss, damage, claims including taxes (other than taxes based upon, measured by or determined by the income of the Trustee), liability or expense incurred by them (including, without limitation, attorney's fees and expenses and the costs of defending itself or enforcement of this Indenture or any provision thereof) arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this trust or exercise of its rights, powers or duties, except for such actions to the extent caused by any negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct on their part (as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction in a final and non-appealable order), arising out of or in connection with this Indenture including the reasonable costs and expenses of defending themselves against or investigating any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of the Trustee's rights, powers or duties hereunder. The Trustee shall notify the Issuer promptly of any third party claim asserted against the Trustee or any of its agents for which it may seek indemnity, *provided* that failure to provide such notice shall not relieve the Issuer of its obligations in this Section 7.07 unless the failure to notify the Issuer impairs the Issuer's ability to defend such third party claim. The Issuer may, at the request of the Trustee, defend the third party claim and the Trustee shall cooperate in the defense; *provided* that the Trustee and its agents subject to the third party claim may have separate counsel and the Issuer shall pay the reasonable fees and expenses of such counsel; *provided, however*, that the Issuer shall not be required to pay such fees and expenses if the Issuer assumes the Trustee's defense and there is no conflict of interest between the Issuer and the Trustee and its agents subject to the third party claim in connection with such defense as reasonably determined by the Trustee. The Issuer need not pay for any settlement made without their written consent. The Issuer need not reimburse any expense or indemnify against any loss or liability to the extent incurred by the Trustee through its negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction in a final and non-appealable order.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, to secure the Issuer's payment obligations in this Section 7.07, the Trustee shall have a Lien prior to the Notes against all money or property held or collected by the Trustee, in its capacity as Trustee, except money or property held in trust to pay principal and interest on particular Notes.

When the Trustee incurs expenses or renders services after a Default specified in Section 6.01(8) or 6.01(9) occurs, such expenses and the compensation for such services shall be considered administrative expenses for purposes of priority and paid to the extent allowed under any Bankruptcy Law.

Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, the foregoing provisions of this Section 7.07 shall survive the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture or the appointment of a successor Trustee and the resignation or removal of the Trustee.

SECTION 7.08. Replacement of Trustee . A resignation or removal of the Trustee and appointment of a successor Trustee shall become effective only upon the successor Trustee's acceptance of appointment as provided in this Section 7.08. The Trustee may resign with 30 days prior written notice by so notifying the Issuer in writing. The Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Notes may remove the Trustee by so notifying the Issuer and the Trustee and may appoint a successor Trustee by giving at least 30 days prior notice to the Trustee. The Issuer may remove the Trustee if:

- (1) the Trustee fails to comply with Section 7.10;
- (2) the Trustee is adjudged a bankrupt or an insolvent;
- (3) a receiver or other public officer takes charge of the Trustee or its property; or
- (4) the Trustee becomes incapable of acting.

If the Trustee resigns or is removed or if a vacancy exists in the office of Trustee for any reason, the Issuer shall notify each Holder of such event and shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee. Within one year after the successor Trustee takes office, the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes may appoint a successor Trustee to replace the successor Trustee appointed by the Issuer.

A successor Trustee shall deliver a written acceptance of its appointment to the retiring Trustee and to the Issuer. Immediately after that, the retiring Trustee shall transfer, after payment of all sums then owing to the Trustee pursuant to Section 7.07, all property held by it as Trustee to the successor Trustee, subject to the Lien provided in Section 7.07, the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective, and the successor Trustee shall have all the rights, powers and duties of the Trustee under this Indenture. A successor Trustee shall mail notice of its succession to each Holder.

If a successor Trustee does not take office within 60 days after the retiring Trustee resigns or is removed, the retiring Trustee, the Issuer or the Holders of at least 10% in principal amount of the outstanding Notes may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee at the expense of the Issuer.

If the Trustee fails to comply with Section 7.10, any Holder may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

Notwithstanding replacement of the Trustee pursuant to this Section 7.08, the Issuer's obligations under Section 7.07 shall continue for the benefit of the retiring Trustee.

**SECTION 7.09. Successor Trustee by Merger, Etc.** Any business entity into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any entity resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Trustee shall be a party, or any entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee hereunder, without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto.

**SECTION 7.10. Eligibility, Disqualification** . This Indenture shall always have a Trustee who satisfies the requirement of Trust Indenture Act §§ 310(a)(1), 310(a)(2) and 310(a)(5). The Trustee shall have a combined capital and surplus of at least \$150,000,000 as set forth in its most recent published annual report of condition. The Trustee shall comply with Trust Indenture Act § 310(b); *provided, however*, that there shall be excluded from the operation of Trust Indenture Act § 310(b)(1) any indenture or indentures under which other securities, or certificates of interest or participation in other securities, of the Issuer are outstanding, if the requirements for such exclusion set forth in Trust Indenture Act § 310(b)(1) are met. The provisions of Trust Indenture Act § 310 shall apply to the Issuer and any other obligor of the Notes.

**SECTION 7.11. Preferential Collection of Claims Against the Issuer**. The Trustee, in its capacity as Trustee hereunder, shall comply with Trust Indenture Act § 311(a), excluding any creditor relationship listed in Trust Indenture Act § 311(b). A Trustee who has resigned or been removed shall be subject to Trust Indenture Act § 311(a) to the extent indicated.

## **ARTICLE EIGHT DISCHARGE OF INDENTURE, DEFEASANCE**

**SECTION 8.01. Option to Effect Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance**. The Issuer may, at the option of its Board of Directors evidenced by a resolution set forth in an Officers' Certificate, at any time, elect to have either Section 8.02 or 8.03 hereof be applied to all outstanding Notes upon compliance with the conditions set forth below in this Article Eight.

**SECTION 8.02. Legal Defeasance and Discharge**. Upon the Issuer's exercise under Section 8.01 hereof of the option applicable to this Section 8.02, the Issuer and each of the Guarantors shall, subject to the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 8.04 hereof, be deemed to have been discharged from their obligations with respect to all outstanding Notes (including the Subsidiary Guarantees) on the date the conditions set forth below are satisfied (hereinafter, "Legal Defeasance"). For this purpose, Legal Defeasance means that the Issuer and the Guarantors will be deemed to have paid and discharged the entire Indebtedness represented by the outstanding Notes (including the Subsidiary Guarantees), which will thereafter be deemed to be "outstanding" only for the purposes of Section 8.05 hereof and the other Sections of this Indenture referred to in clauses (1) and (2) below, and to have satisfied all their other obligations under such Notes, the Subsidiary Guarantees and this Indenture (and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging the same), except for the following provisions which will survive until otherwise terminated or discharged hereunder:

- (1) the rights of Holders of outstanding Notes to receive payments in respect of the principal of, or interest or premium, if any, on such Notes when such payments are due from the trust referred to in Section 8.04 hereof;
- (2) the Issuer's obligations to issue temporary Notes, to replace mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Notes under Article Two and Section 4.02 hereof;
- (3) the rights, powers, trusts, duties, indemnities and immunities of the Trustee hereunder and the Issuer's and the Guarantors' obligations in connection therewith; and
- (4) the provisions of this Article Eight applicable to Legal Defeasance.

Subject to compliance with this Article Eight, the Issuer may exercise its option under this Section 8.02 notwithstanding the prior exercise of its option under Section 8.03 hereof.

SECTION 8.03. Covenant Defeasance. Upon the Issuer's exercise under Section 8.01 hereof of the option applicable to this Section 8.03, the Issuer and the Guarantors shall, subject to the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 8.04 hereof, be released from each of their obligations under the covenants contained in Sections 4.06 through 4.10 hereof with respect to the outstanding Notes on and after the date the conditions set forth in Section 8.04 hereof are satisfied (hereinafter, "Covenant Defeasance"), and the Notes shall thereafter be deemed not "outstanding" for the purposes of any direction, waiver, consent or declaration or act of Holders (and the consequences of any thereof) in connection with such covenants, but will continue to be deemed "outstanding" for all other purposes hereunder (it being understood that such Notes will not be deemed outstanding for accounting purposes). For this purpose, Covenant Defeasance means that, with respect to the outstanding Notes and Subsidiary Guarantees, the Issuer and the Guarantors may omit to comply with and will have no liability in respect of any term, condition or limitation set forth in any such covenant, whether directly or indirectly, by reason of any reference elsewhere herein to any such covenant or by reason of any reference in any such covenant to any other provision herein or in any other document and such omission to comply will not constitute a Default or an Event of Default under Section 6.01 hereof, but, except as specified above, the remainder of this Indenture and such Notes and Subsidiary Guarantees will be unaffected thereby. In addition, upon the Issuer's exercise under Section 8.01 hereof of the option applicable to this Section 8.03 hereof, subject to the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 8.04 hereof, Sections 6.01(3) through 6.01(6) and Section 6.01(9) hereof will not constitute Events of Default.

SECTION 8.04. Application of Trust Money. In order to exercise either Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance under either Section 8.02 or 8.03 hereof:

- (1) the Issuer must irrevocably deposit with the Trustee, in trust, for the benefit of the Holders, cash in United States dollars, non-callable Government Securities, or a combination thereof, in such amounts as will be sufficient, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants, to pay the principal of, interest and premium, if any, on the outstanding Notes on the stated date for payment thereof or on the applicable redemption date, as the case may be, and the Issuer must specify whether the Notes are being defeased to maturity or to a particular redemption date;
- (2) in the case of an election under Section 8.02 hereof, the Issuer has delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel in the United States reasonably acceptable to the Trustee confirming that:
  - (A) the Issuer has received from, or there has been published by, the Internal Revenue Service a ruling; or

(B) since the Issue Date, there has been a change in the applicable federal income tax law,

in either case to the effect that, and based thereon such Opinion of Counsel shall confirm that, the Holders of the outstanding Notes will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of such Legal Defeasance and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such Legal Defeasance had not occurred;

(3) in the case of an election under Section 8.03 hereof, the Issuer must deliver to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel in the United States reasonably acceptable to the Trustee confirming that the Holders of the outstanding Notes will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of such Covenant Defeasance and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such Covenant Defeasance had not occurred;

(4) no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing on the date of such deposit (other than a Default or Event of Default resulting from the borrowing of funds to be applied to such deposit);

(5) such Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance will not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under, any material agreement or instrument (other than this Indenture and the agreements governing any other indebtedness being defeased, discharged or replaced) to which the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries is a party or by which the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries is bound;

(6) the Issuer must deliver to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate stating that the deposit was not made by the Issuer with the intent of preferring the Holders of Notes over the other creditors of the Issuer or with the intent of defeating, hindering, delaying or defrauding any other creditors of the Issuer or others; and

(7) the Issuer must deliver to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent or relating to the Legal Defeasance or the Covenant Defeasance have been complied with.

**SECTION 8.05. Deposited Money and Government Securities To Be Held in Trust; Other Miscellaneous Provisions.** Subject to Section 8.06 hereof, all money and non-callable Government Securities (including the proceeds thereof) deposited with the Trustee (or other qualifying trustee, collectively for purposes of this Section 8.05, the "Trustee") pursuant to Section 8.04 hereof in respect of the outstanding Notes will be held in trust and applied by the Trustee, in accordance with the provisions of such Notes and this Indenture, to the payment, either directly or through any Paying Agent (including the Issuer acting as Paying Agent) as the Trustee may determine, to the Holders of such Notes of all sums due and to become due thereon in respect of principal, premium, if any, and interest, but such money need not be segregated from other funds except to the extent required by law.

The Issuer will pay and indemnify the Trustee against any tax, fee or other charge imposed on or assessed against the cash or non-callable Government Securities deposited pursuant to Section 8.04 hereof or the principal and interest received in respect thereof other than any such tax, fee or other charge which by law is for the account of the Holders of the outstanding Notes.

Notwithstanding anything in this Article Eight to the contrary, the Trustee will deliver or pay to the Issuer from time to time upon the request of the Issuer any money or non-callable Government Securities held by it as provided in Section 8.04 hereof which, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants expressed in a written certification thereof delivered to the Trustee (which may be the opinion delivered under Section 8.04(1) hereof), are in excess of the amount thereof that would then be required to be deposited to effect an equivalent Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance.

SECTION 8.06. Repayment to the Issuer. Any money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent, or then held by the Issuer, in trust for the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest on any Note and remaining unclaimed for two years after such principal, premium, if any, or interest has become due and payable shall be paid to the Issuer on its request or (if then held by the Issuer) will be discharged from such trust; and the Holder of such Note will thereafter be permitted to look only to the Issuer for payment thereof, and all liability of the Trustee or such Paying Agent with respect to such trust money, and all liability of the Issuer as trustee thereof, will thereupon cease; *provided, however*, that the Trustee or such Paying Agent, before being required to make any such repayment, may at the expense of the Issuer cause to be published once, in The New York Times and The Wall Street Journal (national edition), notice that such money remains unclaimed and that, after a date specified therein, which will not be less than 30 days from the date of such notification or publication, any unclaimed balance of such money then remaining will be repaid to the Issuer.

SECTION 8.07. Reinstatement. If the Trustee or Paying Agent is unable to apply any United States dollars or non-callable Government Securities in accordance with Section 8.02 or 8.03 hereof, as the case may be, by reason of any order or judgment of any court or governmental authority enjoining, restraining or otherwise prohibiting such application, then the Issuer's and the Guarantor's obligations under this Indenture and the Notes and the Subsidiary Guarantees will be revived and reinstated as though no deposit had occurred pursuant to Section 8.02 or 8.03 hereof until such time as the Trustee or Paying Agent is permitted to apply all such money in accordance with Section 8.02 or 8.03 hereof, as the case may be; *provided, however*, that, if the Issuer makes any payment of principal of, premium, if any, or interest on any Note following the reinstatement of its obligations, the Issuer will be subrogated to the rights of the Holders of such Notes to receive such payment from the money held by the Trustee or Paying Agent.

## ARTICLE NINE AMENDMENTS, SUPPLEMENTS AND WAIVERS

SECTION 9.01. Without Consent of Holders. Notwithstanding Section 9.02 of this Indenture, the Issuer, the Guarantors and the Trustee may amend or supplement this Indenture, the Subsidiary Guarantees or the Notes without the consent of any Holder of a Note

- (1) to cure any ambiguity, defect or inconsistency;
- (2) to provide for uncertificated Notes in addition to or in place of certificated Notes;
- (3) to provide for the assumption of the Issuer's obligations to the Holders of the Notes by a successor to the Issuer pursuant to Article Five;
- (4) to make any change that would provide any additional rights or benefits to the Holders of the Notes or that does not adversely affect the legal rights hereunder of any Holder of the Note;
- (5) to comply with requirements of the SEC in order to effect or maintain the qualification of this Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act;
- (6) to conform the text of this Indenture, the Subsidiary Guarantees or the Notes to any provision contained in the "Description of Notes" contained in the Prospectus Supplement;
- (7) to provide for the issuance of Additional Notes in accordance with the limitations set forth in this Indenture; or
- (8) to allow a Subsidiary to execute a supplemental indenture for the purpose of providing a Subsidiary Guarantee in accordance with the provisions of this Indenture.

