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# IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:

Dynamic Aerostructures LLC, et al.,

Debtors.<sup>1</sup>

Chapter 11

Case No. 25-10292 (LSS)

(Jointly Administered)

Hearing Date: Mar. 25, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. (ET) Obj. Deadline: Mar. 18, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. (ET)

# MOTION OF THE DEBTORS FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR INTERIM COMPENSATION <u>AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES OF PROFESSIONALS</u>

The above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (the "<u>Debtors</u>") hereby file this motion (the "<u>Motion</u>") for entry of an order, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit</u> <u>A</u> (the "<u>Proposed Order</u>"), pursuant to sections 105(a), 330, and 331 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "<u>Bankruptcy Code</u>"), Rule 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "<u>Bankruptcy Rules</u>"), and Rule 2016-1 of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "<u>Local Rules</u>"), establishing procedures for interim compensation and reimbursement of the expenses of professionals. In support of this Motion, the Debtors represent as follows:

# JURISDICTION AND VENUE

1. This Court has jurisdiction to consider the Motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, dated February 29, 2012. This is a core proceeding under 28 U.S.C.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number are: Dynamic Aerostructures LLC (3076); Dynamic Aerostructures Intermediate LLC (9800); and Forrest Machining LLC (3421). The Debtors' service address is 27756 Avenue Mentry, Valencia, California 91355.



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§ 157(b). Venue of these cases and this Motion in this district is proper under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

2. Pursuant to Local Rule 9013-1(f), the Debtors consent to the entry of a final order by the Court in connection with this Motion to the extent it is later determined that the Court, absent consent of the parties, cannot enter final orders or judgments consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution.

3. The legal predicates for the relief sought herein are sections 105(a), 330, and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 2016, and Local Rule 2016-1.

#### BACKGROUND

4. On February 26, 2025 (the "<u>Petition Date</u>"), each Debtor filed a voluntary petition for relief pursuant to chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors are operating their businesses and managing their properties as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. These chapter 11 cases are jointly administered for procedural purposes only pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b). No request for the appointment of a trustee or examiner has been made in these chapter 11 cases, and no official committee of unsecured creditors has been appointed in these chapter 11 cases.

5. The Debtors are a leading manufacturer and supplier of critical structural components and assemblies for the aerospace and defense industry. The Debtors specialize in complex, large-format structural airframe and wing components, large aluminum structures, and complex assemblies for key aerospace and defense customers such as Lockheed Martin, Northrop Grumman, and Boeing, among others. The Debtors have one of the largest independent aerospace and defense manufacturing sites in North America, operating out of 226,000 square feet across two facilities in Southern California.

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6. Additional factual background regarding the Debtors, including their business operations, their corporate and capital structure, and the events leading to the filing of these chapter 11 cases is set forth in detail in the *Declaration of Eric N. Ellis in Support of Debtors' Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Motions* [Docket No. 2] (the "<u>First Day Declaration</u>").

### **RELIEF REQUESTED**

8. Pursuant to section 327 of the Bankruptcy Code, the Debtors have filed or will file applications to retain the following bankruptcy professionals (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>' <u>Professionals</u>"): (a) Ropes & Gray LLP, as bankruptcy counsel to the Debtors; (b) Chipman Brown Cicero & Cole LLP, as bankruptcy co-counsel to the Debtors; (c) Berkeley Research Group, LLC, as financial advisor to the Debtors; (d) Configure Partners, LLC and Configure Partners Securities, LLC , as investment banker to the Debtors; and (e) Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC dba Verita Global, as the Debtors' administrative advisor. The Debtors may need to retain other professionals in these chapter 11 cases under section 327 of the Bankruptcy Code. Additionally, should an official committee of unsecured creditors (the "<u>Committee</u>") be appointed in these chapter 11 cases, such Committee may seek to retain counsel or other professionals to represent it in connection with these chapter 11 cases (collectively, and together with the Debtors' Professionals, the "<u>Professionals</u>"). Such professionals would likewise be subject to the compensation and reimbursement procedures set forth in this Motion.

