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#### UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI SOUTHEASTERN DIVISION

	§	Chapter 11
In re:	§	
	Ş	Case No. 20-43597-399
<b>BRIGGS &amp; STRATTON</b>	§	
CORPORATION, et al.,	§	(Jointly Administered)
	Ş	
Debtors.	Ş	Hearing Date: January 13, 2022
	§	Hearing Time: 2:00 p.m. (Central Time)
	Ş	Hearing Location: Courtroom 5 North
	§	111 S. 10th St., St. Louis, MO 63102

#### NOTICE OF THE PLAN ADMINISTRATOR'S THIRTY-FIRST OMNIBUS OBJECTION TO CLAIMS (PARTIALLY SATISFIED)

THIS IS AN OBJECTION TO YOUR CLAIM. THE OBJECTING PARTY IS ASKING THE COURT TO REDUCE THE CLAIM THAT YOU FILED IN THESE BANKRUPTCY CASES.

IF YOU CHOOSE TO RESPOND, A WRITTEN RESPONSE MUST BE FILED WITH THE CLERK OF COURT, U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT, 111 SOUTH TENTH STREET, 4TH FLOOR, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI 63102, AND A COPY SERVED UPON COUNSEL TO THE PLAN ADMINISTRATOR, (A) HALPERIN BATTAGLIA BENZIJA LLP, 40 WALL STREET, 37<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR, NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10005 (ATTN: JULIE DYAS GOLDBERG, ESQ. AND CARRIE E. ESSENFELD, ESQ.) AND (B) CARMODY MACDONALD P.C., 120 S. CENTRAL AVENUE, SUITE 1800, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI 63105 (ATTN: DORMIE KO, ESQ.), SO THAT THE RESPONSE IS RECEIVED <u>NO LATER THAN 11:59 P.M. (PREVAILING CENTRAL TIME) ON</u> JANUARY 6, 2022.

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#### Important Information Regarding the Objection

1. <u>Grounds for the Objection</u>. By this Objection,<sup>1</sup> the Plan Administrator, on behalf of the Wind-Down Estates of the Debtors, is seeking to reduce the claims identified on <u>Exhibit A</u> attached to the proposed order (individually, a "Claim" and collectively, the "Claims").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the Debtors' Second Amended Joint Plan (the "**Plan**").



#### **Resolving the Objection**

2. <u>Parties Required to File a Response</u>. If you disagree with the Objection filed with respect to any of your Claims, you may file a response (each, a "**Response**") with the Court in accordance with the procedures described below and appear at the Hearing (as defined herein).

3. <u>Response Contents</u>. Each Response should contain the following (at a

minimum):

- a. a caption stating the name of the Court, the name of the Debtors, the case number, and the Objection and Claim or Claims within the Objection to which the Response is directed;
- b. a concise statement setting forth the reasons why the Court should not grant the Objection with respect to such Claim(s), including the factual and legal bases upon which you rely in opposing the Objection;
- c. copies of documentation or other evidence of your Claim (not previously filed with proof of such Claim) on which your Response is based (excluding confidential, proprietary, or other protected information, copies of which must be provided to the counsel to the Plan Administrator, subject to appropriate confidentiality constraints, if any); and
- d. the following contact information:
  - (i) your name, address, telephone number, and email address or the name, address, telephone number, and email address of your attorney or designated representative to whom the attorneys for the Plan Administrator should serve a reply to the Response, if any; or
  - (ii) the name, address, telephone number, and email address of the party with authority to reconcile, settle, or otherwise resolve the Objection on your behalf (to the extent different from the information detailed in paragraph 3(d)(i) above).

4. <u>Response Deadline</u>. Your Response must be filed with the Court and served so as to be *actually received* by 11:59 p.m. (Central Time) on January 6, 2022 (the "Response Deadline").

5. <u>Failure to Respond</u>. A Response that is not filed and served in accordance with the procedures set forth herein may not be considered by the Court at the Hearing. Absent an agreement with the Plan Administrator resolving the Objection to a Claim, failure to timely file and serve a Response as set forth herein and appear at the

**Hearing may result in the Court granting the Objection without further notice or hearing**. Upon entry of an order, you will be served with a notice of entry, and a copy, of the order.