SECTION 9.02. With Consent of Holders. Except as provided below in this Section 9.02, the Issuer and the Trustee may amend or supplement this Indenture (including, without limitation, Section 4.07 hereof), the Subsidiary Guarantees and the Notes with the consent of the Holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the Notes (including, without limitation, Additional Notes, if any) then outstanding voting as a single class (including, without limitation, consents obtained in connection with a tender offer or exchange offer for, or purchase of the Notes), and, subject to Sections 6.04 and 6.07 hereof, any existing Default or Event of Default (other than a Default or Event of Default in the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest on the Notes, except a payment default resulting from an acceleration that has been rescinded) or compliance with any provision of this Indenture, the Subsidiary Guarantees or the Notes may be waived with the consent of the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes voting as a single class (including consents obtained in connection with a tender offer or exchange offer for, or purchase of, the Notes). Section 2.08 hereof shall determine which Notes are considered to be “outstanding” for purposes of this Section 9.02.

It is not necessary for the consent of the Holders of Notes under this Section 9.02 to approve the particular form of any proposed amendment or waiver, but it is sufficient if such consent approves the substance thereof.

After an amendment, supplement or waiver under this Section 9.02 becomes effective, the Issuer shall mail to the Holders of Notes affected thereby a notice briefly describing the amendment, supplement or waiver. Any failure of the Issuer to mail such notice, or any defect therein, shall not, however, in any way impair or affect the validity of any such amended or supplemental Indenture or waiver. Subject to Sections 6.04 and 6.07 hereof, the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding voting as a single class may waive compliance in a particular instance by the Issuer with any provision of this Indenture or the Notes.

However, without the consent of each Holder affected, an amendment, supplement or waiver under this Section 9.02 may not (with respect to any Notes held by a non-consenting Holder):

- (1) reduce the principal amount of Notes whose Holders must consent to an amendment, supplement or waiver;
- (2) reduce the principal of or change the fixed maturity of any Note or alter any of the provisions with respect to the redemption of the Notes except as provided above with respect to Section 4.07 hereof;
- (3) reduce the rate of or change the time for payment of interest on any Note;
- (4) waive a Default or Event of Default in the payment of principal of, or interest or premium, if any, on the Notes (except a rescission of acceleration of the Notes by the Holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes and a waiver of the payment default that resulted from such acceleration);
- (5) make any Note payable in currency other than that stated in the Notes;
- (6) make any change in the provisions of this Indenture relating to waivers of past Defaults or the rights of Holders of Notes to receive payments of principal of, or interest or premium, if any, on the Notes;
- (7) waive a redemption payment with respect to any Notes (other than a payment required by Section 4.07 hereof);
- (8) release any Guarantor from any of its obligations under its Subsidiary Guarantee or this Indenture, except in accordance with the terms of this Indenture;
- (9) modify or change any provision of this Indenture or the related definitions to affect the ranking of the Notes or any Subsidiary Guarantee in a manner that adversely affects the Holders; *provided, however*, that any modification of the provisions of this Indenture relating to the ability of the Issuer or any Subsidiary to create, incur, assume or otherwise suffer to exist or become effective any Lien securing Indebtedness shall not constitute a modification or change that affects the ranking of the Notes or any Subsidiary Guarantee; or
- (10) make any change in the foregoing amendment and waiver provisions.

SECTION 9.03. Compliance with the Trust Indenture Act. From the date on which this Indenture is qualified under the Trust Indenture Act, every amendment, waiver or supplement of this Indenture, the Notes or the Guarantees shall comply with the Trust Indenture Act as then in effect.

SECTION 9.04. Revocation and Effect of Consents. Until an amendment, waiver or supplement becomes effective, a consent to it by a Holder is a continuing consent by the Holder and every subsequent Holder of a Note or portion of a Note that evidences the same debt as the consenting Holder's Note, even if notation of the consent is not made on any Note. However, any such Holder or subsequent Holder may revoke the consent as to his Note or portion of his Note by notice to the Trustee or the Issuer received before the date on which the Trustee receives an Officer's Certificate certifying that the Holders of the requisite principal amount of Notes have consented (and not theretofore revoked such consent) to the amendment, supplement or waiver.

The Issuer may, but shall not be obligated to, fix a record date for the purpose of determining the Holders entitled to consent to any amendment, supplement or waiver, which record date shall be at least 30 days prior to the first solicitation of such consent. If a record date is fixed, then notwithstanding the last sentence of the immediately preceding paragraph, those Persons who were Holders at such record date (or their duly designated proxies), and only those Persons, shall be entitled to revoke any consent previously given, whether or not such Persons continue to be Holders after such record date. No such consent shall be valid or effective for more than 90 days after such record date. The Issuer shall inform the Trustee in writing of the fixed record date if applicable.

After an amendment, supplement or waiver becomes effective, it shall bind every Holder, unless it makes a change described in any of clauses (1) through (10) of Section 9.02(b), in which case, the amendment, supplement or waiver shall bind only each Holder of a Note who has consented to it and every subsequent Holder of a Note or portion of a Note that evidences the same debt as the consenting Holder's Note; *provided, however*, that any such waiver shall not impair or affect the right of any Holder to receive payment of principal of, and interest on, a Note, on or after the respective due dates therefor, or to bring suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after such respective dates without the consent of such Holder.

SECTION 9.05. Notation on or Exchange of Notes. If an amendment, supplement or waiver changes the terms of a Note, the Issuer may require the Holder of the Note to deliver it to the Trustee. The Issuer shall provide the Trustee with an appropriate notation on the Note about the changed terms and cause the Trustee to return it to the Holder at the Issuer's expense. Alternatively, if the Issuer or the Trustee so determines, the Issuer in exchange for the Note shall issue, and the Trustee shall authenticate, a new Note that reflects the changed terms. Failure to make the appropriate notation or issue a new Note shall not affect the validity and effect of such amendment, supplement or waiver.

SECTION 9.06. Trustee To Sign Amendments, Etc. The Trustee shall execute any amendment, supplement or waiver authorized pursuant to this Article Nine; *provided, however*, that the Trustee may, but shall not be obligated to, execute any such amendment, supplement or waiver which affects the Trustee's own rights, duties, indemnities or immunities under this Indenture. The Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel and an Officer's Certificate each stating that the execution of any amendment, supplement or waiver authorized pursuant to this Article Nine is authorized or permitted by this Indenture, and all conditions precedent thereto have been complied with. Such Opinion of Counsel shall be at the expense of the Issuer.

## **ARTICLE TEN SUBSIDIARY GUARANTEES**

### SECTION 10.01. Guarantee

(a) Subject to this Article Ten, each of the Guarantors hereby, jointly and severally, unconditionally guarantees to each Holder of a Note authenticated and delivered by the Trustee and to the Trustee and its successors and assigns, irrespective of the validity and enforceability of this Indenture, the Notes or the obligations of the Issuer hereunder or thereunder, that:

(1) the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Notes will be promptly paid in full when due, whether at maturity, by acceleration, redemption or otherwise, and interest on the overdue principal of and interest on the Notes, if any, if lawful, and all other obligations of the Issuer to the Holders or the Trustee hereunder or thereunder will be promptly paid in full or performed, all in accordance with the terms hereof and thereof; and

(2) in case of any extension of time of payment or renewal of any Notes or any of such other obligations, that same will be promptly paid in full when due or performed in accordance with the terms of the extension or renewal, whether at stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise.

Failing payment when due of any amount so guaranteed or any performance so guaranteed for whatever reason, the Guarantors will be jointly and severally obligated to pay the same immediately. Each Guarantor agrees that this is a guarantee of payment and not a guarantee of collection.

(b) The Guarantors hereby agree that their obligations hereunder are unconditional, irrespective of the validity, regularity or enforceability of the Notes or this Indenture, the absence of any action to enforce the same, any waiver or consent by any Holder of the Notes with respect to any provisions hereof or thereof, the recovery of any judgment against the Issuer, any action to enforce the same or any other circumstance which might otherwise constitute a legal or equitable discharge or defense of a guarantor. Each Guarantor hereby waives diligence, presentment, demand of payment, filing of claims with a court in the event of insolvency or bankruptcy of the Issuer, any right to require a proceeding first against the Issuer, protest, notice and all demands whatsoever and covenant that this Subsidiary Guarantee will not be discharged except by complete performance of the obligations contained in the Notes and this Indenture.

(c) If any Holder or the Trustee is required by any court or otherwise to return to the Issuer, the Guarantors or any custodian, trustee, liquidator or other similar official acting in relation to either the Issuer or the Guarantors, any amount paid by either to the Trustee or such Holder, this Subsidiary Guarantee, to the extent theretofore discharged, will be reinstated in full force and effect.

(d) Each Guarantor agrees that it will not be entitled to any right of subrogation in relation to the Holders in respect of any obligations guaranteed hereby until payment in full of all obligations guaranteed hereby. Each Guarantor further agrees that, as between the Guarantors, on the one hand, and the Holders and the Trustee, on the other hand, (1) the maturity of the obligations guaranteed hereby may be accelerated as provided in Article Six hereof for the purposes of this Subsidiary Guarantee, notwithstanding any stay, injunction or other prohibition preventing such acceleration in respect of the obligations guaranteed hereby, and (2) in the event of any declaration of acceleration of such obligations as provided in Article Six hereof, such obligations (whether or not due and payable) will forthwith become due and payable by the Guarantors for the purpose of this Subsidiary Guarantee. The Guarantors will have the right to seek contribution from any non-paying Guarantor so long as the exercise of such right does not impair the rights of the Holders under the Subsidiary Guarantee.

SECTION 10.02. Limitation on Guarantor Liability. Each Guarantor, and by its acceptance of Notes, each Holder, hereby confirms that it is the intention of all such parties that the Subsidiary Guarantee of such Guarantor not constitute (i) a fraudulent transfer or conveyance for purposes of Bankruptcy Law, the Uniform Fraudulent Conveyance Act, the Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act or any similar federal or state law to the extent applicable to any Subsidiary Guarantee or (ii) an unlawful distribution under any applicable state law prohibiting shareholder distributions by an insolvent subsidiary to the extent applicable to its Subsidiary Guarantee. To effectuate the foregoing intention, the Trustee, the Holders and the Guarantors hereby irrevocably agree that the obligations of such Guarantor under its Subsidiary Guarantee and this Article 10 shall be limited to the maximum amount as will, after giving effect to such maximum amount and all other contingent and fixed liabilities of such Guarantor that are relevant under such laws, and after giving effect to any collections from, rights to receive contribution from or payments made by or on behalf of any other Guarantor in respect of the obligations of such other Guarantor under this Article 10, result in the obligations of such Guarantor under its Subsidiary Guarantee not constituting a fraudulent transfer or conveyance or such an unlawful shareholder distribution.

SECTION 10.03. Execution and Delivery of Subsidiary Guarantee. To evidence its Subsidiary Guarantee set forth in Section 10.01, each Guarantor hereby agrees that a notation of such Subsidiary Guarantee substantially in the form attached as Exhibit B hereto will be endorsed by an Officer of such Guarantor on each Note authenticated and delivered by the Trustee and that this Indenture will be executed on behalf of such Guarantor by one of its Officers.

Each Guarantor hereby agrees that its Subsidiary Guarantee set forth in Section 10.01 will remain in full force and effect notwithstanding any failure to endorse on each Note a notation of such Subsidiary Guarantee.

If an Officer whose signature is on this Indenture or on the Subsidiary Guarantee no longer holds that office at the time the Trustee authenticates the Note on which a Subsidiary Guarantee is endorsed, the Subsidiary Guarantee will be valid nevertheless.

The delivery of any Note by the Trustee, after the authentication thereof hereunder, will constitute due delivery of the Subsidiary Guarantee set forth in this Indenture on behalf of the Guarantors.

In the event that the Issuer creates or acquires any Subsidiary after the date of this Indenture, if required by Section 4.10 hereof, the Issuer will cause such Subsidiary to comply with the provisions of Section 4.10 hereof and this Article 10, to the extent applicable.

**SECTION 10.04. Release of a Guarantor.** Any Guarantor will be released from and relieved of any obligations under its Subsidiary Guarantee, this Indenture and the Notes, (i) in the event of any sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of that Guarantor (including by way of merger, consolidation or otherwise) to a Person that is not (either before or after giving effect to such transaction) a Subsidiary of the Issuer, (ii) a sale or other disposition of all of the Capital Stock of that Guarantor, in each case, to a Person that is not (either before or after giving effect to such transactions) a Subsidiary of the Issuer, (iii) upon Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance of the Notes pursuant to Article Eight hereof or (iv) if that Guarantor is released from its guarantee under all Credit Facilities of the Issuer and the Guarantors (including as a result of such Credit Facilities ceasing to be outstanding). Upon delivery by the Issuer to the Trustee of an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the provisions of this Indenture with respect to the release of such Guarantor have been satisfied, the Trustee will execute any documents reasonably required in order to evidence the release of any Guarantor from its obligations under its Subsidiary Guarantee.

Any Guarantor not released from its obligations under its Subsidiary Guarantee will remain liable for the full amount of principal of and interest on the Notes and for the other obligations of any Guarantor under this Indenture as provided in this Article Ten.

Nothing contained in this Indenture or in any of the Notes shall prevent any consolidation or merger of a Guarantor with or into an Issuer (in which case such Guarantor shall no longer be a Guarantor) or another Guarantor or shall prevent any sale or conveyance of the property of a Guarantor as an entirety or substantially as an entirety to an Issuer or another Guarantor.

## **ARTICLE ELEVEN SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE**

**SECTION 11.01. Satisfaction and Discharge.** This Indenture will be discharged and will cease to be of further effect as to all Notes issued hereunder (except as to surviving rights or registration of transfer or exchange of the Notes and the rights, powers, trusts, duties, immunities and indemnities of the trustee and the obligations of the Issuer and the Guarantors in connection therewith, as expressly provided for in the Indenture), when:

(1) either:

(a) all Notes that have been authenticated (except lost, stolen or destroyed Notes that have been replaced or paid and Notes for whose payment money has been deposited in trust and thereafter repaid to the Issuer) have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or

(b) all Notes that have not been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation have become due and payable by reason of the mailing of a notice of redemption or otherwise or will become due and payable within one year, and the Issuer or any Guarantor has irrevocably deposited or caused to be deposited with the Trustee as trust funds in trust solely for the benefit of the Holders, cash in U.S. dollars, non-callable Government Securities, or a combination of cash in U.S. dollars and non-callable Government Securities, in such amounts as will be sufficient without consideration of any reinvestment of interest to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on the Notes not delivered to the Trustee for cancellation for principal, premium, if any, and accrued interest to the date of maturity or redemption;

(2) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing on the date of such deposit or will occur as a result of such deposit (other than a Default or Event of Default resulting from the borrowing of funds to be applied to such deposit and any similar deposit relating to other Indebtedness and, in each case, the granting of Liens to secure such borrowings) and such deposit will not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under, any other instrument to which the Issuer or any Guarantor is a party or by which the Issuer or any Guarantor is bound (other than with respect to the borrowing of funds to be applied concurrently to make the deposit required to effect such satisfaction and discharge and any similar concurrent deposit relating to other Indebtedness, and in each case, the granting of Liens to secure such borrowings);

(3) the Issuer or any Guarantor has paid or caused to be paid all sums payable by it under this Indenture; and

(4) the Issuer has delivered irrevocable instructions to the Trustee under this Indenture to apply the deposited money toward the payment of the Notes at maturity or the redemption date, as the case may be.