#### PROPOSED COMPENSATION PROCEDURES

9. The Debtors propose that the payment of compensation and reimbursement of expenses of the Professionals (the "<u>Compensation Procedures</u>") be structured as follows:

(a) On or about the 15<sup>th</sup> day of each calendar month following the month for which compensation is sought, each Professional seeking interim allowance of its fees and expenses may file an application (including the relevant time entry and description and expense detail) with the Court pursuant to section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code for interim allowance of compensation for services rendered

and reimbursement of expenses incurred during the preceding month (a "Monthly Fee Application"), and serve a copy of such Monthly Fee Application by electronic or first class mail on the following parties: (i) proposed co-counsel to the Debtors, Ropes & Gray LLP, 1211 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036 (Attn: Gregg M. Galardi; email: gregg.galardi@ropesgray.com) and Chipman Brown Cicero & Cole LLP, 1313 N. Market Street, Suite 5400, Wilmington, DE 19801 (Attn: Mark L. Desgrosseilliers and Robert A. Weber; email: desgross@chipmanbrown.com and weber@chipmanbrown.com) and Chipman Brown Cicero & Cole LLP, 501 5th Ave., 15th Floor, New York, NY 10017 (Attn: Daniel G. Egan; email: egan@chipmanbrown.com); (ii) counsel to the DIP Lender, King & Spalding LLP, 1100 Louisiana St., Suite 4100, Houston, TX 77002 (Attn: Michael Fishel; email: mfishel@kslaw.com) and Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP, Rodney Square, 1000 North King Wilmington, DE 19801 (Attn: Kenneth J. Enos; Street, email: kenos@ycst.com); (iii) the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware, 844 King Street, Suite 2207, Lock Box 35, Wilmington, DE 19801 (Attn: Rosa Sierra-Fox; email: Rosa.Sierra-Fox@usdoj.gov); and (iv) counsel for any statutory committee appointed in these chapter 11 cases (collectively, the "Notice Parties"). Any Professional that fails to file a Monthly Fee Application for a particular month or months may subsequently submit a consolidated Monthly Fee Application that includes a request for compensation earned or expenses incurred during previous months. All Monthly Fee Applications shall comply with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, and applicable orders of the Court. The first Monthly Fee Application submitted by each Professional shall cover the period from the Petition Date through and including March 31, 2025.

- (b) Each Notice Party will have twenty-one (21) days after service of a Monthly Fee Application (the "<u>Objection Deadline</u>") to object to the requested fees and expenses in accordance with the procedures described in subparagraph below. Upon the expiration of the Objection Deadline, each Professional may file with the Court a certificate of no objection (a "<u>CNO</u>") with respect to the unopposed portion of the fees and expenses requested in its Monthly Fee Application. After a CNO is filed, the Debtors are authorized to pay the applicable Professional an amount (the "<u>Actual Monthly Payment</u>") equal to the lesser of (i) 80% of the fees and 100% of the expenses not subject to an Objection pursuant to subparagraph (c) below.
- (c) If any Notice Party objects to a Professional's Monthly Fee Application, it must, on or before the expiration of the Objection Deadline, file with the Court and serve on such Professional and each other Notice Party a written objection (an "<u>Objection</u>") so as to be received on or before the Objection Deadline. Any such Objection shall identify with specificity the objectionable fees and/or expenses, including the amount of such objected to fees and/or expenses, and the basis for such Objection. Thereafter, the objecting party and the affected

Professional may attempt to resolve the Objection on a consensual basis. If the parties are unable to reach a resolution within fifteen days after service of the Objection, the affected Professional may either: (i) file a response to the Objection with the Court, together with a request for payment of the difference, if any, between the Maximum Monthly Payment and the Actual Monthly Payment made to such Professional (the "<u>Incremental Amount</u>") or (ii) forego payment of the Incremental Amount until the next interim or final fee application hearing, at which time the Court will consider and rule on the Objection if requested by the parties.

- (d) With respect to the first three-month period after the Petition Date, and each subsequent three-month period, each Professional shall file with the Court and serve on the Notice Parties an application (an "Interim Fee Application") for interim allowance of compensation and reimbursement of expenses sought in the Monthly Fee Applications filed during each such three-month period (the "Interim Fee Period") pursuant to Section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Interim Fee Application must identify the covered Monthly Fee Applications and include any other information requested by the Court or required by the applicable Local Rules. Interim Fee Applications shall be filed with the Court and served on the Notice Parties within forty-five (45) days after the end of the applicable Interim Fee Period. Each Professional shall file its first Interim Fee Application on or before June 15, 2025, and the first Interim Fee Application shall cover the Interim Fee Period from the Petition Date through and including April 30, 2025. Objections, if any, to the Interim Fee Applications shall be filed and served upon the affected Professional and the Notice Parties so as to be received on or before the twenty-first day (or the next business day if such day is not a business day) following service of the Interim Fee Application.
- (e) The Debtors shall request that the Court schedule a hearing on Interim Fee Applications at least once every three months or at such other intervals as the Court deems appropriate. The Court, in its discretion, may approve an uncontested Interim Fee Application without the need for a hearing upon the Professional's filing of a CNO. Upon allowance by the Court of a Professional's Interim Fee Application, the Debtors shall be authorized to promptly pay such Professional all requested fees (including the 20% holdback) and expenses not previously paid.
- (f) The pendency of an Objection to payment of compensation or reimbursement of expenses shall not disqualify a Professional from the future payment of compensation or reimbursement of expenses pursuant to the Compensation Procedures.
- (g) Neither (i) the payment of or the failure to pay, in whole or in part, compensation for services and reimbursement of expenses under the Compensation Procedures nor (ii) the filing of or the failure to file an Objection to any Monthly Fee Application or Interim Fee Application will bind any party in interest or the Court with respect to the allowance of interim or final