#### Hearing on the Objection

6. <u>Date, Time, and Location</u>. If necessary, a hearing (the "Hearing") on the Objection will be held on January 13, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. (Central Time) in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Missouri, 5th Floor, North Courtroom, Thomas F. Eagleton United States Courthouse, 111 South Tenth Street, St. Louis, Missouri. Such Hearing may be adjourned from time to time in these chapter 11 cases in the Plan Administrator's sole discretion. You must attend the Hearing if you disagree with the Objection and have filed a Response. If you file a Response in accordance with the response procedures herein, but such Response is not resolved prior to the Hearing, and you appear at the Hearing, the Objection may be heard at the Hearing or adjourned to a subsequent hearing in the Plan Administrator's sole discretion. If a subsequent hearing is determined to be necessary, the Plan Administrator will file with the Court and serve you with a notice of the subsequent hearing (the date of which will be determined in consultation with the affected claimant(s)).

#### **Additional Information**

7. <u>Questions or Information</u>. Copies of the pleadings (collectively, the "Pleadings") filed in these chapter 11 cases are available at no cost at the Debtors' case website <u>http://www.kccllc.net/Briggs</u>. You may also obtain copies of any of the Pleadings filed in these chapter 11 cases for a fee at the Court's website at <u>https://pcl.uscourts.gov/pcl/</u>. A login identification and password to the Court's Public Access to Court Electronic Records ("PACER") are required to access this information and can be obtained through the PACER Service Center at http://www.pacer.psc.uscourts.gov.

#### **Reservation of Rights**

NOTHING IN ANY OMNIBUS OBJECTION OR OBJECTION NOTICE IS INTENDED OR SHALL BE DEEMED TO CONSTITUTE (I) AN ADMISSION AS TO THE VALIDITY OF ANY PREPETITION CLAIM AGAINST A DEBTOR; (II) A WAIVER OF ANY PARTY'S RIGHT TO DISPUTE ANY PREPETITION CLAIM ON ANY GROUNDS; (III) A PROMISE OR REQUIREMENT TO PAY ANY PREPETITION CLAIM; (IV) AN IMPLICATION OR ADMISSION THAT ANY PARTICULAR CLAIM IS OF A TYPE SPECIFIED OR DEFINED IN THE MOTION OR ANY ORDER GRANTING THE RELIEF REQUESTED BY THE MOTION; (V) A REQUEST OR AUTHORIZATION TO ASSUME ANY PREPETITION AGREEMENT, CONTRACT, OR LEASE PURSUANT TO SECTION 365 OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE; OR (VI) A WAIVER OF THE PLAN ADMINISTRATOR'S RIGHTS UNDER THE BANKRUPTCY CODE OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE LAW.

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Dated: November 22, 2021 St. Louis, Missouri

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#### EXHIBIT A

**Schedule of Claims** 

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### Exhibit A Briggs & Stratton Corp., et al.