In addition, the Issuer must deliver an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel to the Trustee stating that all covenants and conditions precedent to satisfaction and discharge have been satisfied.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, if money has been deposited with the Trustee pursuant to subclause (b) of clause (1) of this Section, the provisions of Section 11.02 and Section 8.06 will survive. In addition, nothing in this Section 11.01 will be deemed to discharge those provisions of Section 7.07 hereof, that, by their terms, survive the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture.

SECTION 11.02. Application of Trust Money. Subject to the provisions of Section 8.06, all money deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 11.01 shall be held in trust and applied by it, in accordance with the provisions of the Notes and this Indenture, to the payment, either directly or through any Paying Agent (including the Issuer acting as its own Paying Agent) as the Trustee may determine, to the Persons entitled thereto, of the principal, premium, if any, and interest for whose payment such money has been deposited with the Trustee; but such money need not be segregated from other funds except to the extent required by law. If the Trustee or Paying Agent is unable to apply any money or Government Securities in accordance with Section 11.01 by reason of any legal proceeding or by reason of any order or judgment of any court or governmental authority enjoining, restraining or otherwise prohibiting such application, the Issuer's and any Guarantor's obligations under this Indenture and the Notes shall be revived and reinstated as though no deposit had occurred pursuant to Section 11.01; *provided* that if the Issuer has made any payment of principal of, premium, if any, or interest on any Notes because of the reinstatement of its obligations, the Issuer shall be subrogated to the rights of the Holders of such Notes to receive such payment from the money or Government Securities held by the Trustee or Paying Agent. The Issuer shall pay and indemnify the Trustee against any tax, fee or other charge imposed or assessed against the Trustee with respect to the money deposited with the Trustee pursuant to Section 11.01 hereof.

## **ARTICLE TWELVE MISCELLANEOUS**

SECTION 12.01. Trust Indenture Act Controls. If any provision of this Indenture limits, qualifies, or conflicts with another provision which is required or deemed to be included in this Indenture by the Trust Indenture Act, such required or deemed provision shall control.

SECTION 12.02. Notices. Any notices or other communications required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing, and shall be sufficiently given if made by hand delivery, by telex, by nationally recognized overnight courier service, by telecopy or email or registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, addressed as follows:

if to the Issuer:

CoreCivic, Inc.  
5501 Virginia Way  
Suite 110  
Brentwood, Tennessee 37027  
Telecopier No.: (615) 263-3010  
Attention: David Garfinkle

with a copy to:

Bass, Berry & Sims PLC  
150 Third Avenue South, Suite 2800  
Nashville, Tennessee 37201  
Telecopier No.: (615) 742-7275  
Attention: F. Mitchell Walker, Jr.

if to the Trustee:

Regions Bank1180  
West Peachtree Street, Suite 1200  
Atlanta, GA 30309  
Attention: Corporate Trust Services  
Email: Kristine.prall@Regions.com

The Issuer and the Trustee by written notice to each other such Person may designate additional or different addresses for notices to such Person. Any notice or communication to the Issuer and the Trustee shall be deemed to have been given or made as of the date so delivered if personally delivered; when replied to; when receipt is acknowledged, if telecopied; five (5) Business Days after mailing if sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid (except that a notice of change of address shall not be deemed to have been given until actually received by the addressee); and next Business Day if by nationally recognized overnight courier service.

Any notice or communication mailed to a Holder shall be mailed to such Holder by first class mail or other equivalent means at such Holder's address as it appears on the registration books of the Registrar and shall be sufficiently given to him if so mailed within the time prescribed.

Failure to mail a notice or communication to a Holder or any defect in it shall not affect its sufficiency with respect to other Holders. If a notice or communication is mailed in the manner provided above, it is duly given, whether or not the addressee receives it.

SECTION 12.03. Communications by Holders with Other Holders. Holders may communicate pursuant to Trust Indenture Act § 312(b) with other Holders with respect to their rights under this Indenture, the Notes or the Subsidiary Guarantees. The Issuer, the Trustee, the Registrar and any other Person shall have the protection of Trust Indenture Act § 312(c).

SECTION 12.04. Certificate and Opinion as to Conditions Precedent. Upon any request or application by the Issuer to the Trustee to take any action under this Indenture, the Issuer shall furnish to the Trustee at the request of the Trustee:

(1) an Officer's Certificate, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee, stating that, in the opinion of the signers, all covenants and conditions precedent to be performed or effected by the Issuer, if any, provided for in this Indenture relating to the proposed action have been complied with; and

(2) an Opinion of Counsel stating that, in the opinion of such counsel, all such covenants and conditions precedent have been complied with.

SECTION 12.05. Statements Required in Certificate or Opinion. Each certificate or opinion with respect to compliance with a condition or covenant provided for in this Indenture, other than the Officer's Certificate required by Section 4.04, shall include:

- (1) a statement that the person making such certificate or opinion is familiar with this Indenture and has read such all covenants or conditions precedent provided for in this Indenture relating to the proposed action;
- (2) a brief statement as to the nature and scope of the examination or investigation upon which the statements or opinions contained in such certificate or opinion are based;
- (3) a statement that, in the opinion of such Person, he or she has made such examination or investigation as is necessary to enable him or her to express an informed opinion as to whether or not such covenants or conditions precedent have been complied with or satisfied; and
- (4) a statement as to whether or not, in the opinion of such Person, such condition or covenants precedent provided for in this Indenture relating to the proposed action have been complied with; *provided, however*, that with respect to matters of fact, an Opinion of Counsel may rely on an Officer's Certificate or certificates of public officials.

SECTION 12.06. Rules by Paying Agent or Registrar. The Paying Agent or Registrar may make reasonable rules and set reasonable requirements for their functions.

SECTION 12.07. No Personal Liability of Directors, Officers, Employees and Stockholders. No past, present or future director, officer, employee, incorporator or stockholder of the Issuer or any Guarantor, as such, will have any liability for any obligations of the Issuer or the Guarantors under the Notes, this Indenture, the Subsidiary Guarantees, or for any claim based on, in respect of, or by reason of, such obligations or their creation. Each Holder of Notes by accepting a Note waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release are part of the consideration for issuance of the Notes. The waiver may not be effective to waive liabilities under the federal securities laws.

SECTION 12.08. Legal Holidays. In any case where any date on which a payment under this Indenture or the Notes is required to be made shall not be a Business Day, then (notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture or of the Notes) payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest need not be made on such date, but may be made on the next succeeding Business Day with the same force and effect as if made on the first such date, and no interest shall accrue on such payment for the intervening period.

SECTION 12.09. Governing Law; Waiver of Jury Trial; Consent to Jurisdiction. This Indenture, the Notes and the Subsidiary Guarantees will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York. Each of the parties hereto hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, any and all right to trial by jury in any legal proceeding arising out of or relating to this Indenture, the Notes, the Subsidiary Guarantees or the transaction contemplated hereby.

Any legal suit, action or proceeding arising out of or based upon this Indenture or the transactions contemplated hereby may be instituted in the federal courts of the United States of America located in the City of New York or the courts of the State of New York in each case located in the City of New York (collectively, the "Specified Courts"), and each party irrevocably submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of such courts in any such suit, action or proceeding. Service of any process, summons, notice or document by mail (to the extent allowed under any applicable statute or rule of court) to such party's address set forth above shall be effective service of process for any suit, action or other proceeding brought in any such court. The Issuer, the Trustee, any Guarantors and the Holders (by their acceptance of the Securities) each hereby irrevocably and unconditionally waive any objection to the laying of venue of any suit, action or other proceeding in the Specified Courts and irrevocably and unconditionally waive and agree not to plead or claim any such suit, action or other proceeding has been brought in an inconvenient forum.

SECTION 12.10. No Adverse Interpretation of Other Agreements. This Indenture may not be used to interpret another indenture, loan or debt agreement of any of the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries. Any such indenture, loan or debt agreement may not be used to interpret this Indenture.

SECTION 12.11. [Reserved]

SECTION 12.12. Successors. All agreements of the Issuer and the Subsidiary Guarantors in this Indenture, the Notes and the Subsidiary Guarantees shall bind their respective successors. All agreements of the Trustee in this Indenture shall bind its successor.

SECTION 12.13. Duplicate Originals. This Indenture may be executed in any number of counterparts and by the parties hereto in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement. The exchange of copies of this Indenture and of signature pages by facsimile, PDF or other electronic transmission shall constitute effective execution and delivery of this Indenture as to the parties hereto and may be used in lieu of the original Indenture for all purposes. Signatures of the parties hereto transmitted by facsimile or PDF shall be deemed to be their original signatures for all purposes. The exchange of copies of this Indenture and of signature pages by facsimile, PDF or other electronic transmission shall constitute effective execution and delivery of this Indenture as to the parties hereto and may be used in lieu of the original Indenture for all purposes. Signatures of the parties hereto transmitted by facsimile, PDF or other electronic methods shall be deemed to be their original signatures for all purposes. Unless otherwise provided in this Indenture or in any Note, the words “execute”, “execution”, “signed”, and “signature” and words of similar import used in or related to any document to be signed in connection with this Indenture, any Note or any of the transactions contemplated hereby (including amendments, waivers, consents and other modifications) shall be deemed to include electronic signatures and 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 in ink or the use of a paper-based recordkeeping system, as applicable, to the fullest 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, and any other similar state laws based on the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act; provided that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, the Trustee is under no obligation to agree to accept electronic signatures in any form or format unless expressly agreed to by the Trustee pursuant to procedures approved by the Trustee.

SECTION 12.14. Severability. To the extent permitted by applicable law, in case any one or more of the provisions in this Indenture, in the Notes or in the Subsidiary Guarantees shall be held invalid, illegal or unenforceable, in any respect for any reason, the validity, legality and enforceability of any such provision in every other respect and of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby, it being intended that all of the provisions hereof shall be enforceable to the full extent permitted by law.

SECTION 12.15. U.S.A. Patriot Act. The parties hereto acknowledge that in accordance with Section 326 of the U.S.A. Patriot Act, the Trustee, like all financial institutions and in order to help fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering, is required to obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each person or legal entity that establishes a relationship or opens an account with the Trustee. The parties to this Indenture agree that they will provide the Trustee with such information as it may request in order for the Trustee to satisfy the requirements of the U.S.A. Patriot Act. The terms of this Section 12.15 shall survive the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, payment of the Notes, resignation or removal of the Trustee or the appointment of a successor Trustee.

SECTION 12.16. Force Majeure. In no event shall the Trustee be responsible or liable for any failure or delay in the performance of its obligations hereunder arising out of or caused by, directly or indirectly, forces beyond its control, including, without limitation, strikes, work stoppages, accidents, acts of war or terrorism, civil or military disturbances, nuclear or natural catastrophes or acts of God, epidemics, government actions, interruptions, loss or malfunctions of utilities, communications or computer (software and hardware) services, and the unavailability of the federal Reserve Bank wire or telex or other wire communication facility..

SECTION 12.17. Entire Agreement. This Indenture, the exhibits hereto and the Notes set forth the entire agreement and understanding of the parties related to this transaction and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, oral or written.

*[signature pages follow]*

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

CORECIVIC, INC.

By: /s/ David M. Garfinkle

Name: David M. Garfinkle

Title: Executive Vice President &  
Chief Financial Officer

[Signature Page to Third Supplemental Indenture]

GUARANTORS

ACS CORRECTIONS OF TEXAS, L.L.C.  
AVALON CORPUS CHRISTI TRANSITIONAL  
CENTER, LLC  
AVALON TULSA, L.L.C.  
CARVER TRANSITIONAL CENTER, L.L.C.  
EP HORIZON MANAGEMENT, LLC  
FORT WORTH TRANSITIONAL CENTER, L.L.C.  
SOUTHERN CORRECTIONS SYSTEMS OF  
WYOMING, L.L.C.  
TURLEY RESIDENTIAL CENTER, L.L.C.

By: Avalon Correctional Services, Inc.,  
Its sole member

By: /s/ David M. Garfinkle

Name: David M. Garfinkle

Title: Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

CORECIVIC TRS, LLC  
CCA SOUTH TEXAS, LLC  
CORECIVIC, LLC  
CORRECTIONAL ALTERNATIVES, LLC

By: CoreCivic, Inc.,  
Its sole member

By: /s/ David M. Garfinkle

Name: David M. Garfinkle

Title: Executive Vice President &  
Chief Financial Officer

CORECIVIC OF TENNESSEE, LLC

By: /s/ David M. Garfinkle

Name: David M. Garfinkle

Title: Executive Vice President &  
Chief Financial Officer

TRANSCOR AMERICA, LLC

By: /s/ David M. Garfinkle

Name: David M. Garfinkle

Title: Executive Vice President &  
Chief Financial Officer

AVALON TRANSITIONAL CENTER DALLAS, LLC

CCA HEALTH SERVICES, LLC

CCA INTERNATIONAL, LLC

CORECIVIC GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS, LLC

PRISON REALTY MANAGEMENT, LLC

TECHNICAL AND BUSINESS INSTITUTE OF AMERICA, LLC

By: CoreCivic of Tennessee, LLC,  
Its sole member

By: /s/ David M. Garfinkle

Name: David M. Garfinkle

Title: Executive Vice President &  
Chief Financial Officer

AVALON CORRECTIONAL SERVICES, INC.

By: /s/ David M. Garfinkle

Name: David M. Garfinkle

Title: Executive Vice President &  
Chief Financial Officer

CORRECTIONAL MANAGEMENT, INC.

By: /s/ David M. Garfinkle

Name: David M. Garfinkle

Title: Executive Vice President &  
Chief Financial Officer

CORECIVIC OF TALLAHASSEE, LLC

By: /s/ David M. Garfinkle

Name: David M. Garfinkle

Title: Executive Vice President &  
Chief Financial Officer

RECOVERY MONITORING SOLUTIONS CORPORATION

By: /s/ Cole G. Carter

Name: Cole G. Carter

Title: Executive Vice President, General  
Counsel and Secretary

GREEN LEVEL REALTY, LLC

By: Time to Change, Inc.,  
Its sole member

By: /s/ David M. Garfinkle

Name: David M. Garfinkle

Title: Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

TIME TO CHANGE, INC.