applications for compensation for services and reimbursement of expenses of Professionals. All fees and expenses paid to Professionals in accordance with the Compensation Procedures are subject to disgorgement until final allowance by the Court.

- (h) Any Professional that fails to file a Monthly Fee Application or an Interim Fee Application when due shall be ineligible to receive further monthly or interim payments of fees or expenses with respect to any subsequent period until such time as a Monthly Fee Application or an Interim Fee Application covering the prior period is filed and served by the Professional. There shall be no other penalties for failing to file a Monthly Fee Application or an Interim Fee Application in a timely manner.
- (i) Professionals shall file final applications for compensation and reimbursement (collectively, the "<u>Final Fee Applications</u>") by such deadline as may be established in a confirmed chapter 11 plan or in an order of the Court. All Final Fee Applications shall comply with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, and applicable orders of the Court.
- (j) Copies of all Monthly Fee Applications, Interim Fee Applications, Final Fee Applications, and notices of any hearings thereon (each a "<u>Hearing Notice</u>") must be served upon only the Notice Parties. All other parties who file a request for service of notices pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002 shall be entitled to receive only a copy of a Hearing Notice in connection with each Monthly Fee Application, each Interim Fee Application, and each Final Fee Application. Notice given in accordance with this Order is deemed sufficient and adequate and in full compliance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the Local Rules.
- 10. The procedures described herein will enable all parties to closely monitor the costs

of administration. Moreover, such procedures will permit the Debtors to maintain a more predictable cash flow and an efficient cash management system.

11. The Debtors will include all payments made to Professionals in accordance with

the Compensation Procedures in their monthly operating reports identifying the amounts paid to each Professional.

# **BASIS FOR RELIEF**

12. Section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code provides, in relevant part, as follows:

A trustee, an examiner, a debtor's attorney, or any professional person employed under section 327 or 1103 of this title may apply to the court not more than once every 120 days after an order for relief in a case under this title, or more often if the court permits, for such compensation for services rendered before the date of such an application or reimbursement for expenses incurred before such date as is provided under section 330 of this title. After notice and a hearing, the court may allow and disburse to such applicant such compensation or reimbursement.

11 U.S.C. § 331.

13. Absent an order of the Court, section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code limits the Professionals rendering services in these chapter 11 cases to payment of fees and expenses to only three times per year.

14. Congress's intent in enacting section 331 is expressed unequivocally in the House

and Senate Reports accompanying enactment of the Bankruptcy Code:

The court may permit more frequent applications if the circumstances warrant, such as in very large cases where the legal work is extensive and merits more frequent payments. The court is authorized to allow and order disbursement to the applicant of compensation and reimbursement that is otherwise allowable under section 330.

S. REP. 95-989, 42, 1978 U.S.C.C.A.N. 5787, 5828; H.R. REP. 95-595, 330, 1978 U.S.C.C.A.N. 5963, 6287.

15. Section 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code provides, in relevant part, that "[t]he court may issue any order, process, or judgment that is necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions of this title." 11 U.S.C. § 105(a). Thus, the Court has the authority to enter an order establishing procedures for interim compensation and reimbursement of expenses.

16. The Compensation Procedures would promote efficiency and streamline the compensation process and enable the Court, the U.S. Trustee, and all other parties to monitor effectively the Professionals' fees and expenses incurred in these chapter 11 cases.