Claimant Name and Address	Case Number	Debtor Name	Claim Number	Date Filed	Asser Claim Amount		As Stip Claim Amount		Modified Clain Prio		<b>Basis for Propose</b> <b>Modification</b>
1) Pro Metal Works, Inc.	20-10575	Billy Goat Industries, Inc.	73	10/1/2020		\$0.00	Secured:	\$0.00	Secured:	\$0.00	Partially satisfie
, <u> </u>		2	10	10/1/2020	Administrative:	\$9,216.00	Administrative:	\$9,216.00	Administrative:	\$0.00	5
Attn T. Carroll					Priority:	\$0.00	Priority:	\$0.00	Priority:	\$0.00	
804 Burton Blvd.					Unsecured:	\$23,418.72	Unsecured:	\$23,418.72	Unsecured:	\$23,418.72	
Deforest, WI 53532					Total:	\$32,634.72	Total:	\$32,634.72	Total:	\$23,418.72	
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) A.B. Boyd Co.	20-43597	Briggs & Stratton Corporation	294	10/2/2020		\$0.00	Secured:	\$0.00	Secured:		Partially satisified
Attn Robert A. Breidenbach					Administrative:	\$65,835.00	Administrative:	\$65,835.00	Administrative:	\$0.00 \$0.00	
Goldstein & Pressman, P.C.					Priority: Unsecured:	\$0.00 \$31,079.00	Priority: Unsecured:	\$0.00 \$31,079.00	Priority: Unsecured:	\$0.00	
7777 Bonhomme Ave., Ste. 1910					Total:	\$96,914.00	Total:	\$96,914.00	Total:	\$31,079.00	
Clayton, MO 63105					Total.	ψ90,914.00	Total.	\$70,714.00	10(41.	\$51,077.00	
) Aavid Allcast LLC	20-43597	Briggs & Stratton Corporation	295	10/2/2020	Secured:	\$0.00	Secured:	\$0.00	Secured:	\$0.00	Partially satisified
	20 10077		_>0	- <i>- , - , - , - , - , - , - , - , - , -</i>	Administrative:	\$51,372.00	Administrative:	\$51,372.00	Administrative:	\$0.00	
C/O Robert A. Breidenbach					Priority:	\$0.00	Priority:	\$0.00	Priority:	\$0.00	
Goldstein & Pressman, P.C.					Unsecured:	\$131,728.58	Unsecured:	\$58,488.35	Unsecured:	\$58,488.35	
7777 Bonhomme Ave., Ste. 1910					Total:	\$183,100.58	Total:	\$109,860.35	Total:	\$58,488.35	
Clayton, MO 63105											
) Curtis Machine Company, Inc.	20-43597	Briggs & Stratton Corporation	437	12/21/2020	Secured:	\$0.00	Secured:	\$0.00	Secured:	\$0.00	Partially satisified
					Administrative:	\$47,182.00	Administrative:	\$47,182.00	Administrative:	\$0.00	
4209 Jayhawk Drive					Priority:	\$0.00	Priority:	\$0.00	Priority:	\$0.00	
PO Box 700					Unsecured:	\$19,296.90	Unsecured:	\$19,296.90	Unsecured:	\$19,296.90	
Dodge City, KS 67801					Total:	\$66,478.90	Total:	\$66,478.90	Total:	\$19,296.90	
) Ningbo Hijet Cleaning Equipment Co., Ltd	20-43597	Briggs & Stratton Corporation	2078	10/5/2020	Secured	\$0.00	Secured:	n/a	Secured:	\$0.00	Partially satisified
) Ningbo Thjet Cleaning Equipment Co., Etu	20-43397	Briggs & Stratton Corporation	2078	10/ 3/ 2020	Administrative:	\$107,992.17	Administrative:	n/a	Administrative:	\$0.00	I artially satisfied
No.168 Dongming Road					Priority:	\$0.00	Priority:	n/a	Priority:	\$0.00	
Zhenhai Economic Development Zone					Unsecured:	\$200,071.84	Unsecured:	n/a	Unsecured:	\$200,071.84	
Ningbo, Zheijang 315221					Total:	\$308,064.01	Total:	n/a	Total:	\$200,071.84	
China											
Pro Metal Works, Inc.	20-43597	Briggs & Stratton Corporation	978	10/1/2020	Secured:	\$0.00	Secured:	\$0.00	Secured:	\$0.00	Partially satisfie
					Administrative:	\$22,945.51	Administrative:	\$22,496.51	Administrative:	\$0.00	
Attn T. Carroll					Priority:	\$0.00	Priority:	\$0.00	Priority:	\$0.00	
804 Burton Blvd.					Unsecured:	\$158,021.75	Unsecured:	\$0.00	Unsecured:	\$158,021.75	
Deforest, WI 53532-1286					Total:	\$180,967.26	Total:	\$22,496.51	Total:	\$158,021.75	
Slidematic Precision Components Inc	20-43597	Briggs & Stratton Corporation	161	11/19/2020	Secured	\$0.00	Secured:	\$0.00	Secured:	\$0.00	Partially satisfie
, succlass recision components me	20 <sup>-</sup> 7 <i>3371</i>	21156 a Stration Corporation	101	11/17/2020	Administrative:	\$31,171.97	Administrative:	\$6,447.85	Administrative:	\$0.00	Juliy SuliSile
1303 Samuelson Road					Priority:	\$0.00	Priority:	\$0.00	Priority:	\$0.00	
Rockford, IL 61109					Unsecured:	\$80,555.30	Unsecured:	\$0.00	Unsecured:	\$80,555.30	
					Total:	\$111,727.27	Total:	\$6,447.85	Total:	\$80,555.30	
				0 10 0 10 0		<b>*</b> *	a :	<b>**</b>	a :	<b>* *</b> * *	D 11 7
) UFP Technologies, Inc.	20-43597	Briggs & Stratton Corporation	722	9/23/2020	Secured: Administrative:	\$0.00 \$106,326.49	Secured: Administrative:	\$0.00 \$22,920.21	Secured: Administrative:	\$0.00 \$0.00	Partially satisfie
Attn Robert A. Breidenbach					Priority:	\$0.00	Priority:	\$0.00	Priority:	\$0.00	
Goldstein & Pressman, PC					Unsecured:	\$46,022.53	Unsecured:	\$46,022.53	Unsecured:	\$46,022.53	
7777 Bonhomme Ave., Suite 1910					Total:	\$152,349.02	Total:	\$68,942.74	Total:	\$46,022.53	
Clayton, MO 63105											