By: /s/ David M. Garfinkle

Name: David M. Garfinkle

Title: Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

ROCKY MOUNTAIN OFFENDER MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS, LLC  
NATIONAL OFFENDER MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS, LLC

By: Recovery Monitoring Solutions Corporation,  
Its sole member and manager

By: /s/ Cole G. Carter

Name: Cole G. Carter

Title: Executive Vice, General Counsel and  
Secretary

REGIONS BANK, as Trustee,

By: /s/ Kristine Prall

Name: Kristine Prall

Title: Vice President

[Insert the Global Note legend, if applicable pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture]

CORECIVIC, INC.

8.25% Senior Notes due 2026

CUSIP No. [ ]

[\$ ]

CORECIVIC, INC., a Maryland corporation (the "Issuer"), for value received promise to pay to Cede & Co., or its registered assigns, the principal sum of [ ] DOLLARS [or such other amount as is provided in a schedule attached hereto]<sup>1</sup> on April 15, 2026.

Interest Payment Dates: April 15 and October 15, commencing October 15, 2021.

Record Dates: April 1 and October 1.

Reference is made to the further provisions of this Note contained herein, which will for all purposes have the same effect as if set forth at this place.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer has caused this Note to be signed manually or by facsimile by its duly authorized officer.

Dated:

CORECIVIC, INC.  
as Issuer,

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>1</sup> This language should be included only if the Note is issued in global form.

This is one of the 8.25% Senior Notes due 2026 described in the within-mentioned Indenture.

Dated:

REGIONS BANK,  
as Trustee,

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signatory

(Reverse of Note)

8.25% Senior Notes due 2026

Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture referred to below unless otherwise indicated.

SECTION 1. Interest. CoreCivic, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Issuer"), promises to pay interest on the principal amount of this Note at 8.25% per annum from October 15, 2021, until maturity. The Issuer will pay interest semi-annually on April 15 and October of each year, or if any such day is not a Business Day, on the next succeeding Business Day (each an "Interest Payment Date"), commencing October 15, 2021. Interest on the Notes will accrue from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or, if no interest has been paid, from April 14, 2021. The Issuer shall pay interest on overdue principal and premium, if any, from time to time on demand to the extent lawful at the interest rate applicable to the Notes; it shall pay interest on overdue installments of interest (without regard to any applicable grace periods) from time to time on demand at the same rate to the extent lawful. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

SECTION 2. Method of Payment. The Issuer will pay interest on the Notes to the Persons who are registered Holders at the close of business on the April 1 or October 1 next preceding the Interest Payment Date, even if such Notes are canceled after such record date and on or before such Interest Payment Date, except as provided in Section 2.12 of the Indenture with respect to defaulted interest. The Notes will be issued in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. The Issuer shall pay principal, premium, if any, and interest on the Notes in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment is legal tender for payment of public and private debts ("U.S. Legal Tender"). Principal, premium, if any, and interest on the Notes will be payable at the office or agency of the Issuer maintained for such purpose except that, at the option of the Issuer, the payment of interest may be made by check mailed to the Holders at their respective addresses set forth in the register of Holders of Notes. Until otherwise designated by the Issuer, the Issuer's office or agency will be the office of the Trustee maintained for such purpose.

SECTION 3. Paying Agent and Registrar. Initially, Regions Bank, the Trustee under the Indenture, will act as Paying Agent and Registrar. The Issuer may change any Paying Agent or Registrar without notice to any Holder. Except as provided in the Indenture, the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries may act in any such capacity.

SECTION 4. Indenture. The Issuer issued the Notes under an Indenture dated as of September 25, 2015 ("Base Indenture") between the Issuer and the Trustee, as supplemented by a Third Supplemental Indenture dated as of April 14, 2021 (the "Supplemental Indenture" and, together with the Base Indenture, the "Indenture") among the Issuer, the Guarantors and the Trustee. Subject to the terms of the Indenture, the Issuer shall be entitled to issue Additional Notes pursuant to Section 2.01 of the Indenture. The terms of the Notes include those stated in the Indenture and those made part of the Indenture by reference to the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (15 U.S. Code §§ 77aaa-77bbb) (the "Trust Indenture Act"). The Notes are subject to all such terms, and Holders are referred to the Indenture and the Trust Indenture Act for a statement of such terms. To the extent any provision of this Note conflicts with the express provisions of the Indenture, the provisions of the Indenture shall govern and be controlling.

SECTION 5. Optional Redemption. At any time prior to April 15, 2024, the Issuer may redeem all or part of the Notes at a "make-whole" redemption price equal to the greater of:

(1) 100% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed; and

(2) as determined by an Independent Investment Banker, the sum of the present values as of such redemption date of (i) the redemption price of the Notes on April 15, 2024 (set forth in the immediately following paragraph) and (ii) the remaining scheduled payments of interest on the Notes to be redeemed through April 15, 2024 (not including any portion of such payments of interest accrued to the date of redemption) discounted to the redemption date on a semiannual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Adjusted Treasury Rate for the Notes +50 basis points, plus, in either of the above cases, accrued and unpaid interest to the date of redemption on the notes to be redeemed.

On or after April 15, 2024, the Notes are redeemable at the election of the Issuer, in whole or in part, at a redemption price (expressed as percentages of the principal amount thereof) set forth below, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date, if redeemed during the 12-month period beginning on April 15 of each of the years indicated below:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
2024	104.125%
2025 and thereafter	100.00%

SECTION 6. Notice of Redemption. Subject to Section 3.03 of the Indenture, notice of any optional redemption of any Notes will be given to holders at their addresses, as shown in the Notes register, not more than 60 nor less than 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption, except that redemption notices may be mailed more than 60 days prior to the date fixed for redemption if the notice is issued in connection with a defeasance of the Notes or a satisfaction and discharge of the Indenture pursuant to Article Eight or Article Eleven of the Indenture. The notice of redemption will specify, among other items, the redemption price and the principal amount of the Notes held by the holder to be redeemed. No Notes of \$2,000 or less shall be redeemed in part. On and after the Redemption Date interest ceases to accrue on Notes or portions thereof called for redemption subject to Section 3.04 of the Indenture.

SECTION 7. Mandatory Redemption and Special Mandatory Redemption. The Issuer shall not be required to make mandatory redemption or sinking fund payments with respect to the Notes.

SECTION 8. Repurchase at Option of Holder. If there is a Change of Control, the Issuer will be required to make an offer (a “Change of Control Offer”) to repurchase all or any part (equal to \$2,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof) of each Holder’s Notes at a purchase price equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon, if any, to the date of purchase (the “Change of Control Payment”). Within 10 Business Days following any Change of Control, the Issuer will mail a notice to each Holder setting forth the procedures governing the Change of Control Offer as required by the Indenture.

SECTION 9. Denominations, Transfer Exchange. The Notes are in registered form without coupons in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. The transfer of Notes may be registered and Notes may be exchanged as provided in the Indenture. The Registrar and the Trustee may require a Holder, among other things, to furnish appropriate endorsements and transfer documents and the Issuer may require a Holder to pay any taxes and fees required by law or permitted by the Indenture. The Issuer and the Registrar are not required to transfer or exchange any Note selected for redemption. Also, the Issuer and the Registrar are not required to transfer or exchange any Notes for a period of 15 days before a selection of Notes to be redeemed.

SECTION 10. Persons Deemed Owners. The registered Holder of a Note may be treated as its owner for all purposes.

**SECTION 11. Amendment, Supplement and Waiver.** Subject to certain exceptions, the Indenture, the Subsidiary Guarantees or the Notes may be amended or supplemented with the consent of the Holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes and Additional Notes, if any, voting as a single class (including, without limitation, consents obtained in connection with a tender offer or exchange offer for, or purchase of, the Notes), and any existing default or compliance with any provision of the Indenture, the Subsidiary Guarantees or the Notes may be waived with the consent of the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes and Additional Notes, if any, voting as a single class (including, without limitation, consents obtained in connection with a tender offer or exchange offer for, or purchase of, the Notes). Without the consent of any Holder of a Note, the Indenture, the Subsidiary Guarantees or the Notes may be amended or supplemented to cure any ambiguity, defect or inconsistency, to provide for uncertificated Notes in addition to or in place of certificated Notes, to provide for the assumption of the Issuer's or any Guarantor's obligations to Holders of the Notes in case of a merger or consolidation or sale of substantially all of the Issuer's assets to make any change that would provide any additional rights or benefits to the Holders of the Notes or that does not adversely affect the legal rights under the Indenture of any such Holder, to comply with the requirements of the SEC in order to effect or maintain the qualification of the Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act, to conform the text of the Indenture, the Subsidiary Guarantees or the Notes to any provision contained in the "Description of Notes" in the Prospectus Supplement, to provide for the Issuance of Additional Notes in accordance with the limitations set forth in the Indenture, or to allow any Subsidiary to execute a supplemental indenture for the purpose of providing a Subsidiary Guarantee in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture.

**SECTION 12. Defaults and Remedies.** Events of Default include: (i) default for 30 days in the payment when due of interest on the Notes; (ii) default in payment when due of principal of or premium, if any, on the Notes, (iii) failure by the Issuer to comply with Sections 4.07 or 5.01 of the Indenture; (iv) failure by the Issuer or any Guarantor for 60 consecutive days after written notice to the Issuer by the Trustee or the Holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding voting as a single class to comply with any other agreement in the Indenture; (v) default under certain other agreements relating to Indebtedness of the Issuer or any Guarantor (or the payment of which is guaranteed by the Issuer or a Guarantor) which default (A) is caused by a Payment Default or (B) results in the acceleration of such Indebtedness prior to its express maturity, and, in each case, the principal amount of any such Indebtedness, together with the principal amount of any other such Indebtedness under which there has been a Payment Default or the maturity of which has been so accelerated, aggregates \$50.0 million or more; (vi) failure by the Issuer or any Guarantor to pay final judgments which judgments are not paid, discharged or stayed for a period of 60 days; (vii) certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency with respect to the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries that are Significant Subsidiaries or any group of Subsidiaries that, taken together, would constitute a Significant Subsidiary; and (viii) except as permitted by the Indenture, any Subsidiary Guarantee shall be held in any judicial proceeding to be unenforceable or invalid or shall cease for any reason to be in full force and effect or any Guarantor or any Person acting on its behalf shall deny or disaffirm its obligations under such Guarantor's Subsidiary Guarantee. If any Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee or the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the then outstanding Notes may declare all the Notes to be due and payable. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of an Event of Default arising from certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency with respect to the Issuer or any Subsidiary that is a Significant Subsidiary or any group of Subsidiaries that, taken together, would constitute a Significant Subsidiary, all outstanding Notes will become due and payable without further action or notice. Holders may not enforce the Indenture or the Notes except as provided in the Indenture. Subject to certain limitations, Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes may direct the Trustee in its exercise of any trust or power. The Trustee may withhold from Holders of the Notes notice of any continuing Default or Event of Default (except a Default or Event of Default relating to the payment of principal or interest) if it determines that withholding notice is in their interest. The Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding by notice to the Trustee may on behalf of the Holders of all of the Notes waive any existing Default or Event of Default and its consequences under the Indenture except a continuing Default or Event of Default in the payment of interest on, or premium on, or the principal of, the Notes. The Issuer is required to deliver to the Trustee annually a written statement regarding compliance with the Indenture, and the Issuer is required upon any Officer becoming aware of any Default or Event of Default, to deliver to a responsible officer of the Trustee a written statement specifying such Default or Event of Default the status thereof and what action CoreCivic is taking or proposes to take in respect thereof. In the absence of receipt by a responsible officer of the trustee of an Officer's Certificate regarding any such notice of Default or Event of Default from CoreCivic or written notice from any Holder of such Default or Event of Default, the trustee shall not be deemed to have notice or be charged with knowledge of any Default or Event of Default. Except in the case of a Default or Event of Default in the payment of principal of, premium, if any, or interest on any Note, the trustee may withhold notice if and so long as a committee of its trust officers in good faith determines that withholding notice is in the interests of the Holders.

SECTION 13. Restrictive Covenants. The Indenture contains certain covenants as set forth in Article Four of the Indenture.

SECTION 14. No Personal Liability of Directors, Officers, Employees and Stockholders. No past, present or future director, officer, employee, incorporator or stockholder of the Issuer or any Guarantor, as such, will have any liability for any obligations of the Issuer or the Guarantors under the Notes, this Indenture, the Subsidiary Guarantees, or for any claim based on, in respect of, or by reason of, such obligations or their creation. Each Holder of Notes by accepting a Note waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release are part of the consideration for issuance of the Notes. The waiver may not be effective to waive liabilities under the federal securities laws.

SECTION 15. Subsidiary Guarantees. This Note will be entitled to the benefits of certain Subsidiary Guarantees made for the benefit of the Holders. Reference is hereby made to the Indenture for a statement of the respective rights, limitations of rights, duties and obligations thereunder of the Guarantors, the Trustee and the Holders.

SECTION 16. Authentication. This Note shall not be valid until authenticated by the manual signature of the Trustee or an authenticating agent.

SECTION 17. Abbreviations. Customary abbreviations may be used in the name of a Holder or an assignee, such as: TEN COM (= tenants in common), TEN ENT (= tenants by the entirety), JT TEN (= joint tenants with right of survivorship and not as tenants in common), CUST (= Custodian), and U/G/M/A (= Uniform Gifts to Minors Act).

SECTION 18. CUSIP and ISIN Numbers. Pursuant to a recommendation promulgated by the Committee on Uniform Security Identification Procedures, the Issuer has caused CUSIP and ISIN numbers to be printed on the Notes and the Trustee may use CUSIP or ISIN numbers in notices of redemption as a convenience to Holders. No representation is made as to the accuracy of such numbers either as printed on the Notes or as contained in any notice of redemption and reliance may be placed only on the other identification numbers placed thereon.

SECTION 19. Governing Law. This Note shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

The Issuer will furnish to any Holder upon written request and without charge a copy of the Indenture. Requests may be made to:

CoreCivic, Inc.  
5501 Virginia Way  
Suite 110  
Brentwood, Tennessee 37027  
Attention: David M. Garfinkle

ASSIGNMENT FORM

I or we assign and transfer this Note to (Print or type name, address and zip code of assignee or transferee)

(Insert Social Security or other identifying number of assignee or transferee)

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

Dated:

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Signature

Guarantee: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant in a recognized Signature Guarantee Medallion Program  
(or other signature guarantor program reasonably acceptable to the  
Trustee)

In connection with any transfer of this Note occurring prior to the date which is the date following the second anniversary of the original issuance of this Note, the undersigned confirms that it has not utilized any general solicitation or general advertising in connection with the transfer.

OPTION OF HOLDER TO ELECT PURCHASE

If you want to elect to have this Note purchased by the Issuer pursuant to Section 4.07 of the Indenture, check the appropriate box:

If you want to elect to have only part of this Note purchased by the Issuer pursuant to Section 4.07 of the Indenture, state the amount (in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof): \$

Dated:

Signed:

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

Signature

Guarantee:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant in a recognized Signature Guarantee Medallion Program  
(or other signature guarantor program reasonably acceptable to the  
Trustee)

## SCHEDULE OF EXCHANGES OF INTERESTS IN THE GLOBAL NOTE<sup>2</sup>

The following exchanges of a part of this Global Note for an interest in another Global Note or for a Physical Note, or exchanges of a part of another Global Note or Physical Note for an interest in this Global Note, have been made:

Date of Exchange	Amount of decrease in Principal amount of this Global Note	Amount of increase in Principal Amount of this Global Note	Principal Amount of this Global Note following such decrease (or increase)	Signature of authorized officer of Trustee or Custodian
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<sup>2</sup> This schedule should be included only if the Note is issued in global form.