17. Moreover, implementing the Compensation Procedures is justified in these chapter11 cases because it presents complex issues that, together with the day-to-day administration of

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these chapter 11 cases, must be addressed by the Debtors' limited staff and resources. In addition, it is anticipated that several Professionals will be involved, such that absent streamlined compensation procedures, the professional fee application and review process could be burdensome on the Debtors, the Professionals, the Court, and other parties.

18. The Compensation Procedures will (i) substantially reduce the burden imposed on the Court by avoiding the need for the immediate review of Monthly Fee Applications, (ii) enable parties in interest to monitor more closely the costs of administering these chapter 11 cases, (iii) diminish undue financial burdens on the Professionals and avoid having Professionals fund the costs of the Debtors' chapter 11 cases, and (iv) permit the Debtors to better predict and manage their monthly cash needs.

19. Accordingly, the relief requested is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estate, and their creditors.

#### **NOTICE**

20. The Debtors will provide notice of this Motion to: (a) United States Trustee for the District of Delaware; (b) the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Delaware; (c) the state attorneys general for all states in which the Debtors conduct business; (d) the Internal Revenue Service; (e) the United States Securities and Exchange Commission; (f) the holders of the thirty (30) largest unsecured claims against the Debtors on a consolidated basis; (g) counsel to the DIP Lender; (h) counsel to the Prepetition Agent; and (i) any party that has requested notice pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002. The Debtors respectfully submit that, in light of the nature of the relief requested, no further notice is necessary.

#### **NO PRIOR REQUEST**

21. No previous request for the relief sought herein has been made to this Court or any other court.

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#### **CONCLUSION**

WHEREFORE, the Debtors respectfully request that this Court enter the Proposed Order, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>, granting the relief requested herein and such other and further relief as may be just and proper.

Dated: March 4, 2025 Wilmington, Delaware

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# EXHIBIT A

**Proposed Order** 

## IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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Debtors.<sup>1</sup>

Chapter 11

Case No. 25-10292 (LLS)

(Jointly Administered)

**Related Docket No.** 

## ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR INTERIM COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES OF PROFESSIONALS

Upon the motion (the "<u>Motion</u>")<sup>2</sup> of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (the "<u>Debtors</u>"), for entry of an order (this "<u>Order</u>") pursuant to sections 105(a), 330, and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 2016, and Local Rule 2016-1, establishing procedures for interim compensation and reimbursement of the expenses of professionals; and the Court having jurisdiction to consider the Motion and the relief requested therein pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, dated February 29, 2012; and the matter being a core proceeding within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2); and the Court being able to issue a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and venue of this proceeding and the Motion being proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and due and sufficient notice of the Motion having been given under the particular circumstances; and it appearing that no other or further notice is necessary; and it appearing that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used herein but not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest; and after due deliberation

thereon; and good and sufficient cause appearing therefor; it is hereby;

# ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is **GRANTED** as set forth herein.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in an order of this Court authorizing the retention of

a Professional, Professionals may seek interim payment of compensation and reimbursement of

expenses in accordance with the following Compensation Procedures:

- On or about the 15<sup>th</sup> day of each calendar month following the month for which (a) compensation is sought, each Professional seeking interim allowance of its fees and expenses may file an application (including the relevant time entry and description and expense detail) with the Court pursuant to section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code for interim allowance of compensation for services rendered and reimbursement of expenses incurred during the preceding month (a "Monthly Fee Application"), and serve a copy of such Monthly Fee Application by electronic or first class mail on the following parties: (i) proposed co-counsel to the Debtors, Ropes & Gray LLP, 1211 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036 (Attn: Gregg M. Galardi; email: gregg.galardi@ropesgray.com) and Chipman Brown Cicero & Cole LLP, 1313 N. Market Street, Suite 5400, Wilmington, DE 19801 (Attn: Mark L. Desgrosseilliers and Robert A. Weber; email: desgross@chipmanbrown.com and weber@chipmanbrown.com) and Chipman Brown Cicero & Cole LLP, 501 5th Ave., 15th Floor, New York, NY 10017 (Attn: Daniel G. Egan; email: egan@chipmanbrown.com); (ii) counsel to the DIP Lender, King & Spalding LLP, 1100 Louisiana St., Suite 4100, Houston, TX 77002 (Attn: Michael Fishel; email: mfishel@kslaw.com) and Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP, Rodney Square, 1000 North King Street, Wilmington, DE 19801 (Attn: Kenneth J. Enos; email: kenos@ycst.com); (iii) the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware, 844 King Street, Suite 2207, Lock Box 35, Wilmington, DE 19801 (Attn: Rosa Sierra-Fox; email: Rosa.Sierra-Fox@usdoj.gov); and (iv) counsel for any statutory committee appointed in these chapter 11 cases (collectively, the "Notice Parties"). Any Professional that fails to file a Monthly Fee Application for a particular month or months may subsequently submit a consolidated Monthly Fee Application that includes a request for compensation earned or expenses incurred during previous months. All Monthly Fee Applications shall comply with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, and applicable orders of the Court. The first Monthly Fee Application submitted by each Professional shall cover the period from the Petition Date through and including March 31, 2025.
- (b) Each Notice Party will have twenty-one (21) days after service of a Monthly