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Alan D. Halperin as Plan Administrator (the "Plan Administrator") under the

Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Briggs & Stratton Corporation and its Affiliated Debtors,

dated November 9, 2020 [Docket No. 1226] (the "Plan"),<sup>1</sup> respectfully represents as follows in

support of this omnibus objection to claims (the "Objection") on grounds that such claims

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the Plan.

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should be reduced because such claims have been partially satisfied (collectively, the "**Claims**"). Accordingly, attached hereto as <u>**Exhibit** A</u> are those Claims where the Plan Administrator seeks to reduce the amount of claim.

In further support of the Objection, attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u> is the Declaration of Alan D. Halperin in Support of the Plan Administrator's Thirty-First Omnibus Objection to Claims (Partially Satisfied) (the "Halperin Claims Declaration"):

#### **Background**

1. On July 20, 2020 (the "**Petition Date**"), the Debtors each commenced with this Court a voluntary case under title 11 of the United States Code (the "**Bankruptcy Code**"). The Debtors are authorized to continue to operate their business and manage their properties as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.

2. On August 5, 2020, the United States Trustee appointed an official committee of unsecured creditors (the "**Creditors' Committee**") in these chapter 11 cases pursuant to section 1102 of the Bankruptcy Code. No trustee or examiner has been appointed in these chapter 11 cases. The Debtors' chapter 11 cases are being jointly administered for procedural purposes only pursuant to Rule 1015(b) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "**Bankruptcy Rules**") and Rule 1015(b) of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure for the Eastern District of Missouri (the "**Local Rules**").

3. On September 15, 2020, the Court entered an order authorizing the Debtors to sell substantially all of their assets<sup>2</sup> to Bucephalus Buyer, LLC and on September 21,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Order (I) Authorizing the Sale of the Assets and Equity Interests to the Purchaser Free and Clear of Liens, Claims, Interests, and Encumbrances; (II) Authorizing the Assumption and Assignment of Certain Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases; and (III) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 898].

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2020, the Debtors closed the Sale Transaction.<sup>3</sup> On December 16, 2020, the Debtors filed the Plan, which was confirmed by the *Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order Confirming the Plan* on December 18, 2020 [Docket No. 1485].

4. The Effective Date of the Plan occurred on January 6, 2021 and the *Notice of Entry of Order Confirming the Plan and Occurrence of the Effective Date* [Docket No. 1538] was filed, at which time the Creditors' Committee was relieved of its duties and the Plan Administrator took over the administration of the Wind-Down Estates in accordance with the Plan. The Wind-Down Estates continue to honor their post-closing sale obligations, wind down the estates, and otherwise work on concluding these chapter 11 cases.

5. On February 12, 2020, the Bankruptcy Court entered that certain Order Approving (I) Claims Objection Procedures; (II) Claims Hearing Procedures; and (III) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 1614] (the "Omnibus Procedures Order") which, among other things, increased the number of claims authorized to be filed in an omnibus claim objection such as this Objection to three hundred fifty (350) claims.