## SUBSIDIARY GUARANTEE

For value received, each of the undersigned (including any successor Person under the Indenture) hereby unconditionally guarantees, jointly and severally, to the extent set forth in the Indenture (as defined below) to the Holder of this Note the payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest on this Note in the amounts and at the times when due and interest on the overdue principal, premium, if any, and interest, if any, of this Note when due, if lawful, and, to the extent permitted by law, the payment or performance of all other obligations of the Issuer under the Indenture or the Notes, to the Holder of this Note and the Trustee, all in accordance with and subject to the terms and limitations of this Note, the Indenture, including Article Ten thereof, and this Subsidiary Guarantee. This Subsidiary Guarantee will become effective in accordance with Article Ten of the Indenture and its terms shall be evidenced therein. The validity and enforceability of any Subsidiary Guarantee shall not be affected by the fact that it is not affixed to any particular Note.

Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Indenture dated as of September 25, 2015 (the “Base Indenture”), between CoreCivic, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the “Issuer”), and Regions Bank, as trustee, as amended and supplemented by the Third Supplemental Indenture dated as of April 14, 2021 (the “Supplemental Indenture” and, together with the Base Indenture, the “Indenture”), among the Issuer, the Guarantors named therein and Regions Banks, as trustee (“the Trustee”) (the “Indenture”).

The obligations of the undersigned to the Holders of Notes and to the Trustee pursuant to this Subsidiary Guarantee and the Indenture are expressly set forth in Article Ten of the Indenture and reference is hereby made to the Indenture for the precise terms of the Subsidiary Guarantee and all of the other provisions of the Indenture to which this Subsidiary Guarantee relates.

No director, officer, employee, incorporator, stockholder or controlling person or any successor Person thereof of any Guarantor, as such, shall have any liability for any obligations of such Guarantors under such Guarantors’ Subsidiary Guarantee or the Indenture or for any claim based on, in respect of, or by reason of, such obligation or its creation.

This Subsidiary Guarantee shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

This Subsidiary Guarantee is subject to release upon the terms set forth in the Indenture.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each Guarantor has caused its Subsidiary Guarantee to be duly executed.

[ ]

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_

FORM OF SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE  
TO BE DELIVERED BY SUBSEQUENT GUARANTORS

SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE (this “Supplemental Indenture”), dated as of [ , 20 , among ] (the “Guaranteeing Subsidiary”), a subsidiary of CoreCivic, Inc. (or its permitted successor), a Maryland corporation (the “Issuer”), the Issuer, the other Guarantors (as defined in the Indenture referred to herein) and Regions Bank, as trustee under the indenture referred to below (the “Trustee”).

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Issuer has heretofore executed and delivered to the Trustee an Indenture dated as of September 25, 2015 (the “Base Indenture”) between the Issuer and Regions Bank as trustee, as amended and supplemented by a Third Supplemental Indenture dated as of April 14, 2021 (the “Supplemental Indenture” and, together with the Base Indenture, the “Indenture”), providing for the issuance of the Issuer’s 8.25% Senior Notes due 2026 (the “Notes”);

WHEREAS, the Indenture provides that under certain circumstances the Guaranteeing Subsidiary shall execute and deliver to the Trustee a supplemental indenture pursuant to which the Guaranteeing Subsidiary shall unconditionally guarantee all of the Issuer’s Obligations under the Notes and the Indenture on the terms and conditions set forth herein (the “Subsidiary Guarantee”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 9.01 of the Indenture, the Trustee is authorized to execute and deliver this Supplemental Indenture;

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

1. CAPITALIZED TERMS. Capitalized terms used herein without definition shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture.
2. AGREEMENT TO GUARANTEE. The Guaranteeing Subsidiary hereby agrees as follows:
  - (a) Along with all Guarantors named in the Indenture, to jointly and severally unconditionally guarantee to each Holder of a Note authenticated and delivered by the Trustee and to the Trustee and its successors and assigns irrespective of the validity and enforceability of the Indenture, the Notes or the obligations of the Issuer hereunder or thereunder, that:
    - (i) the principal of, and premium, if any, and interest on the Notes will be promptly paid in full when due, whether at maturity, by acceleration, redemption or otherwise, and interest on the overdue principal of and interest on the Notes, if any, if lawful, and all other obligations of the Issuer to the Holders or the Trustee hereunder or thereunder will be promptly paid in full or performed, all in accordance with the terms hereof and thereof; and
    - (ii) in case of any extension of time of payment or renewal of any Notes or any of such other obligations, that same will be promptly paid in full when due or performed in accordance with the terms of the extension or renewal, whether at stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise. Failing payment when due of any amount so guaranteed or any performance so guaranteed for whatever reason, the Guarantors shall be jointly and severally obligated to pay the same immediately.
  - (b) The obligations hereunder shall be unconditional, irrespective of the validity, regularity or enforceability of the Notes or the Indenture, the absence of any action to enforce the same, any waiver or consent by any Holder of the Notes with respect to any provisions hereof or thereof, the recovery of any judgment against the Issuer, any action to enforce the same or any other circumstance which might otherwise constitute a legal or equitable discharge or defense of a Guarantor.

(c) The following is hereby waived: diligence, presentment, demand of payment, filing of claims with a court in the event of insolvency or bankruptcy of the Issuer, any right to require a proceeding first against the Issuer, protest, notice and all demands whatsoever.

(d) This Subsidiary Guarantee shall not be discharged except by complete performance of the obligations contained in the Notes and the Indenture, and the Guaranteeing Subsidiary accepts all obligations of a Guarantor under the Indenture.

(e) If any Holder or the Trustee is required by any court or otherwise to return to the Issuer, the Guarantors, or any custodian, trustee, liquidator or other similar official acting in relation to either the Issuer or the Guarantors, any amount paid by either to the Trustee or such Holder, this Subsidiary Guarantee, to the extent theretofore discharged, shall be reinstated in full force and effect.

(f) The Guaranteeing Subsidiary shall not be entitled to any right of subrogation in relation to the Holders in respect of any obligations guaranteed hereby until payment in full of all obligations guaranteed hereby.

(g) As between the Guarantors, on the one hand, and the Holders and the Trustee, on the other hand, (x) the maturity of the obligations guaranteed hereby may be accelerated as provided in Article 6 of the Indenture for the purposes of this Subsidiary Guarantee, notwithstanding any stay, injunction or other prohibition preventing such acceleration in respect of the obligations guaranteed hereby, and (y) in the event of any declaration of acceleration of such obligations as provided in Article 6 of the Indenture, such obligations (whether or not due and payable) shall forthwith become due and payable by the Guarantors for the purpose of this Subsidiary Guarantee.

(h) The Guarantors shall have the right to seek contribution from any non-paying Guarantor so long as the exercise of such right does not impair the rights of the Holders under the Subsidiary Guarantee.

(i) Pursuant to Section 10.02 of the Indenture, after giving effect to any maximum amount and all other contingent and fixed liabilities that are relevant under any applicable (A) Bankruptcy or fraudulent conveyance laws or (B) any applicable state laws prohibiting shareholder distributions by an insolvent subsidiary to the extent applicable, and after giving effect to any collections from, rights to receive contribution from or payments made by or on behalf of any other Guarantor in respect of the obligations of such other Guarantor under Article 10 of the Indenture, this new Subsidiary Guarantee shall be limited to the maximum amount permissible such that the obligations of such Guarantor under this Subsidiary Guarantee will not constitute a fraudulent transfer or conveyance or an unlawful shareholder distribution.

3. EXECUTION AND DELIVERY. To evidence its Subsidiary Guarantee set forth herein, the Guaranteeing Subsidiary hereby agrees that a notation of such Subsidiary Guarantee substantially in the form attached as Exhibit B to the Indenture will be endorsed by an Officer of the Guaranteeing Subsidiary on each Note authenticated and delivered by the Trustee. Each Guaranteeing Subsidiary agrees that the Subsidiary Guarantees shall remain in full force and effect notwithstanding any failure to endorse on each Note a notation of such Subsidiary Guarantee.

#### 4. RELEASES.

(a) The Guaranteeing Subsidiary will be released and relieved of any obligations under its Subsidiary Guarantee, the Indenture and the Notes (i) in the event of any sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Guaranteeing Subsidiary (including by way of merger, consolidation or otherwise) to a Person that is not (either before or after giving effect to such transaction) a Subsidiary of the Issuer, (ii) a sale or other disposition of all of the Capital Stock of the Guaranteeing Subsidiary, in each case, to a Person that is not (either before or after giving effect to such transactions) a Subsidiary of the Issuer, (iii) upon Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance of the Notes pursuant to Article Eight of the Indenture or (iv) if the Guaranteeing Subsidiary is released from its guarantees under all Credit Facilities of the Issuer or another Guarantor (including as a result of such Credit Facilities ceasing to be outstanding). Upon delivery by the Issuer to the Trustee of an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the provisions of the Indenture and this Supplemental Indenture with respect to the release of such Guaranteeing Subsidiary have been satisfied, the Trustee shall execute any documents reasonably required in order to evidence the release of any Guarantor from its obligations under its Subsidiary Guarantee.

(b) Any Guarantor not released from its obligations under its Subsidiary Guarantee shall remain liable for the full amount of principal of and interest on the Notes and for the other obligations of any Guarantor under the Indenture as provided in Article 10 of the Indenture.

(c) Nothing contained in the Indenture or in any of the Notes shall prevent any consolidation or merger of a Guarantor with or into an Issuer (in which case such Guarantor shall no longer be a Guarantor) or another Guarantor or shall prevent any sale or conveyance of the property of a Guarantor as an entirety or substantially as an entirety to an Issuer or another Guarantor.

5. **NO RECOURSE AGAINST OTHERS.** No past, present or future director, officer, employee, incorporator, stockholder or agent of the Guaranteeing Subsidiary, as such, shall have any liability for any obligations of the Issuer or any Guaranteeing Subsidiary under the Notes, any Subsidiary Guarantees, the Indenture or this Supplemental Indenture or for any claim based on, in respect of, or by reason of, such obligations or their creation. Each Holder of the Notes by accepting a Note waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release are part of the consideration for issuance of the Notes. Such waiver may not be effective to waive liabilities under the federal securities laws and it is the view of the SEC that such a waiver is against public policy.

6. **NEW YORK LAW TO GOVERN. THE INTERNAL LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK SHALL GOVERN AND BE USED TO CONSTRUE THIS SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE BUT WITHOUT GIVING EFFECT TO APPLICABLE PRINCIPLES OF CONFLICTS OF LAW TO THE EXTENT THAT THE APPLICATION OF THE LAWS OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION WOULD BE REQUIRED THEREBY.**

7. **COUNTERPARTS.** The parties may sign any number of copies of this Supplemental Indenture. Each signed copy shall be an original, but all of them together represent the same agreement.

8. **EFFECT OF HEADINGS.** The Section headings herein are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

9. **THE TRUSTEE.** The Trustee shall not be responsible in any manner whatsoever for or in respect of the validity or sufficiency of this Supplemental Indenture or for or in respect of the recitals contained herein, all of which recitals are made solely by the Guaranteeing Subsidiary and the Issuer.

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

Dated: , 20

GUARANTEEING SUBSIDIARY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_

CORECIVIC, INC.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_

[EXISTING GUARANTORS]

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_

REGIONS BANK as Trustee

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signatory

**BASS BERRY SIMS** PC

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April 14, 2021

CoreCivic, Inc.  
5501 Virginia Way  
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to CoreCivic, Inc., a Maryland corporation (“**CoreCivic**”), and special counsel to the subsidiary guarantors of CoreCivic listed on Schedule I attached hereto (the “**Subsidiary Guarantors**”), in connection with the sale and issuances of the 8.25% Senior Notes due 2026 in the aggregate principal amount of \$450,000,000 (the “**Notes**”) and the related guarantees of such Notes issued by the Subsidiary Guarantors (the “**Guarantees**”) under the indenture, dated September 25, 2015 (the “**Base Indenture**”), between CoreCivic and Regions Bank, as successor to U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the “**Trustee**”), as supplemented by the third supplemental indenture, dated April 14, 2021, among CoreCivic, the Subsidiary Guarantors and the Trustee (together with the Base Indenture, the “**Indenture**”). Such issuance is pursuant to CoreCivic’s (i) Registration Statement on Form S-3ASR initially filed on April 6, 2021 (File No. 333-255070) with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “**Commission**”) (the “**Registration Statement**”), (ii) a base prospectus, dated April 6, 2021, included as part of the Registration Statement, (iii) a preliminary prospectus supplement, dated April 7, 2021 (together with the base prospectus, the “**Preliminary Prospectus**”), (iv) the document identified by CoreCivic as an “issuer free writing prospectus” (within the meaning of Rule 433 and Rule 405 of the Securities Act) (the “**IFWP**”) and filed with the Commission on April 7, 2021, (v) a prospectus supplement, dated April 7, 2021 (together with the base prospectus, the “**Prospectus**”), and (vi) the underwriting agreement, dated April 7, 2021 (the “**Underwriting Agreement**”), among CoreCivic, the Subsidiary Guarantors, Imperial Capital LLC, as representative of the several underwriters named on Schedule A attached thereto (the “**Underwriters**”).

In rendering our opinions herein, we have relied upon certificates signed by officers of CoreCivic and the Subsidiary Guarantors with respect to various factual matters without having independently verified such factual matters, and certificates, correspondence and representations from public officials referred to below. We are opining herein as to the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act and the Tennessee Revised Limited Liability Company Act, as applicable to those certain Subsidiary Guarantors organized under such Delaware and Tennessee laws, respectively, listed on Schedule II hereto (the “**Specified Guarantors**”), and, with respect to the opinions set forth in paragraphs 3, 4, and 5 below, the internal laws of the State of New York, and we express no opinion with respect to the applicability thereto, or the effect thereon, of the laws of any other jurisdiction or, in the case of Delaware and Tennessee, any laws other than the limited liability company acts listed above, or as to any matters of municipal law or the laws of any local agencies within any state. We call to your attention that certain of the Subsidiary Guarantors are also organized or incorporated, as the case may be, in the States of California, Colorado, Maryland, Nevada, Oklahoma and Texas, as indicated in Schedule I hereto. Various matters concerning the laws of the States of California, Colorado and Nevada are addressed in the letter of Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP. Various matters concerning the laws of the States of Maryland, Oklahoma and Texas are addressed in the letters of Miles & Stockbridge P.C., McAfee & Taft A Professional Corporation. and Liechty, McGinnis, Berryman & Bowen, LLP, respectively. We express no opinion with respect to those matters.