Fee Application (the "<u>Objection Deadline</u>") to object to the requested fees and expenses in accordance with the procedures described in subparagraph below. Upon the expiration of the Objection Deadline, each Professional may file with the Court a certificate of no objection (a "<u>CNO</u>") with respect to the unopposed portion of the fees and expenses requested in its Monthly Fee Application. After a CNO is filed, the Debtors are authorized to pay the applicable Professional an amount (the "<u>Actual Monthly Payment</u>") equal to the lesser of (i) 80% of the fees and 100% of the expenses requested in the Monthly Fee Application (the "<u>Maximum Monthly Payment</u>") or (ii) 80% of the fees and 100% of the expenses not subject to an Objection pursuant to subparagraph (c) below.

- If any Notice Party objects to a Professional's Monthly Fee Application, it (c) must, on or before the expiration of the Objection Deadline, file with the Court and serve on such Professional and each other Notice Party a written objection (an "Objection") so as to be received on or before the Objection Deadline. Any such Objection shall identify with specificity the objectionable fees and/or expenses, including the amount of such objected to fees and/or expenses, and the basis for such Objection. Thereafter, the objecting party and the affected Professional may attempt to resolve the Objection on a consensual basis. If the parties are unable to reach a resolution within fifteen days after service of the Objection, the affected Professional may either: (i) file a response to the Objection with the Court, together with a request for payment of the difference, if any, between the Maximum Monthly Payment and the Actual Monthly Payment made to such Professional (the "Incremental Amount") or (ii) forego payment of the Incremental Amount until the next interim or final fee application hearing, at which time the Court will consider and rule on the Objection if requested by the parties.
- (d) With respect to the first three-month period after the Petition Date, and each subsequent three-month period, each Professional shall file with the Court and serve on the Notice Parties an application (an "Interim Fee Application") for interim allowance of compensation and reimbursement of expenses sought in the Monthly Fee Applications filed during each such three-month period (the "Interim Fee Period") pursuant to Section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Interim Fee Application must identify the covered Monthly Fee Applications and include any other information requested by the Court or required by the applicable Local Rules. Interim Fee Applications shall be filed with the Court and served on the Notice Parties within forty-five (45) days after the end of the applicable Interim Fee Period. Each Professional shall file its first Interim Fee Application on or before June 15, 2025, and the first Interim Fee Application shall cover the Interim Fee Period from the Petition Date through and including April 30, 2025. Objections, if any, to the Interim Fee Applications shall be filed and served upon the affected Professional and the Notice Parties so as to be received on or before the twenty-first day (or the next business day if such day is not a business day) following service of the Interim Fee Application.

- (e) The Debtors shall request that the Court schedule a hearing on Interim Fee Applications at least once every three months or at such other intervals as the Court deems appropriate. The Court, in its discretion, may approve an uncontested Interim Fee Application without the need for a hearing upon the Professional's filing of a CNO. Upon allowance by the Court of a Professional's Interim Fee Application, the Debtors shall be authorized to promptly pay such Professional all requested fees (including the 20% holdback) and expenses not previously paid.
- (f) The pendency of an Objection to payment of compensation or reimbursement of expenses shall not disqualify a Professional from the future payment of compensation or reimbursement of expenses pursuant to the Compensation Procedures.
- (g) Neither (i) the payment of or the failure to pay, in whole or in part, compensation for services and reimbursement of expenses under the Compensation Procedures nor (ii) the filing of or the failure to file an Objection to any Monthly Fee Application or Interim Fee Application will bind any party in interest or the Court with respect to the allowance of interim or final applications for compensation for services and reimbursement of expenses of Professionals. All fees and expenses paid to Professionals in accordance with the Compensation Procedures are subject to disgorgement until final allowance by the Court.
- (h) Any Professional that fails to file a Monthly Fee Application or an Interim Fee Application when due shall be ineligible to receive further monthly or interim payments of fees or expenses with respect to any subsequent period until such time as a Monthly Fee Application or an Interim Fee Application covering the prior period is filed and served by the Professional. There shall be no other penalties for failing to file a Monthly Fee Application or an Interim Fee Application in a timely manner.
- (i) Professionals shall file final applications for compensation and reimbursement (collectively, the "<u>Final Fee Applications</u>") by such deadline as may be established in a confirmed Chapter 11 plan or in an order of the Court. All Final Fee Applications shall comply with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, and applicable orders of the Court.
- (j) Copies of all Monthly Fee Applications, Interim Fee Applications, Final Fee Applications, and notices of any hearings thereon (each a "<u>Hearing Notice</u>") must be served upon only the Notice Parties. All other parties who file a request for service of notices pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002 shall be entitled to receive only a copy of a Hearing Notice in connection with each Monthly Fee Application, each Interim Fee Application, and each Final Fee Application. Notice given in accordance with this Order is deemed sufficient and adequate and in full compliance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code,