#### **Jurisdiction**

6. The Court has jurisdiction to consider this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b). Venue is proper before the Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

#### **Relief Requested**

7. Pursuant to section 502(b) of title 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 3007(d)(6), and Local Rule 3007(C), the Plan Administrator respectfully requests entry of an order (the "**Proposed Order**"),<sup>4</sup> reducing the Claims listed on <u>Exhibit A</u>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Notice of (I) Filing of Amendment to Stock and Asset Purchase Agreement, and (II) the Occurrence of Closing of the Sale Transaction [Docket No. 964].

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#### **Claims Reconciliation**

8. On August 23, 2020, the Debtors filed their schedules of assets, liabilities, current income, expenditures, executory contracts, and unexpired leases and statements of financial affairs, as required by section 521 of the Bankruptcy Code [Docket Nos. 555–559] (collectively, the "**Schedules**").

9. On August 24, 2020, the Court entered an order [Docket No. 564] (the "**Bar Date Order**") which, among other things, established (a) October 7, 2020 as the deadline for all non-governmental entities holding or wishing to assert a "claim" (as defined in section 101(5) of the Bankruptcy Code) against any of the Debtors that arose before the Petition Date to file a proof of such claim in writing, and (b) January 19, 2021 as the deadline for all governmental entities holding or wishing to assert a "claim" against any of the Debtors that arose before the the to file a proof of such claim in writing.

10. As of the date hereof, approximately 3,000 proofs of claim (the "**Proofs of Claim**") have been filed against the Debtors. The Plan Administrator and his advisors have been working diligently to review these Proofs of Claim, including any supporting documentation filed therewith. For the reasons set forth below, and based on their review to date, the Plan Administrator has determined that the Claims objected to herein should be reduced.

11. The Plan Administrator's professionals and consultants have maintained books and records that reflect, among other things, the Debtors' liabilities and the amounts thereof owed to their creditors (the "**Books and Records**"). The Plan Administrator and his professionals are reviewing and reconciling Proofs of Claim filed by creditors with the Books and Records and the Schedules. In connection therewith, the Plan Administrator and his

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Copies of the Proposed Order will be made available on the Debtors' case information website at http://www.kccllc.net/Briggs.

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professionals have reviewed the Claims filed by individuals and entities listed on **Exhibit A** hereto (collectively, the "**Claimants**") and concluded each Claim is appropriately objected to on the basis set forth below.

#### **Relief Requested Should Be Granted**

12. Pursuant to section 502 of the Bankruptcy Code, "[a] claim or interest, proof of which is filed under section 501 of [the Bankruptcy Code], is deemed allowed, unless a party in interest . . . objects." 11 U.S.C. § 502(a). Bankruptcy Rule 3001(f) provides that a properly executed and filed proof of claim constitutes *prima facie* evidence of the validity and amount of the claim under section 502(a) of the Bankruptcy Code. FED. R. BANKR. P. 3001(f). The act of filing an objection alone "does not deprive the proof of claim of presumptive validity unless the objection is supported by substantial evidence." In re Austin, 538 B.R. 543, 545 (Bankr. E.D. Mo. 2015) (citing In re McDaniel, 264 B.R. 531, 533 (B.A.P. 8th Cir. 2001)). If the objection presents evidence "rebutting the claim," then "the claimant must produce additional evidence to prove the validity of the claim by a preponderance of the evidence." In re Austin, 538 B.R. at 545 (citing In re Gran, 964 F.2d 822, 827 (8th Cir. 1992)); see also In re Peabody Energy Corp., Case No. 16-42529 (BSS), 2017 WL 4570700, at \*7 (Bankr. E.D. Mo. Oct. 12, 2017); In re Seagraves, Case No. 12-49433 (BSS), 2015 WL 2026707, at \*2 (Bankr. E.D. Mo. Apr. 30, 2015); Dove-Nation v. eCast Settlement Corp. (In re Dove-Nation), 318 B.R. 147, 152 (B.A.P. 8th Cir. 2004) (citing In re Innovative Software Designs, Inc., 253 B.R. 40, 44 (B.A.P. 8th Cir. 2000)).