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We have assumed that all documents referenced below are the valid and binding obligations of and enforceable against the parties thereto. We have also assumed the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the genuineness of all signatures, the conformity to authentic original documents of all documents submitted to us as certified, conformed or photostatic copies, the legal capacity of all natural persons and, as to certificates, representations and correspondence from public officials, we have assumed the same to have been properly given and to be accurate.

To the extent our opinion set forth below relates to the enforceability of the choice of New York law and choice of New York forum provisions of the Indenture and the Notes, our opinion is rendered in reliance upon N.Y. Gen. Oblig. Law §§5-1401, 5-1402 (McKinney 2001) and N.Y. C.P.L.R. 327(b) (McKinney 2001) and is subject to the qualification that such enforceability may be limited by public policy considerations of any jurisdiction, other than the courts of the State of New York, in which enforcement of such provisions, or of a judgment upon an agreement containing such provisions, is sought. We have also assumed that CoreCivic and the Specified Guarantors have complied with all aspects of applicable laws of jurisdictions other than the State of New York in connection with the transactions contemplated by the Indenture. We do not express any opinion with respect to the law of any jurisdiction other than those laws specified herein or as to the effect of any such non-covered law on the opinions herein stated or the securities or “blue sky” laws of any jurisdiction. The opinions expressed in this opinion letter are strictly limited to the matters stated in this opinion letter and no other opinions are to be implied.

In connection with issuing this opinion, we have reviewed originals or copies of the following documents (the “**Reference Documents**”):

- (a) The Registration Statement;
- (b) The Prospectus;
- (c) The certified articles of organization or certificates of organization of the Specified Guarantors, as certified by the Secretary of State offices of the State of Tennessee and the State of Delaware, as applicable, as of a recent date;
- (d) The operating agreements of the Specified Guarantors;
- (e) The certificates signed by officers of CoreCivic and the Subsidiary Guarantors with respect to various factual matters;
- (f) The Indenture, including the Notes and the Guarantees;
- (g) The Underwriting Agreement;
- (h) Evidence of good standing from the Secretary of State offices of the State of Tennessee and the State of Delaware for each of the Specified Guarantors, as applicable, issued as of a recent date; and
- (i) Such other documents we have deemed appropriate or necessary for issuance of this opinion.

Our opinion is rendered as of the date hereof, and we assume no obligation to advise you of any changes in the facts or law relating to the matters covered by this opinion that may hereafter come to our attention.

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Based on the foregoing, and subject to the assumptions, limitations and qualifications set forth herein, we are of the opinion that:

1. The Indenture has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by all necessary corporate action of the Specified Guarantors.
2. The Guarantees have been duly authorized by proper action of the governing bodies of each of the Specified Guarantors in accordance with their governing documents.
3. The Notes have been duly authorized, executed, authenticated, issued and delivered in accordance with the Underwriting Agreement and the Indenture, and have been issued and sold as contemplated in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus. The Guarantees have been duly authorized, executed, issued and delivered in accordance with the Underwriting Agreement and the Indenture.
4. The Notes are the legally valid and binding obligations of CoreCivic, enforceable against CoreCivic in accordance with their terms.
5. The Guarantees are legally valid and binding obligations of the Subsidiary Guarantors and enforceable against the Subsidiary Guarantors in accordance with their respective terms.
6. Each of the Specified Guarantors has the requisite limited liability company power to execute, deliver and perform its respective obligations under the Underwriting Agreement, including guaranteeing the Notes pursuant to the terms of, and to perform its obligations under, the Indenture.

The opinions expressed above with respect to the valid and binding nature of obligations may be limited by the following exceptions, limitations and qualifications: (i) the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, receivership, moratorium or other laws affecting creditors' rights (including, without limitation, the effect of statutory and other law regarding fraudulent conveyances, fraudulent transfers and preferential transfers); (ii) the exercise of judicial discretion and the application of principles of equity, good faith, fair dealing, reasonableness, conscionability and materiality, regardless of whether the Notes are considered in a proceeding in equity or at law (including the possible unavailability of specific performance or injunctive relief); (iii) the unenforceability under certain circumstances under law or court decisions of provisions providing for the indemnification of or contribution to a party with respect to a liability where such indemnification or contribution is contrary to public policy; and (iv) the unenforceability of any provision requiring the payment of attorneys' fees, where such payment is contrary to law or public policy. The opinions rendered herein do not include opinions with respect to compliance with laws relating to permissible rates of interest.

With your consent, we have assumed (a) that the Indenture, the Guarantees, and the Notes (collectively, the "**Documents**") have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the parties thereto other than CoreCivic and each of the Specified Guarantors, (b) that the Documents constitute legally valid and binding obligations of the parties thereto other than CoreCivic and each of the Specified Guarantors, enforceable against each of them in accordance with their respective terms, and (c) that the status of the Documents as legally valid and binding obligations of the parties is not affected by any (i) breaches of, or defaults under, agreements or instruments, (ii) violations of statutes, rules, regulations or court or governmental orders, or (iii) failures to obtain required consents, approvals or authorizations from, or make required registrations, declarations or filings with, governmental authorities.

This opinion is limited to the matters expressly stated herein, and no opinions are to be inferred or may be implied beyond the opinions expressly so stated.

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We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion letter as an exhibit to a Current Report on Form 8-K filed April 14, 2021 and to the reference to our firm under the heading "Legal Matters" in the Prospectus. In giving this consent, we do not hereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Bass, Berry & Sims PLC

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**Schedule I**

**Subsidiary Guarantors**

<b>Corporation or LLC</b>	<b>Jurisdiction of Organization</b>
CoreCivic, Inc.	Maryland
ACS Corrections of Texas, L.L.C.	Texas
Avalon Corpus Christi Transitional Center, LLC	Texas
Avalon Correctional Services, Inc.	Nevada
Avalon Transitional Center Dallas, LLC	Texas
Avalon Tulsa, L.L.C.	Oklahoma
Carver Transitional Center, L.L.C.	Oklahoma
CCA Health Services, LLC	Tennessee
CCA International, LLC	Delaware
CCA South Texas, LLC	Maryland
CoreCivic, LLC	Delaware
CoreCivic Government Solutions, LLC	Maryland
CoreCivic of Tallahassee, LLC	Maryland
CoreCivic of Tennessee, LLC	Tennessee
CoreCivic TRS, LLC	Maryland
Correctional Alternatives, LLC	California
Correctional Management, Inc.	Colorado
EP Horizon Management, LLC	Texas
Fort Worth Transitional Center, L.L.C.	Oklahoma
Green Level Realty, LLC	Colorado
National Offender Management Systems, LLC	Colorado
Prison Realty Management, LLC	Tennessee
Recovery Monitoring Solutions Corporation	Texas
Rocky Mountain Offender Management Systems, LLC	Colorado
Southern Corrections Systems of Wyoming, L.L.C.	Oklahoma
Technical and Business Institute of America, LLC	Tennessee
Time To Change, Inc.	Colorado
TransCor America, LLC	Tennessee
Turley Residential Center, L.L.C.	Oklahoma

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## Schedule II

### Specified Guarantors

Delaware limited liability company Subsidiary Guarantors

- CCA International, LLC
- CoreCivic, LLC

Tennessee limited liability company Subsidiary Guarantors

- CoreCivic of Tennessee, LLC
  - CCA Health Services, LLC
  - Prison Realty Management, LLC
  - Technical and Business Institute of America, LLC
  - TransCor America, LLC
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April 14, 2021

CoreCivic, Inc.  
5501 Virginia Way  
Brentwood, Tennessee 37027

Re: CoreCivic, Inc.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special Maryland counsel to CoreCivic, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the “Company”), CCA South Texas, LLC, a Maryland limited liability company (“CCA South Texas”), CoreCivic Government Solutions, LLC, a Maryland limited liability company (“CC Government Solutions”), CoreCivic of Tallahassee, LLC, a Maryland limited liability company (“CC Tallahassee”), and CoreCivic TRS, LLC, a Maryland limited liability company (together with CCA South Texas, CC Government Solutions and CC Tallahassee, the “Maryland Subsidiary Guarantors”), in connection with the issuance and sale by the Company of \$450,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 8.25% Senior Notes due 2026 (the “Notes”) to be guaranteed on a senior unsecured basis by certain subsidiaries of the Company (including the Maryland Subsidiary Guarantors, the “Guarantors”), pursuant to the prospectus supplement dated April 7, 2021 (the “Prospectus Supplement”), supplementing the prospectus dated April 6, 2021 (together with the Prospectus Supplement, the “Prospectus”) that forms a part of the Company’s registration statement on Form S-3 (Reg. No. 333-255070), the “Registration Statement”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), on April 6, 2021.

The Notes will be issued pursuant to the Indenture, dated as of September 25, 2015 (the “Base Indenture”), between the Company and Regions Bank, as successor to U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the “Trustee”), as supplemented by the Third Supplemental Indenture, dated as of April 14, 2021, (the “Third Supplemental Indenture” and, together with the Base Indenture, the “Indenture”), among the Company, the Guarantors and the Trustee.

In our capacity as special Maryland counsel to the Company and the Maryland Subsidiary Guarantors and for the purposes of the opinions expressed herein, we have reviewed such corporate records, certificates and documents as we considered necessary for the purposes of the opinions expressed herein.

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Based on the foregoing and subject to the assumptions and qualifications herein set forth, it is our opinion that:

1. The Company is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the State of Maryland.
2. The Company has the corporate power to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under the Indenture and the Notes and to issue the Notes.
3. The execution and delivery by the Company of the Indenture and the performance of its obligations thereunder, including issuance of the Notes, have been duly authorized by the Company.
4. Each Maryland Subsidiary Guarantor is validly existing as a limited liability company in good standing under the laws of the State of Maryland.
5. Each Maryland Subsidiary Guarantor has the limited liability company power to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under the Supplemental Indenture, including its guarantee of the Notes.
6. The execution and delivery by each Maryland Subsidiary Guarantor of the Supplemental Indenture and the performance of its obligations thereunder, including guaranteeing the Notes in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture, have been duly authorized by the Maryland Subsidiary Guarantors.

In expressing the opinions set forth herein, we have assumed that (i) all documents submitted to us as originals are authentic, (ii) all documents submitted to us as copies conform with the originals of those documents, (iii) all signatures on all documents submitted to us for examination are genuine, (iv) each natural person executing any such document is legally competent to do so and (v) all public records reviewed by us or on our behalf are accurate and complete.

We have relied as to factual matters on information obtained from public officials and officers or representatives of the Company and the Maryland Subsidiary Guarantors. In giving our opinions set forth in numbered opinion paragraphs 1 and 4 above, our opinions are based solely on good standing certificates issued by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of the State of Maryland on April 12, 2021, with respect to the Company and each of the Maryland Subsidiary Guarantors.

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We express no opinion with respect to the laws of, or the effect or applicability of the laws of, any jurisdiction other than the laws of the State of Maryland, except that we express no opinion with respect to the blue sky or other securities laws or regulations of the State of Maryland. The opinions expressed herein are limited to the matters set forth in this letter and no other opinion should be inferred beyond the matters expressly stated.

We hereby consent to the use of our name under the heading “Legal Matters” in the Prospectus and to the filing of this letter as an exhibit to the Company’s Current Report on Form 8-K on the date hereof, which Form 8-K will be incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement. In giving our consent, we do not thereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act or the rules and regulations of the SEC thereunder.

Very truly yours,

Miles & Stockbridge P.C.

By: /s/ J.W. Thompson Webb  
Principal

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April 14, 2021

CoreCivic, Inc.  
5501 Virginia Way  
Brentwood, Tennessee 37027

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as local Nevada counsel to CoreCivic, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the “Company”), and Avalon Correctional Services, Inc., a Nevada corporation (the “Nevada Subsidiary Guarantor”), in connection with the registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Act”), pursuant to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-255070) filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”), including the prospectus dated April 6, 2021 contained therein, as supplemented by the prospectus supplement dated April 7, 2021 (the “Prospectus Supplement”) filed with the Commission (as so supplemented, the “Registration Statement”), of \$450,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Company’s 8.25% Senior Notes due 2026 (the “Notes”), issued pursuant to (i) that certain Base Indenture, dated as of September 25, 2015, by and between the Company and Regions Bank, as successor to U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the “Trustee”), as amended and supplemented by that certain Third Supplemental Indenture, dated as of April 14, 2021 (the “Supplemental Indenture”), by and among the Company, the Guarantors (as defined therein) party thereto, including the Nevada Subsidiary Guarantor, and the Trustee (as so supplemented, the “Indenture”), and (ii) that certain Underwriting Agreement, dated as of April 7, 2021 (the “Underwriting Agreement”), by and among Imperial Capital LLC, as representative of the several underwriters named in Schedule A thereto, the Company and the Notes Guarantors (as defined therein) party thereto, including the Nevada Subsidiary Guarantor.

In our capacity as such counsel, we are familiar with the proceedings taken and proposed to be taken by the Company and the Nevada Subsidiary Guarantor in connection with the registration of the Notes and the guarantee thereof by the Nevada Subsidiary Guarantor pursuant to the Indenture, as described in the Registration Statement. For purposes of this opinion letter, and except to the extent set forth in the opinions below, we have assumed all such proceedings have been timely completed or will be timely completed in the manner presently proposed in the Registration Statement and the Indenture.

For purposes of issuing this opinion letter, we have made such legal and factual examinations and inquiries, including an examination of originals or copies certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction as being true copies of (i) the Registration Statement, (ii) the Indenture, (iii) the Underwriting Agreement, (iv) the articles of incorporation and bylaws, each as amended to date, of the Nevada Subsidiary Guarantor, (v) the resolutions of the board of directors of the Nevada Subsidiary Guarantor with respect to the Notes and the guarantee thereof by the Nevada Subsidiary Guarantor pursuant to the Indenture and (vi) such other documents, agreements, instruments and corporate records and proceedings as we have deemed necessary or appropriate for purposes of issuing this opinion letter. We have also obtained from officers and other representatives of the Nevada Subsidiary Guarantor and from public officials, and have relied upon, such certificates, representations, assurances and public filings as we have deemed necessary or appropriate for the purpose of issuing the opinions set forth herein.

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Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, in issuing this opinion letter, we have, with your permission, assumed without independent verification that (i) the statements of fact and representations and warranties set forth in the documents we have reviewed are true and correct as to factual matters, in each case of the date or dates of such documents and as of the date hereof; (ii) each natural person executing a document has sufficient legal capacity to do so; (iii) all documents submitted to us as originals are authentic, the signatures on all documents that we have examined are genuine, and all documents submitted to us as certified, conformed, photostatic, electronic or facsimile copies conform to the original documents; and (iv) all corporate records made available to us by the Nevada Subsidiary Guarantor, and all public records we have reviewed, are accurate and complete.