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the Bankruptcy Rules, and the Local Rules.

3. The amount of fees and expenses sought in any request for compensation and reimbursement of expenses shall be stated in U.S. dollars (if applicable, calculated at the prevailing exchange rate on the date of submission of the relevant fee application).

4. All time periods set forth in this Order shall be calculated in accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 9006(a).

5. The Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted pursuant to this Order in accordance with the Motion.

6. The Court retains jurisdiction over any matter arising from or related to this Order, including its interpretation, construction, implementation, and enforcement.

## IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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Debtors.<sup>1</sup>

Chapter 11

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(Jointly Administered)

Hearing Date: 3/25/25 @ 11:00 a.m. (ET) Objection Deadline: 3/18/25 @ 4:00 p.m. (ET)

# NOTICE OF MOTION OF THE DEBTORS FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR INTERIM COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES OF PROFESSIONALS

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that on March 4, 2025, the above-captioned debtors and debtorsin-possession (the "**Debtors**") filed the attached *Motion of the Debtors for Entry of An Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Of Professionals* (the "**Motion**") with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "**Court**").

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that responses, if any, to the relief requested by the Motion, must be filed on or before **March 18, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. (ET)** (the "**Objection Deadline**") with the Court, 824 North Market Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Wilmington, Delaware 19801.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that at the same time, you must serve a copy of the response on: (i) proposed co-counsel to the Debtors, Ropes & Gray LLP, 1211 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036 (Attn: Gregg M. Galardi; email: gregg.galardi@ropesgray.com) and Chipman Brown Cicero & Cole LLP, 1313 N. Market Street, Suite 5400, Wilmington, DE 19801 Mark L. Desgrosseilliers and Robert A. Weber: (Attn: email: desgross@chipmanbrown.com and weber@chipmanbrown.com) and Chipman Brown Cicero & Cole LLP, 501 5th Ave., 15th Floor, New York, NY 10017 (Attn: Daniel G. Egan; email: egan@chipmanbrown.com); (ii) counsel to the DIP Lender, King & Spalding LLP, 1100 Louisiana St., Suite 4100, Houston, TX 77002 (Attn: Michael Fishel; email: mfishel@kslaw.com) and Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP, Rodney Square, 1000 North King Street, Wilmington, DE 19801 (Attn: Kenneth J. Enos; email: kenos@ycst.com); (iii) the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware, 844 King Street, Suite 2207, Lock Box 35, Wilmington, DE 19801 (Attn: Rosa Sierra-Fox; email: Rosa.Sierra-Fox@usdoj.gov); and (iv) counsel for any statutory committee appointed in these chapter 11 cases, so as to be received on or before the Objection Deadline.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number are: Dynamic Aerostructures LLC (3076); Dynamic Aerostructures Intermediate LLC (9800); and Forrest Machining LLC (3421). The Debtors' service address is 27756 Avenue Mentry, Valencia, California 91355.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that a hearing on the relief requested by the Motion will be held on **March 25, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. (ET)** before the Honorable Laurie Selber Silverstein, in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware, 824 North Market Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Courtroom 2, Wilmington, Delaware 19801.

# PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT IF NO OBJECTIONS TO THE RELIEF REQUESTED BY THE MOTION ARE TIMELY FILED, SERVED, AND RECEIVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS NOTICE, THE BANKRUPTCY COURT MAY GRANT THE BID PROCEDURES RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE MOTION WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE OR HEARING.

Dated: March 4, 2025 Wilmington, Delaware

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