13. The Plan Administrator is objecting to the Claims listed on  $\underline{\text{Exhibit A}}$  because the Plan Administrator believes that such Claims have been partially satisfied in accordance with one or more orders of this Court. After reviewing each Claim together with the Books and

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Records and consulting with certain of the Debtors' former principals, the Plan Administrator has determined that the amount of each Claim should be reduced as set forth on **Exhibit A**.

#### **Reservation of Rights**

14. Nothing contained herein is intended to be or shall be deemed as (i) an admission as to the validity of any claim against the Debtors or the Wind-Down Estates, (ii) a waiver or limitation of rights to dispute the amount of, basis for, or validity of any claim, (iii) a waiver of rights under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable nonbankruptcy law, (iv) an agreement or obligation to pay any claims, (v) a waiver of any claims or causes of action which may exist against any creditor or interest holder, or (vi) an approval, assumption, adoption, or rejection of any agreement, contract, lease, program, or policy under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code.

#### <u>Notice</u>

15. Notice of this Objection will be provided to (i) the Office of the United States Trustee for the Eastern District of Missouri (Attn: Sirena Wilson, Esq.); (ii) the Claimant; (iii) any other party that has requested notice pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002; and (iv) any other party entitled to notice pursuant to the Omnibus Procedures Order (collectively, the "**Notice Parties**").

#### **No Previous Request**

16. No previous request for the relief sought herein has been made by the Debtors or the Plan Administrator to this or any other court.

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WHEREFORE, the Plan Administrator respectfully requests entry of the

Proposed Order granting the relief requested herein and such other and further relief as the Court

may deem just and appropriate.

Dated: November 22, 2021 St. Louis, Missouri

Respectfully submitted,

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#### EXHIBIT B

Halperin Claims Declaration

#### UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI SOUTHEASTERN DIVISION

	§	Chapter 11
In re:	§	
	§	Case No. 20-43597-399
<b>BRIGGS &amp; STRATTON</b>	Ş	
CORPORATION, et al.,	Ş	(Jointly Administered)
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Debtors.	§	

#### DECLARATION OF ALAN D. HALPERIN IN SUPPORT OF THE PLAN ADMINISTRATOR'S THIRTY-FIRST OMNIBUS OBJECTION TO CLAIMS (PARTIALLY SATISFIED)

I, Alan D. Halperin, solely in my capacity as Plan Administrator in the abovereferenced cases, make this declaration (the "**Declaration**") under 28 U.S.C. § 1746:

1. I am the Plan Administrator of the Wind-Down Estates of Briggs & Stratton Corporation and its affiliated debtors (the "**Debtors**").<sup>1</sup>

2. Except as otherwise indicated, this Declaration is based upon my personal knowledge; my review of relevant documents (including, but not limited to, the Claims and the Objection); information provided to me by: (i) a former officer of the Debtors with whom the Wind-Down Estates have entered into a consulting agreement, (ii) former employees that were transferred to the Purchaser and who provide claims reconciliation services to the Debtors pursuant to a transition services agreement with the Purchaser, (iii) the Debtors' legal and financial advisors, and/or (iv) my legal counsel and such professionals working directly with me or under my supervision, direction, or control; or my opinion, based upon my experience, knowledge, and information concerning the Debtors' operations. If called upon to testify, I would testify competently to the facts set forth herein. I am authorized to submit this Declaration on behalf of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Objection.

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the Wind-Down Estates, in support of *The Plan Administrator's Thirty-First Omnibus Objection* to Claims (Partially Satisfied) (the "**Objection**").

3. To the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, the assertions made in the Objection are accurate. I can confirm that the Debtors' advisors have examined each Claim, all documentation provided by the Claimant with respect to each Claim, the Debtors' respective Books and Records, and the Schedules, and have determined that each Claim should be reduced on the basis that it has been partially satisfied.

4. I declare under penalty of perjury that, to the best of my knowledge and after reasonable inquiry, the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: November 22, 2021

/s/ Alan D. Halperin

Alan D. Halperin Solely in His Capacity as Plan Administrator