We are qualified to practice law in the State of Nevada. The opinions set forth herein are expressly limited to and based exclusively on the general corporate laws of the State of Nevada in effect on the date hereof, and we do not purport to be experts on, or to express any opinion with respect to the applicability or effect of, the laws of any other jurisdiction. We express no opinion herein concerning, and we assume no responsibility as to laws or judicial decisions related to, or any orders, consents or other authorizations or approvals as may be required by, any federal laws, rules or regulations, including, without limitation, any federal securities laws, rules or regulations, or any state securities or "Blue Sky" laws, rules or regulations.

Based on the foregoing and in reliance thereon, and having regard to legal considerations and other information that we deem relevant, we are of the opinion that:

1. The Nevada Subsidiary Guarantor is validly existing as a corporation and in good standing under the laws of the State of Nevada.
2. The Nevada Subsidiary Guarantor has the corporate power and authority to enter into the Underwriting Agreement and the Supplemental Indenture and to perform its obligations thereunder and under the Indenture.
3. The execution and delivery by the Nevada Subsidiary Guarantor of the Underwriting Agreement and the Supplemental Indenture and the performance by the Nevada Subsidiary Guarantor of its obligations thereunder and under the Indenture have been duly authorized by the Nevada Subsidiary Guarantor.
4. The Supplemental Indenture and the Underwriting Agreement have been duly executed and delivered by the Nevada Subsidiary Guarantor.

The opinions expressed herein are based upon the applicable laws of the State of Nevada and the facts in existence on the date hereof. In delivering this opinion letter to you, we disclaim any obligation to update or supplement the opinions set forth herein or to apprise you of any changes in such laws or facts after the later of the date hereof and the filing date of the Prospectus Supplement. No opinion is offered or implied as to any matter, and no inference may be drawn, beyond the strict scope of the specific issues expressly addressed by the opinions set forth herein.

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We hereby consent to your filing this opinion letter as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not admit that we are within the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder. Subject to all of the qualifications, limitations, exceptions, restrictions and assumptions set forth herein, Bass, Berry & Sims PLC may rely on this opinion letter as if it were an addressee hereof on this date for the sole purpose of issuing its opinion letter to the Company relating to the registration of the Notes, as filed with the Commission as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement.

Very truly yours,  
/s/ Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP

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April 14, 2021

CoreCivic, Inc.  
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Brentwood, Tennessee 37027

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as local Colorado counsel to CoreCivic, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the “Company”), Correctional Management, Inc., a Colorado corporation (“CMI”), Time to Change, Inc., a Colorado corporation (“TTC”), Green Level Realty LLC, a Colorado limited liability company (“GLR”), Rocky Mountain Offender Management Systems, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company (“RMOMS”), and National Offender Management Systems, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company (together with CMI, TTC, GLR and RMOMS, the “Colorado Subsidiary Guarantors”), in connection with the registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Act”), pursuant to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-255070) filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”), including the prospectus dated April 6, 2021 contained therein, as supplemented by the prospectus supplement dated April 7, 2021 (the “Prospectus Supplement”) filed with the Commission (as so supplemented, the “Registration Statement”), of \$450,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Company’s 8.25% Senior Notes due 2026 (the “Notes”), issued pursuant to (i) that certain Base Indenture, dated as of September 25, 2015, by and between the Company and Regions Bank, as successor to U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the “Trustee”), as amended and supplemented by that certain Third Supplemental Indenture, dated as of April 14, 2021 (the “Supplemental Indenture”), by and among the Company, the Guarantors (as defined therein) party thereto, including the Colorado Subsidiary Guarantors, and the Trustee (as so supplemented, the “Indenture”), and (ii) that certain Underwriting Agreement, dated as of April 7, 2021 (the “Underwriting Agreement”), by and among Imperial Capital LLC, as representative of the several underwriters named in Schedule A thereto, the Company and the Notes Guarantors (as defined therein) party thereto, including the Colorado Subsidiary Guarantors.

In our capacity as such counsel, we are familiar with the proceedings taken and proposed to be taken by the Company and the Colorado Subsidiary Guarantors in connection with the registration of the Notes and the guarantee thereof by the Colorado Subsidiary Guarantors pursuant to the Indenture, as described in the Registration Statement. For purposes of this opinion letter, and except to the extent set forth in the opinions below, we have assumed all such proceedings have been timely completed or will be timely completed in the manner presently proposed in the Registration Statement and the Indenture

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For purposes of issuing this opinion letter, we have made such legal and factual examinations and inquiries, including an examination of originals or copies certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction as being true copies of (i) the Registration Statement, (ii) the Indenture, (iii) the Underwriting Agreement, (iv) the articles of incorporation and bylaws, or articles of organization and operating agreement, as applicable, each as amended to date, of each of the Colorado Subsidiary Guarantors, (v) the resolutions of the board of directors, sole manager or sole member, as applicable, of each of the Colorado Subsidiary Guarantors with respect to the Notes and the guarantee thereof by the Colorado Subsidiary Guarantors pursuant to the Indenture and (vi) such other documents, agreements, instruments and corporate records and proceedings as we have deemed necessary or appropriate for purposes of issuing this opinion letter. We have also obtained from officers and other representatives of the Colorado Subsidiary Guarantors and from public officials, and have relied upon, such certificates, representations, assurances and public filings as we have deemed necessary or appropriate for the purpose of issuing the opinions set forth herein.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, in issuing this opinion letter, we have, with your permission, assumed without independent verification that (i) the statements of fact and representations and warranties set forth in the documents we have reviewed are true and correct as to factual matters, in each case of the date or dates of such documents and as of the date hereof; (ii) each natural person executing a document has sufficient legal capacity to do so; (iii) all documents submitted to us as originals are authentic, the signatures on all documents that we have examined are genuine, and all documents submitted to us as certified, conformed, photostatic, electronic or facsimile copies conform to the original documents; and (iv) all corporate or limited liability company, as applicable, records made available to us by the Colorado Subsidiary Guarantors, and all public records we have reviewed, are accurate and complete.

We are qualified to practice law in the State of Colorado. The opinions set forth herein are expressly limited to and based exclusively on the general corporate and limited liability company laws of the State of Colorado in effect on the date hereof, and we do not purport to be experts on, or to express any opinion with respect to the applicability or effect of, the laws of any other jurisdiction. We express no opinion herein concerning, and we assume no responsibility as to laws or judicial decisions related to, or any orders, consents or other authorizations or approvals as may be required by, any federal laws, rules or regulations, including, without limitation, any federal securities laws, rules or regulations, or any state securities or "Blue Sky" laws, rules or regulations.

Based on the foregoing and in reliance thereon, and having regard to legal considerations and other information that we deem relevant, we are of the opinion that:

1. Each of the Colorado Subsidiary Guarantors is validly existing as a corporation or limited liability company, as applicable, and in good standing under the laws of the State of Colorado.
2. Each of the Colorado Subsidiary Guarantors has the corporate or limited liability company, as applicable, power and authority to enter into the Underwriting Agreement and the Supplemental Indenture and to perform its obligations thereunder and under the Indenture.
3. The execution and delivery by each of the Colorado Subsidiary Guarantors of the Underwriting Agreement and the Supplemental Indenture and the performance by each of the Colorado Subsidiary Guarantors of its obligations thereunder and under the Indenture have been duly authorized by such Colorado Subsidiary Guarantor.
4. The Supplemental Indenture and the Underwriting Agreement have been duly executed and delivered by each of the Colorado Subsidiary Guarantors.

The opinions expressed herein are based upon the applicable laws of the State of Colorado and the facts in existence on the date hereof. In delivering this opinion letter to you, we disclaim any obligation to update or supplement the opinions set forth herein or to apprise you of any changes in such laws or facts after the later of the date hereof and the filing date of the Prospectus Supplement. No opinion is offered or implied as to any matter, and no inference may be drawn, beyond the strict scope of the specific issues expressly addressed by the opinions set forth herein.

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We hereby consent to your filing this opinion letter as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not admit that we are within the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder. Subject to all of the qualifications, limitations, exceptions, restrictions and assumptions set forth herein, Bass, Berry & Sims PLC may rely on this opinion letter as if it were an addressee hereof on this date for the sole purpose of issuing its opinion letter to the Company relating to the registration of the Notes, as filed with the Commission as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement.

Very truly yours,  
/s/ Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP

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April 14, 2021

CoreCivic, Inc.  
5501 Virginia Way  
Brentwood, Tennessee 37027

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as local California counsel to CoreCivic, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the “Company”), and Correctional Alternatives, LLC, a California limited liability company (the “California Subsidiary Guarantor”), in connection with the registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Act”), pursuant to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-255070) filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”), including the prospectus dated April 6, 2021 contained therein, as supplemented by the prospectus supplement dated April 7, 2021 (the “Prospectus Supplement”) filed with the Commission (as so supplemented, the “Registration Statement”), of \$450,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Company’s 8.25% Senior Notes due 2026 (the “Notes”), issued pursuant to (i) that certain Base Indenture, dated as of September 25, 2015, by and between the Company and Regions Bank, as successor to U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the “Trustee”), as amended and supplemented by that certain Third Supplemental Indenture, dated as of April 14, 2021 (the “Supplemental Indenture”), by and among the Company, the Guarantors (as defined therein) party thereto, including the California Subsidiary Guarantor, and the Trustee (as so supplemented, the “Indenture”), and (ii) that certain Underwriting Agreement, dated as of April 7, 2021 (the “Underwriting Agreement”), by and among Imperial Capital LLC, as representative of the several underwriters named in Schedule A thereto, the Company and the Notes Guarantors (as defined therein) party thereto, including the California Subsidiary Guarantor.

In our capacity as such counsel, we are familiar with the proceedings taken and proposed to be taken by the Company and the California Subsidiary Guarantor in connection with the registration of the Notes and the guarantee thereof by the California Subsidiary Guarantor pursuant to the Indenture, as described in the Registration Statement. For purposes of this opinion letter, and except to the extent set forth in the opinions below, we have assumed all such proceedings have been timely completed or will be timely completed in the manner presently proposed in the Registration Statement and the Indenture.

For purposes of issuing this opinion letter, we have made such legal and factual examinations and inquiries, including an examination of originals or copies certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction as being true copies of (i) the Registration Statement, (ii) the Indenture, (iii) the Underwriting Agreement, (iv) the articles of organization and limited liability company operating agreement, each as amended to date, of the California Subsidiary Guarantor, (v) the resolutions of the sole member of the California Subsidiary Guarantor with respect to the Notes and the guarantee thereof by the California Subsidiary Guarantor pursuant to the Indenture and (vi) such other documents, agreements, instruments and limited liability company records and proceedings as we have deemed necessary or appropriate for purposes of issuing this opinion letter. We have also obtained from officers and other representatives of the California Subsidiary Guarantor and from public officials, and have relied upon, such certificates, representations, assurances and public filings as we have deemed necessary or appropriate for the purpose of issuing the opinions set forth herein.

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Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, in issuing this opinion letter, we have, with your permission, assumed without independent verification that (i) the statements of fact and representations and warranties set forth in the documents we have reviewed are true and correct as to factual matters, in each case of the date or dates of such documents and as of the date hereof; (ii) each natural person executing a document has sufficient legal capacity to do so; (iii) all documents submitted to us as originals are authentic, the signatures on all documents that we have examined are genuine, and all documents submitted to us as certified, conformed, photostatic, electronic or facsimile copies conform to the original documents; and (iv) all limited liability company records made available to us by the California Subsidiary Guarantor, and all public records we have reviewed, are accurate and complete.

We are qualified to practice law in the State of California. The opinions set forth herein are expressly limited to and based exclusively on the general limited liability company laws of the State of California in effect on the date hereof, and we do not purport to be experts on, or to express any opinion with respect to the applicability or effect of, the laws of any other jurisdiction. We express no opinion herein concerning, and we assume no responsibility as to laws or judicial decisions related to, or any orders, consents or other authorizations or approvals as may be required by, any federal laws, rules or regulations, including, without limitation, any federal securities laws, rules or regulations, or any state securities or “Blue Sky” laws, rules or regulations.

Based on the foregoing and in reliance thereon, and having regard to legal considerations and other information that we deem relevant, we are of the opinion that:

1. The California Subsidiary Guarantor is validly existing as a limited liability company and in good standing under the laws of the State of California.
2. The California Subsidiary Guarantor has the limited liability company power and authority to enter into the Underwriting Agreement and the Supplemental Indenture and to perform its obligations thereunder and under the Indenture.
3. The execution and delivery by the California Subsidiary Guarantor of the Underwriting Agreement and the Supplemental Indenture and the performance by the California Subsidiary Guarantor of its obligations thereunder and under the Indenture have been duly authorized by the California Subsidiary Guarantor.
4. The Supplemental Indenture and the Underwriting Agreement have been duly executed and delivered by the California Subsidiary Guarantor.

The opinions expressed herein are based upon the applicable laws of the State of California and the facts in existence on the date hereof. In delivering this opinion letter to you, we disclaim any obligation to update or supplement the opinions set forth herein or to apprise you of any changes in such laws or facts after the later of the date hereof and the filing date of the Prospectus Supplement. No opinion is offered or implied as to any matter, and no inference may be drawn, beyond the strict scope of the specific issues expressly addressed by the opinions set forth herein.

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We hereby consent to your filing this opinion letter as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not admit that we are within the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder. Subject to all of the qualifications, limitations, exceptions, restrictions and assumptions set forth herein, Bass, Berry & Sims PLC may rely on this opinion letter as if it were an addressee hereof on this date for the sole purpose of issuing its opinion letter to the Company relating to the registration of the Notes, as filed with the Commission as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement.

Very truly yours,  
/s/ Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP

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CoreCivic, Inc.  
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to Avalon Tulsa, L.L.C., Carver Transitional Center, L.L.C., Fort Worth Transitional Center, L.L.C., Southern Corrections Systems of Wyoming, L.L.C., and Turley Residential Center, L.L.C. (the "Oklahoma Guarantors") in connection with their guarantee of \$450,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 8.25% Senior Notes due 2026 (collectively, the "Notes") to be issued by CoreCivic, Inc., a Maryland corporation. The Notes are being issued under an Indenture dated September 25, 2015 (the "Base Indenture"), by and among CoreCivic, Inc. and Regions Bank, as successor to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee (the "Trustee"), as supplemented and amended by a Third Supplemental Indenture dated April 14, 2021 (the "Supplemental Indenture" and, together with the Base Indenture, the "Indenture"), by and among CoreCivic, Inc., the other guarantors party thereto, and the Trustee. The Notes are being guaranteed by the Oklahoma Guarantors on a senior unsecured basis pursuant to the guarantee included in the Indenture (the "Guarantee").

#### **Documents Reviewed**

We have reviewed the following documents:

- (i) Indenture;
  - (ii) Underwriting Agreement dated April 7, 2021, between CoreCivic, Inc. and Imperial Capital LLC, as representative of the underwriters named therein (the "Underwriting Agreement");
  - (iii) Registration Statement on Form S-3ASR (No. 333-255070) (as amended, the "Registration Statement") by CoreCivic, Inc., a Maryland corporation, and the subsidiary guarantors listed in the Registration Statement, and the base prospectus contained therein as supplemented by the prospectus supplement, dated April 7, 2021 (collectively, the "Prospectus");
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- (iv) Articles of Organization of the Oklahoma Guarantors as certified by the Oklahoma Secretary of State on April 5, 2021;
- (v) Operating Agreements of the Oklahoma Guarantors as certified by the sole member of the Oklahoma Guarantors as of April 6, 2021;
- (vi) Written consent of each of the sole members of the Oklahoma Guarantors as certified by Damon T. Hininger, the Chief Executive Officer of each of the sole member of each of the Oklahoma Guarantors, as of April 6, 2021; and
- (vii) Certificates regarding the good standing of the Oklahoma Guarantors issued by the Oklahoma Secretary of State on April 9, 2021.

### **Opinions**

Based upon the foregoing, it is our opinion that:

1. Each of the Oklahoma Guarantors validly exists as a limited liability company in good standing in Oklahoma.
2. Each of the Oklahoma Guarantors has the limited liability company power to execute and deliver the Underwriting Agreement and the Indenture to which it is a party and to perform its respective obligations thereunder, including its guarantee of the Notes.
3. Each of the Oklahoma Guarantors has duly authorized the execution, delivery, and performance of the Underwriting Agreement and the Indenture to which it is a party by all necessary limited liability company action.
4. To the extent execution and delivery of the Supplemental Indenture and the Underwriting Agreement are covered by Oklahoma law, the Supplemental Indenture and the Underwriting Agreement have been duly executed and delivered by the Oklahoma Guarantors.

### **Qualifications, Limitations, Assumptions, and Exceptions**

The opinions in this letter are subject to the following qualifications, limitations, assumptions, and exceptions:

- (a) The opinion in 1 above is based solely on our review of the documents described in (iv) and (vii) above.
- (b) By “validly existing” in the opinion in 1 above we mean each Oklahoma Guarantor is a limited liability company under the Oklahoma Limited Liability Company Act.

(c) We have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the legal capacity of natural persons, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to original documents of all documents submitted to us as copies, and the authenticity of the originals of such copies.

(d) We have assumed the Oklahoma Guarantors have physically delivered the executed Supplemental Indenture and the executed Underwriting Agreement without condition and with the intention to be immediately bound by it.

(e) We have assumed that each of the persons whose consent is required to authorize the Oklahoma Guarantors to execute and deliver the Underwriting Agreement and Supplemental Indenture, (i) if an entity, exists in good standing under the law of the jurisdiction of its formation; and (ii) has taken all action necessary or received all necessary authorizations under any applicable organizational documents and applicable law to authorize the execution and delivery of the Underwriting Agreement and Supplemental Indenture by the Oklahoma Guarantors and the performance of their obligations thereunder.

(f) This opinion is based only on the laws of the State of Oklahoma. We express no opinion about the laws of any other state or jurisdiction.

(g) We have not been involved in the preparation of any registration statement or in the negotiation, preparation, or execution of any indentures or any of the related agreements executed or delivered in connection therewith. We have been retained solely for the purpose of rendering certain opinions under Oklahoma law. This opinion letter is provided as a legal opinion only, effective as of the date of this letter, and not as representations or warranties of fact.

The qualifications, limitations, assumptions, and exceptions in this letter are material to the opinions expressed in this letter, and the inaccuracy of any assumptions could render these opinions inaccurate.

We have prepared this opinion letter in accordance with customary practice for the preparation and interpretation of opinions of this type. We have assumed, and your acceptance of this letter shall confirm, that you (alone or with your counsel) are familiar with this customary practice.

The opinions expressed herein are solely for the benefit of the addressees hereof. This letter may also be relied upon by the successors and permitted assignees of the addressees of this letter subject to the conditions and understanding that (i) this letter speaks only as of the date hereof, (ii) we have no responsibility or obligation to update this letter, to consider its applicability or correctness to any person other than its addressee, or to take into account changes in law, facts, or any other developments of which we may later become aware (iii) any such reliance must be actual and reasonable under the circumstances existing at the time, including any circumstances relating to changes in law, facts, or any other developments known to or reasonably knowable by such party at such time, (iv) our consent to such reliance shall not constitute a reissuance of the opinions expressed in this letter or otherwise extend any statute of limitations period applicable to this letter on its date, and (v) in no event shall any such party have any greater rights with respect to this letter than the original addressee of this letter on its date. Copies of this letter may be delivered to, but not relied upon by, (x) independent accountants, attorneys, and other professional advisors acting on behalf of the addressees of this letter and their successors and permitted assignees in connection with the transactions referred to herein, (y) any regulatory agency having supervisory authority over an addressee, its successors or assignees, and (z) other parties as required by the order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

We consent to the filing of this opinion letter as an exhibit to the Registration Statement on or about the date hereof, to the incorporation by reference of this opinion letter into the Registration Statement, and to the reference to our firm in the Prospectus under the caption "Legal Matters." In giving this consent, we do not admit that we are within the category of persons whose consent is required by Section 7 of the Securities Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Very truly yours,

/s/ McAfee & Taft

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April 14, 2021

SENDER'S E-MAIL:  
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CoreCivic, Inc.  
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Re: 8.25% Senior Notes due 2026 of CoreCivic, Inc.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special Texas counsel to the entities listed on Schedule I (collectively, the “**Texas Subsidiary Guarantors**”), in connection with the Texas Subsidiary Guarantors’ guarantee of \$450,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 8.25% Senior Notes due 2026 (collectively, the “**Notes**”) to be issued by CoreCivic, Inc. (the “**Company**”). The Notes are being issued under a base indenture dated September 25, 2015 (the “**Base Indenture**”), by and between the Company and Regions Bank, as successor to U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the “**Trustee**”), as supplemented and amended by a third supplemental indenture dated as of April 14, 2021 (the “**Third Supplemental Indenture**”) and, together with the Base Indenture, the “**Indenture**”), by and among the Company, the other guarantors party thereto and the Trustee. The Notes are being guaranteed by the Texas Subsidiary Guarantors pursuant to the guarantee included in the Indenture (the “**Guarantee**”).

This opinion letter is being provided to you at the request of the Texas Subsidiary Guarantors in accordance with the requirements of Item 601(b)(5) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Act**”).

In rendering our opinions herein, we have relied with respect to factual matters, solely upon the Officers’ Certificates (defined below), and certificates of public officials referred to below. In addition thereto, we have reviewed and relied upon such records, documents, certificates and other instruments as in our judgment are necessary or appropriate to form the basis for rendering our opinions, including, without limitation, the following:

- (a) Third Supplemental Indenture;
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- (b) Underwriting Agreement dated April 7, 2021 (the “**Underwriting Agreement**”), among the Company, the guarantors party thereto and Imperial Capital, as representative of the several underwriters;
- (c) Certificate of Formation of ACS Corrections of Texas, L.L.C.;
- (d) Operating Agreement of ACS Corrections of Texas, L.L.C.;
- (e) Certificate of Formation of Avalon Corpus Christi Transitional Center, LLC;
- (f) Certificate of Amendment to Certificate of Formation of Avalon Corpus Christi Transitional Center, LLC;
- (g) Operating Agreement of Avalon Corpus Christi Transitional Center, LLC;
- (h) Certificate of Formation of Avalon Transitional Center Dallas, LLC;
- (i) Certificate of Amendment to Certificate of Formation of Avalon Transitional Center Dallas, LLC;
- (j) Operating Agreement of Avalon Transitional Center Dallas, LLC;
- (k) Certificate of Formation of EP Horizon Management, LLC;
- (l) Operating Agreement of EP Horizon Management, LLC;
- (m) Certificate of Filing of Recovery Monitoring Solutions Corporation;
- (n) Certificate of Amendment to the Certificate of Formation of Recovery Healthcare Corporation;
- (o) the Status Certificates (as defined in subpart (ii) below); and
- (p) the Evidences (as defined in subpart (iii) below).

Items (c) through (p) above are collectively referred to herein as the “**Corporate Documents.**”

In addition we have examined and relied upon the following:

- (i) with respect to each Texas Subsidiary Guarantor, certificates from the Secretary of such Texas Subsidiary Guarantor certifying in each instance as to true and correct copies of the certificate of formation and limited liability company agreement of such Texas Subsidiary Guarantor and resolutions of the sole member of such Texas Subsidiary Guarantor authorizing the Guarantees by such Texas Subsidiary Guarantor pursuant to the terms of the Third Supplemental Indenture and to perform their obligations under the Third Supplemental Indenture and with respect to the Texas Subsidiary Guarantor that is a corporation, a certificate of the Secretary of such Texas Subsidiary Guarantor certifying as to true and correct copies of the certificate of formation and By-Laws of such Texas Subsidiary Guarantor and resolutions of the board of directors of such Texas Subsidiary Guarantor authorizing the Guarantees by such Texas Subsidiary Guarantor pursuant to the terms of the Third Supplemental Indenture and to perform their obligations under the Third Supplemental Indenture (each an “**Officers’ Certificate**”);
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(ii) with respect to each Texas Subsidiary Guarantor, a certificate dated April 13, 2021, issued by the Office of the Secretary of State of Texas, attesting to the limited liability company status or corporate status, as the case may be, of such Texas Subsidiary Guarantor in Texas (collectively, the “**Status Certificates**”);

(iii) with respect to each Texas Subsidiary Guarantor, evidence of franchise tax account status, dated April 13, 2021, from the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas (collectively, the “**Evidences**”);

(iv) originals, or copies identified to our satisfaction as being true copies, of such other records, documents and instruments as we have deemed necessary for the purposes of this opinion letter;

(v) In rendering the opinions set forth below, we have, with your consent, relied only upon examination of the documents described above and have made no independent verification or investigation of the factual matters set forth herein or therein. We did not participate in the negotiation or preparation of the Third Supplemental Indenture or the Underwriting Agreement and have not advised the Texas Subsidiary Guarantors with respect to such documents or transactions contemplated thereby.

(vi) With your permission, as to questions of fact material to this Opinion and without independent verification with respect to the accuracy of such factual matters, we have relied upon the Third Supplemental Indenture, the Underwriting Agreement, certificates of public officials and of officers and representatives of the Texas Subsidiary Guarantors and the accuracy of the public record. We have made no independent investigation of any statements, warranties and representations made by the Texas Subsidiary Guarantors in the Third Supplemental Indenture, the Underwriting Agreement or any related matters. With the exception of the Corporate Documents, we have not examined the books and records of the Texas Subsidiary Guarantors.

#### **Assumptions Underlying Our Opinions**

For purposes of this Opinion, we have assumed, with your approval and without independent investigation, the following:

(a) No fraud, mistake, undue influence, duress or criminal activity exists with respect to the Corporate Documents, Underwriting Agreement, Third Supplemental Indenture or any of the matters relevant to the opinions rendered herein;

(b) The genuineness of all signatures;

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(c) The legal capacity of natural persons;

(d) The authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to original documents of all documents submitted to us as certified or photostatic copies; and

(e) The authenticity of the originals of such copies.

As to all questions of fact material to this opinion letter that have not been independently established, we have relied upon certificates or comparable documents of officers and representatives of the Texas Subsidiary Guarantors and have assumed that such matters remain true and correct through the date hereof.

### **Our Opinions**

Subject to the assumptions, exceptions and limitations hereinabove and hereinafter stated, it is our opinion that:

(1) Based solely upon its Status Certificate and the applicable Evidence, each Texas Subsidiary Guarantor is a validly existing limited liability company or corporation, as applicable, in good standing under the laws of the State of Texas.

(2) Each Texas Subsidiary Guarantor has the requisite limited liability company or corporate power and authority, as applicable, to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under the Underwriting Agreement and the Third Supplemental Indenture to which it is a party.

(3) The execution and delivery by each Texas Subsidiary Guarantor of the Third Supplemental Indenture and the Underwriting Agreement and the performance by each Texas Subsidiary Guarantor of its obligations thereunder have been duly authorized by all requisite limited liability company or corporate action, as applicable, on the part of each such Texas Subsidiary Guarantor.

(4) The Underwriting Agreement and the Third Supplemental Indenture have been duly executed and delivered by each Texas Subsidiary Guarantor.

### **Qualifications and Limitations**

This letter expresses our legal opinion as to the foregoing matters based on our professional judgment at this time based solely upon laws, rulings and regulations in effect on the date hereof; it is not, however, to be construed as a guaranty, nor is it a warranty that a court considering such matters would not rule in a manner contrary to the opinions set forth above.

We are qualified to practice law in the State of Texas, and we express no opinions as to the laws of other jurisdictions other than to the laws of the State of Texas, as currently in effect. We assume no obligation to supplement this opinion if any applicable laws change after the date hereof or if we become aware of any facts that might change the opinions expressed herein after the date hereof.

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Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, by acceptance of this Opinion Letter, you (and any person or entity relying on this letter and the opinions express herein) agree on behalf of yourself (and himself or itself) and all such parties' respective assignees that: (i) any claims in connection with this Opinion Letter and the opinions expressed herein shall be asserted only against Liechty, McGinnis, Berryman & Bowen, LLP (the "**Firm**") as the signer of this Opinion Letter and shall not be asserted against any of its partners, attorneys, or other employees; (ii) the Firm's aggregate maximum liability (whether arising from one event or set of circumstances or from multiple events and sets of circumstances) in connection with this Opinion Letter and the opinions expressed herein shall not exceed the amount of the recovery available under the Firm's errors and omissions insurance policy then in effect; (iii) in no event shall any punitive damages be available in any civil action or arbitration proceeding; and (iv) in the event of any dispute arising in connection with this Opinion Letter or the opinions expressed herein, before the commencement of any litigation, arbitration, or the pursuit of any claim, you shall first submit the dispute to nonbinding confidential mediation before a mediator mutually acceptable to you and the Firm in Dallas, Texas.

#### **Miscellaneous**

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion letter as an exhibit to CoreCivic's Current Report on Form 8-K relating to the Notes and the Guarantees and to the reference to our firm under the heading "Legal Matters" included in or made part of the registration statement on Form S-3ASR (No. 333-255070) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on April 6, 2021. In giving this consent, we do not hereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

We hereby authorize the Trustee to rely on the opinions set forth in Paragraphs numbers (1)-(4) in the "Our Opinions" section of this Opinion Letter, subject to all the conditions, assumptions, limitation, qualifications and exceptions set forth in this Opinion Letter, as though, for purposes of such paragraphs, this Option Letter was addressed to the Trustee and delivered to the Trustee on the date hereof.

Very truly yours,

LIECHTY, MCGINNIS, BERRYMAN & BOWEN, LLP, a Texas limited liability partnership

By: /s/ Liechty, McGinnis, Berryman & Bowen, LLP

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Schedule I

Texas Subsidiary Guarantors

<u>Name of Texas Subsidiary Guarantor</u>	<u>State of Organization</u>
ACS Corrections of Texas, L.L.C.	TX
Avalon Corpus Christi Transitional Center, LLC	TX
Avalon Transitional Center Dallas, LLC	TX
EP Horizon Management, LLC	TX
Recovery Monitoring Solutions Corporation	TX

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